

EARLY WEAVES



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About us





Early Weaves is a dance show by **Ascension Dance Company**.

2 dancers perform in Early Weaves.

Early Weaves is performed **outside** on grass, in parks, fields and festivals.

We also perform **inside** in places like libraries, schools and theatres.

We use **panels, baskets,** and **props** made of **willow** as part of the show.



Early Weaves is about **friendship** and using your **imagination**.

We watch **Willow** and **Weave** explore what they can **create** and games they can **play** with willow.

Together they explore through **sound, movement, laughter** and invite the audience to **play!**

Performance Information



Early Weaves is about **55 minutes** long and can be watched from **3 sides**.



Early Weaves is suitable for children aged **1 - 4 years old** and their **grown ups**.

There will be people around who you can **ask for help if you need it**.



When we are performing inside there will be **gentle lighting** used in the show. No lighting is used when we are outside.



There is **loud music** played during the show. **Early Weaves** is a **non-verbal** show but there are times when the **performers will make noises**.



We like to be close to the audience!

You may be sat on **cushions**, **benches** or **the floor**. We will make sure you are **comfortable**.



Sometimes it might seem like the performers are very tired or feeling hurt. But **don't worry, this is all part of the performance and everyone is safe**.



You are **allowed** to make **noise** throughout the show. The performers really enjoy it when you **clap and get excited**.



The **last 15 minutes** of the show is **stay and play!** This means you can **join the dancers** on stage and **play with the willow**.



The show has a **story** that you can follow if you watch it from the beginning to the end, but **if you need to leave, it's ok to go and come back!**



This is a relaxed performance and **breast-feeding is welcome.**



Sometimes, we run **movement workshops** for audience members, feel free to **ask us** if we are running a workshop at your event.



Our set and props are made from **willow** and are **kind to the planet.**

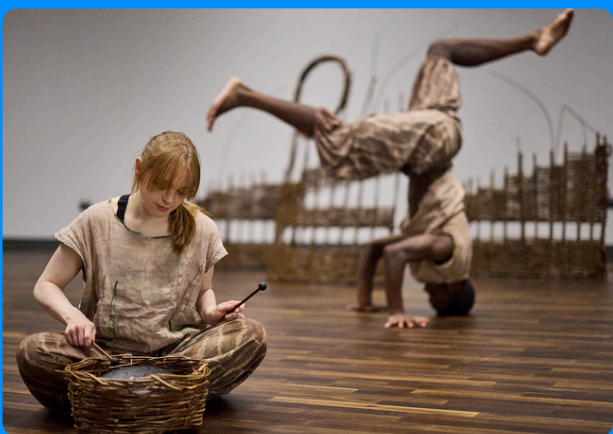
About the Company



Ascension Dance Company is a contemporary dance company based in Coventry. We are inspired by movement from **parkour and free-running**.



Contemporary Dance is often inspired by a theme or topic. It can be quite expressive and is often fused with other dance styles to make something new.



Parkour / Freerunning is when you move on and around obstacles. It's about finding new ways to get from one place to another.



My name is **Ashley Jordan (AJ)**.

I play the role of **Weave** and I am also a company director for **Ascension Dance Company**.

In the past I have trained in parkour, free-running and gymnastics and I love to use these to create dance choreography.

I also love to work with young people to create dance and performance.



My name is **Frankie Goodinson**.

I play the role of **Willow** in **Early Weaves**.

As a **company artist** for **Ascension Dance Company** I am passionate about Contemporary Dance and expressing myself in performance.

I also love to work with young people and help train them to create dance and movement.