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# THE ROYAL EDINBURGH MILITARY TATTOO DANCERS Application Form 2023 Dance Director – Aileen Robertson

Applications are now being accepted for dancers to join The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo Dancers. The chosen team for 2023 will perform in front of live audiences on Edinburgh Castle's Esplanade at The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo 2023.

The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo is seeking talented volunteer dancers from any organisation affiliated to the Royal Scottish Official Board of Highland Dancing.

Since its inception in 1950, The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo has raised over £12m for charitable causes, including funds to bolster traditional Scottish music and dance across Scotland. As we look ahead to the 2023 season, we are delighted to welcome applications from both new and returning volunteers to help us celebrate this momentous event and achieve this ambition.

The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo will take place from 4 – 26 August 2023. Successful applicants must arrive in Edinburgh on Thursday 27 July 2023 for rehearsals commencing on Friday 28 July 2023.

## Who Should Apply

The 2023 Tattoo Dancers will comprise of dancers from any country affiliated to the Royal Scottish Official Board of Highland Dancing.

Applicants must be 18 years or over as at 1 July 2023 and must be of Premier standard which must be maintained throughout the year. Consideration may be given to a few Dancers aged 16 and 17 years old.

### What Will Be Required

Dancers must maintain a level of fitness to enable them to perform to a high standard. Should you be selected, your Dance Teacher will be contacted to confirm your regular attendance at classes.

All dancers are responsible for all travel costs both to and from Edinburgh. Accommodation and meals will be provided for all Dancers for the duration of the Tattoo including rehearsals.

The dancers are under the direction of Aileen Robertson, Dance Director for The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo Dancers.

Any dancers performing in the Tattoo will be unable to compete at an event where the Dance Director is an Adjudicator for 3 months following the last performance on 26 August 2023. The same rule will apply to any dancer(s) who are RSOBHD Adjudicators who may be performing as part of The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo Dancers.

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### How to Apply

All applications should be submitted to <u>dance@edintattoo.co.uk</u> no later than **Friday 6 January 2023**. If you have any questions at all – relating to your application, the required performance standard, and / or commitment etc. - please contact Aileen on the above email address to discuss.

All UK based dancers will be invited to attend an audition which will be held in The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo Offices (3 Cockburn Street, EH1 1QB, Edinburgh) on **Saturday 25 February 2023**. Audition times will be allocated after the application closing date.

All overseas dancers will be allocated a date to submit an online audition once their application has been received.

Auditions will also be held at the Marguerite Reid Memorial Workshop in Delco, Pennsylvania from 3 -5 February 2023. Any dancer wishing to audition in person at this event should indicate their attendance at the Workshop on the application form. Audition times will be allocated after the application closing date.

Details of the audition will be sent out after the closing date.

We look forward to welcoming your applications!



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Dancer Name			
Aged 18 or over at 1 July 2023	Yes / No		
Home Address			
Contact Telephone Number (Home and Mobile)			
E-mail Address			
Dance Teacher			
Dance Teacher Email Address			
Are you currently a competitive dancer?	Yes / No	IF YES please provide your Registration Number	
Can you perform all Highland, National, Hornpipe and Jig steps to a competitive level?			
Details of any choreography experience (including performances at Tattoos)			
Why do you want to be a member of Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo Dancers? (Max 200 words)			

Please send your completed application form to <u>dance@edintattoo.co.uk</u> by Friday 6 January 2023

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