

As a charity, ZooNation is driven by a mission to make theatre accessible, engaging and relevant to a younger audience and needs philanthropic contributions to do this.

**We invite those who want to bring about long-term change to join our Friends Circle and support our ZooNation Youth Company (ZYC).**

Through ZYC we provide three hours of **training** each week and professional **performance opportunities** to 15 young people, drawn from across the country. It costs £25,000 per year to cover the company's teaching, artistic direction, studio hire, management and costumes.

We **guide** young people from being talented hobbyists to professionals. Our youth company members benefit from ZYC as a vital **training ground and springboard** for their careers; our alumni have gone on to have fulfilling careers in a variety of shows and companies including Rambert Dance Company, Flawless and West End musicals 'Bat Out of Hell', 'Thriller Live' and 'Everyone's Talking about Jamie'.

#### **ZooNation Youth Company:**

- Trained more than 145 young people since its inception in 2006
- Resident Company at Southbank Centre
- Company members are selected through annual auditions from across the country (currently members include young people from Liverpool, Stoke and Southampton)
- Members receive three hours of training every Saturday, 36 weeks a year
- Members perform at events across the country (e.g. London Mayor's New Year's Day Parade, Royal Festival Hall, Roundhouse and Kensington Roof Gardens)

*"My training with ZYC encompassed all the great things that dance can bring to life. It showed me that a life in dance can bring deep friendships, personal growth and inspiring opportunity. Even from the young age I joined ZYC, I knew the training and experience I was getting was second to none and would prepare me with the passion and fundamental skills for an exciting career."* Annie, ZYC alumni



**We welcome supporters who will help us develop the next generation of artists by making an annual contribution of £300+.**

**£300** will cover the cost of training one company member for a term

**£500** will cover the cost of one company teacher for four weeks

**£1,000** will cover the cost of one company member for a year

#### **Friends' benefits**

- Personal thank you from Kate and our young dancers
  - Two complimentary tickets to ZYC's Southbank Centre Summer Show
  - Annual invitation to a Friends lunch\* with ZooNation and ZYC
  - Opportunities to observe ZYC training and rehearsals
  - Advance notice of ticket sales for ZYC and ZooNation productions
  - Opportunities to observe Kate in rehearsal for upcoming projects
  - Priority booking for ZYC performances at corporate or private events\*
- \*cost applies*

**To sign up, please contact Sri on [sri@zoonation.co.uk](mailto:sri@zoonation.co.uk).**

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