

QuestLab Network Artist Opportunity

Being part of the QuestLab Network has been such an enriching and inspiring experience for me as an artist/researcher. It has allowed me to make fantastic contacts across academia and industry, and has given me the time and expertise to rethink several elements of how I approach my digital practice as a dance artist. I have also had the mentoring and support to reconsider how I present my work to audiences, venues and promoters. The legacy of this network will continue to inform and impact on my work going forward and I wholeheartedly recommend this programme to anyone with an interest in developing innovation across dance and technology.

QuestLab Network Artist 2019

Studio Wayne McGregor is offering an opportunity for eight dance artists from across England to participate in our artist development programme focusing on intersections between dance and technology. Funded by Arts Council England's Ambition for Excellence programme, **QuestLab Network** will bring together artists with Studio Wayne McGregor's unique network of world-class researchers, developers, technologists and commercial organisations, leading to the development and delivery of performance and engagement projects around the country.

We are seeking a diverse range of artists with a background in any dance form, at any stage in their career and from across England. Artists should be experienced in or have a demonstrable interest in working with digital technology and should be interested in creating work for their region, an understanding of their local context and how they might develop projects that address challenges relating to engagement.

The Programme and Support Offered:**Residency**

All artists will participate in a two-week residency at Studio Wayne McGregor, which will bring together participating dance artists with individuals and companies involved in digital practice and scientific research and who have an interest in working with artists.

The QuestLab Network residency programme is structured around four themes:

- Digital Transformation: New Mindsets, Process & Context
- Digital Technologies: Explore, Play & Learn
- Interdisciplinarity: New Ideas; New Thinking; New Collaborations
- Building Blocks: Building New Relationships; Financial and Legal Context

The residency offers an opportunity to reimagine what the work and role of the artist might be in a digitally disrupted world - where finding new relevance, new roles, new ways of working, new kinds of collaborator and new business models is critical to thriving as a dance artist.

During the two-week intensive residency, and at additional network events through the year, each artist will gain insight, build partnerships and networks, and germinate ideas for practical projects they are interested in pursuing.

The eight artists will receive financial support for travel, accommodation and subsistence for the residency.

