

## **Award categories**

When completing the nomination form you should refer to the below criteria for each category. Nominations will be judged on how each of the criterion is shown in the supporting statement.

### **1. Early Career Dance Teacher Award**

#### **Description:**

This award is for RAD Registered Teacher who has graduated from a Faculty of Education programme within the last 5 years. Nomination statements should reference the year of graduation.

#### **Criteria (to include but not limited to):**

- Evidence of demonstrating innovative approaches to the teaching of ballet/dance;
- Evidence of engaging in initiatives which providing opportunities for their students to engage with ballet/dance outside of the classroom;
- Evidence of connecting with or being involved with other dance teachers/organisations/the wider dance profession to enhance and extend their teaching;
- Evidence of being a positive role model to their students and/or other aspiring dance teachers/dance professionals.

### **2. Community Engagement Dance Teacher Award**

#### **Description:**

This award is for a RAD Registered Teacher who, through community projects or initiatives, has brought inspiring dance activities to individuals/groups in their communities who would not normally access (or have access to) dance.

#### **Criteria (to include but not limited to) evidence of:**

- creating a community dance project or initiative,
- how the community dance project or initiative which has had impact on the community,
- engaging and networking with dance professionals/organisations and others in creating and delivering a community project or initiative, and
- a desire to continue with or extend the community dance project or initiative.

### **3. Outstanding Mentor Teacher Award**

**Description:**

This award is for a RAD Registered Teacher who has been an outstanding mentor of a dance student/s, dance professional or trainee dance teachers.

**Criteria (to include but not limited to) evidence of:**

- mentoring a dance student, dance professional or trainee dance teacher,
- the impact of the mentoring experience on both the mentee and mentor,
- a willingness to share skills, knowledge and expertise with others, and
- being an inspiring role model.

### **4. RAD Advocacy Dance Teacher Award**

**Description:**

This award is for a RAD Registered Teacher who has demonstrated a commitment to promoting the RAD's mission and championed the work of the RAD both with and outside the wider dance profession.

**Criteria (to include but not limited to) evidence of:**

- advocating for the RAD as an organisation,
- championing a particular objective of the RAD's mission,
- influencing the engagement of others in the RAD's work, and
- engaging in initiatives (such as media and online platforms) in raising the profile of the RAD to a range of stakeholders.