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**2012/13 DCD supported Clore Leadership Programme Dance Fellow Announced**

Dancers' Career Development (DCD) is pleased to announce that **Martin Hylton** is the eighth DCD supported Clore Leadership Programme Dance Fellow.

The Clore Leadership Programme, an initiative of the Clore Duffield Foundation, has recently announced the twenty-nine Clore Leadership Fellows for 2012/13, including six International Fellows and 5 Cultural Consortia-supported Fellows from Archives, Heritage, Museums and the Performing Arts.

DCD has been supporting the Clore Leadership Programme since 2005 and is involved in the Special Fellowship in Dance (also supported by the Linbury Trust) which is exclusively available for eligible DCD Company dancers. We are delighted that this year's fellow is Martin Hylton, who has worked internationally as a professional Dancer, Choreographer and Director with Phoenix Dance Theatre, UK; Nye Carte Blanche, Norway and various other companies.

Martin lives in Gateshead and is Artistic Director of the Gateway Studio and a freelance choreographer and lecturer. Previous roles include; Regional Development Manager for Dance City; Co-Director of Artists in Motion; Youth Dance Academy Director, Tees Valley Dance Middlesbrough.

Prior to receiving the Clore Fellowship, Martin received support and funding from DCD towards a two year part time MA in Arts Business and Creativity at Newcastle University.

Further DCD funded Dance Clore Fellows include Lee Fisher, Birmingham Royal Ballet (2005/6) Sharon Watson, Phoenix Dance Theatre (2006/7) Toby Norman-Wright, Birmingham Royal Ballet (2007/8) Will Tuckett, The Royal Ballet (2008/9) Dorcas Walters, Birmingham Royal Ballet (2009/10), Isabel Mortimer, London Contemporary Dance Theatre and Rambert Dance Company (2010/11) and Daniel de Andrade, Northern Ballet and Scottish Ballet (2011/12).

DCD is also delighted to announce that DCD beneficiary Martin Joyce has been awarded a General Fellowship supported by Arts Council England. Martin received funding from DCD for Business start-up support for Icon Dance Ltd, which produces bespoke classical and contemporary dance for the commercial sector.

**Martin Hylton, 2012/13 Clore Leadership Programme Dance Fellow:** 'I am honoured and excited to be offered a Dance Fellowship on the Clore Leadership Programme. The year ahead is going to be full of opportunities and possibilities to further my leadership skills and potential and I simply cannot wait to get started. It is with thanks to the Clore Leadership programme, Dancers' Career Development, and the Linbury Trust that I am able to embark upon such a wonderful journey'

**Colin Nears, DCD Vice Chairman:** 'We are all delighted that Martin has been awarded a Fellowship. He follows a distinguished list of previous DCD supported Fellows, and all of us at DCD send him warmest congratulations and wish him every success in this new venture'

For further information on DCD please visit the [www.thedcd.org.uk](http://www.thedcd.org.uk) or contact us directly.  
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For further information on the Clore Leadership Programme please visit [www.cloreleadership.org](http://www.cloreleadership.org) or contact the Clore Leadership Programme on 020 7420 9430.

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**Notes for editors:**

- Dancers' Career Development (DCD) offers careers guidance, grants for retraining, business start-up grants and on-going support for all professional dancers whose performing career is drawing to a close.
- DCD supports the Clore Leadership Programme by offering a specialised bursary for eligible professional dancers on the programme.
- Dancers' Career Development was initially founded as Dancers' Resettlement Fund in 1974, by the late Peter Williams OBE.
- Dancers' Career Development is a founder member of the International Organisation for the Transition of Professional Dancers (IOTPD).
- For more information please visit our website [www.thedcd.org.uk](http://www.thedcd.org.uk) or call 020 7831 1449.

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