



SLOUGH ARTS FESTIVAL

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Music, Dance and Speech
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SYLLABUS 2026

We extend a very warm welcome for 2026 to all our old friends and to our new competitors. This year we are delighted to announce that our festival will be held at a new venue — St Mary's Theatre, Heathfield School, Ascot. The theatre has a much larger stage, enabling us to once again accommodate groups, which we are excited about!

We've done some research, and we can trace Slough Arts Festival back as far as 1941, which puts it into its 9th decade- a magnificent achievement due in no small part to the wonderful contribution from our numerous supporters - competitors, teachers, friends, families and volunteers - which has sustained it and carried it forward over the years. We hope you all have a wonderful time at our festival.

PROVISIONAL DATES: Tuesday 7th April 2026 – Saturday 11th April 2026

VENUE: St Mary's Theatre, Heathfield School, Ascot SL5 8BQ

ADJUDICATOR: Adam Scott

PRIORITY ENTRIES OPEN: Monday 3rd November 2025 (for those who entered last year)

ALL OTHER ENTRIES OPEN: Thursday 6th November 2025

CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES: Sunday 4th January 2026

The committee reserves the right to refuse entries and to close the entries ahead of the closing date once the festival is full.

AGE OF COMPETITORS: Age on 31st August 2025

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Officers:	Chairman	Lynne Casey
	Vice Chairman	Lynne Chilver
	Hon. Treasurer	Barbara Brennan
	Secretary	Moira Ellis

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR TEACHERS & DANCERS

Slough Arts Festival is a charity run by volunteers who give their time free of charge to enable the competition to take place. Slough Arts Festival endeavours to deliver a high-quality event, which will be both enjoyable and a positive experience for everyone involved.

We wish to promote the art of healthy competition and as such we expect all performers, teachers, parents and members of the public to show a high level of mindfulness, good manners and consideration to everyone.

We kindly request that your school respects our ethos and takes every measure to ensure everyone involved with your school is aware of this Code of Conduct.

Slough Arts Festival operates a 'zero tolerance' attitude to all forms of abuse therefore such behaviour or the use of inappropriate words causing distress and/or constituting harassment will not be tolerated. Slough Arts Festival reserves the right to exclude a school with immediate effect if they do not comply with this policy.

AGE GROUPS AND PRICING (*Duet, Trio, Quartet and Group are per dance)

CLASS	AGE		
SOLO £7.00		TRIO/QUARTET £12.50*	
Pre-Junior	6 and under	Pre Junior	7 and under
A	7 and 8	Junior	10 and under
B	9 and 10	Intermediate	14 and under
C	11 and 12	Senior	21 and under
D	13 and 14		
E	15 and 16		
F	17 to 21		
DUET £9.00*		GROUP £22.00*	
Pre Junior	7 and under		
Junior	10 and under	Junior	10 and under
Intermediate	14 and under	Intermediate	14 and under
Senior	21 and under	Senior	21 and under

DISCIPLINES AND TIME LIMITS

Disciplines & Time Limits

	Solos			Duets			Trios / Quartets		
	Pre-Junior A B	C	D E F	Pre-Junior & Junior	Inter	Senior	Pre-Junior & Junior	Inter	Senior
Ballet - Classical ¹	1.5	2	2	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Ballet - Modern ^{1,2}			2		2.5	2.5		2.5	2.5
Narrative / Character	1.5	2	2	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Contemporary ^{1,2}			2		2.5	2.5		2.5	2.5
Global	1.5	2	2	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Classical Greek	1.5	2	2	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Musical Theatre	2	2.5	2.5	3	3	3	3	3	3
Tap	1.5	2	2	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Jazz / Modern	1.5	2	2	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Lyrical ³		2	2		2.5	2.5		2.5	2.5

	Small Groups			Large Groups		
	Junior	Inter	Senior	Junior	Inter	Senior
Ballet - Classical ¹	3	3	3	4	4	4
Ballet - Modern ^{1,2}		3	3		4	4
Narrative / Character	3	3	3	4	4	4
Contemporary ^{1,2}		3	3		4	4
Global	3	3	3	4	4	4
Classical Greek	3	3	3	4	4	4
Musical Theatre	3.5	3.5	3.5	4.5	4.5	4.5
Tap	3	3	3	4	4	4
Jazz / Modern	3	3	3	4	4	4
Lyrical ³		3	3		4	4
Open ⁴	3	3	3	4	4	4