

Olivia Pickford

Olivia Pickford AISTD RAD Dip trained with The Royal Ballet Associates and The Arts Educational School Tring and then went onto dance in the contemporary company Dikosmos in Australia. She is a fully qualified teacher of RAD, Cecchetti and ISTD Modern. Olivia has taught globally in Australia, Norway, New Zealand, Japan and Italy. In Tokyo she worked for Former Principal of The Royal Ballet Teddy Kumakawa at K Ballet Company

She has been guest company teacher for Matthew Bourne's *Swan Lake* Japan tour.

She has taught for professional dance schools in the UK such as The Arts Educational School Tring, Bird College, and Bodyworks and is Former Head of Ballet for Tiffany Theatre College. She is a guest teacher for RAD and Cecchetti Summer Schools as well as guest lecturer for the IDTA.

In 2009 Olivia was choreographer for London Children's Ballet production of *Snow White* which was performed in the West End.

Olivia is currently teaching at DanceXchange, leading workshops for Birmingham Royal Ballet and is a cover teacher for The Royal Ballet Associates. She is also Dance Director for the Outreach project Reach4Dance and works with professional dancers from The Royal Ballet, English National Ballet, River Dance and the West End. Her up-coming project is choreographer and ballet mistress for Midlands Theatre Ballet and choreographing a full length children's ballet in Athens.