

# DESI MOVES

## A REMIX OF BOLLYWOOD BHANGRA AND GIDDHA

Part of **Dance Routes, Desi Moves** will engage The Midlands' diverse communities in the build up to the Olympic and Paralympic Games.

**Dance Routes** is made up of five genres, each representing one of the five Olympic rings. These include; Hip Hop, Bashment, **Bhangra, Bollywood and Giddha.**

In a series of workshops and showcase events, participants will create dance routines that will be performed at exciting public events across the region.

**Punch** through Dance Routes has already worked in Schools in North Birmingham and the Black Country resulting in a great day of street dance at The Public in West Bromwich called Hip Hop Revolution and dancehall at Simmerdown Festival in Handsworth Park with hundreds of people getting involved and thousands watching!

**Bhangra** is an ancient cultural folk dance originating from Northern India. Traditional Punjabi farmers used the dance to celebrate the annual harvest festival called 'Vaisakhi'. Bhangra is a fast and exhilarating dance that utilises live musical accompaniment including traditional folk songs and drumming from the 'Dhol'.

**Bollywood** dancing that accompanies Bollywood songs are often hybrid formations drawing on a range of dance genres (from classical Bharat Natyam, regional folk dancing, to modern MTV-style urban street dances), to bring to life the singing of the songs and the telling of the story through emotions expressed in dance.

**Giddha** dance is thought to be derived from the ancient Indian ring dance. It is not only energetic but also manages to creatively display feminine grace, elegance and elasticity. Participants to the Giddha circle clap their hands and at the same time sing small poetic couplets; these are called boliyan or bolis. Ghiddha is sometimes accompanied by a dholak [small two headed drum, to provide rhythm.



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