

Immersion Experience 1

Date: Wednesday 19 February 2025

Time: 9am - 12.30pm

Location: Thomas Dixon Centre

Queensland Ballet invites students to an inspiring, curriculum-aligned Immersion Experience at the Thomas Dixon Centre, combining exclusive behind-the-scenes access with interactive workshops and Q&A sessions with industry professionals. This experience offers students the chance to observe Company dancers, delve into professional dance practices, and participate in sessions exploring areas like dancer health, production, and design. This immersive experience enriches classroom learning and sparks inspiration in aspiring artists.

What to Expect

- **View a Company Class or Rehearsal:** Witness Queensland Ballet's Company dancers in action, applying their refined technical and expressive skills. This experience offers students a rare insight into the discipline and artistry involved in professional dance, enhancing their understanding of the art form.
- **Exclusive Access to Thomas Dixon Centre:** Students tour the newly refurbished home of Queensland Ballet, exploring areas such as the Talbot Theatre, rehearsal studios, and production spaces. This exclusive access to the centre's creative and technical facilities provides an inside look at the world of a professional dance company, highlighting the collaborative effort behind each performance.
- **Curriculum-Aligned Dance Workshops:** Engage in a hands-on dance class or workshop designed to complement classroom learning and, where possible, tailored to the current unit of work or area of interest. These practical sessions align with curriculum goals, ensuring the experience is a meaningful addition to students' educational journeys.
- **Personalised Q&A with Industry Professionals:** Students participate in a Q&A with Queensland Ballet staff from departments such as Dancer Health, Wardrobe, Technical Production, Design, or Artistic. This tailored interaction provides students with insights into various career paths in the dance industry, as well as valuable advice and knowledge from those working behind the scenes.
- **Inspiration for Aspiring Artists:** Exposure to the professional environment and creative process at Queensland Ballet serves as a powerful inspiration, encouraging students to explore their own artistic ambitions.

Aligned with the ACARA Version 9 Dance curriculum, this Immersion Experience supports the General Capabilities of Critical and Creative Thinking and Personal and Social Understanding. It offers students a dynamic, holistic learning opportunity that nurtures creativity, curiosity, and collaboration in the arts.