

## Dublin Dance Festival (DDF) – Sustainability Statement

Working nationally and internationally, DDF acts as a vital interchange between contemporary dance artists and audiences; creating and sharing extraordinary dance experiences, generating opportunities for artists and deepening engagement with dance in Ireland.


As a year-round, not-for-profit organisation, DDF engages in dance associated activities in Ireland and abroad. We recognise that organising an annual Festival consumes energy, materials and creates waste products. We acknowledge that we have a responsibility to minimise negative environmental impacts of our Festival and in our work throughout the year. We are proud to participate in The Green Arts Initiative designed to provide Irish arts organisations with the resources and support to help build a green arts community. We have identified the following steps to become the most sustainable arts organisation we can by:

- understanding and assessing our environmental impacts which will help us to identify the areas where we can make the most significant improvements;
- leveraging our position as a cultural influencer to raise consciousness and inspire action;
- raising awareness and encouraging participation among employees, board members, artists, volunteers and relevant stake holders;
- making it effortless for performers and audiences to participate in the Festival in an environmentally sound way;
- complying with the requirements of environmental legislation and approved codes of practice;
- monitoring our environmental performance;
- championing best practice, sharing learnings and being open to change.

*We propose to:*

- a. develop measurable actions and targets from this framework*
- b. develop best practice guidelines for each area of our work*

On behalf of the Board:

Signed:   
Brian Brady  
Chairperson

Date: 10<sup>th</sup> Feb 2020