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CUADAN507 Refine dance partnering techniques

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Modification History

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Release 2	This version released with CUA Creative Arts and Culture Training Package version 2.0. Updated assessment conditions section. Updated modification history section to reflect changed name of training package.
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Application

This unit describes the performance outcomes, skills and knowledge required to practise and execute complex dance sequences with a partner.

At this level, dancers are challenging themselves with dance sequences of increasing technical and physical complexity.

This unit applies to those who are consolidating their career where a high level of partner work is required for performances. These skills are applied in different ways depending on the dance style.

While some supervision and guidance are provided in practice sessions and rehearsals, dancers are expected to be self-directed and display a high level of motivation and responsibility for themselves and others.

No licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication.

Unit Sector

Performing arts – dance

Elements and Performance Criteria

Elements	Performance Criteria
<i>Elements describe the essential outcomes.</i>	<i>Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.</i>
1. Maintain a physical conditioning program	1.1 In consultation with teachers and mentors, set realistic physical conditioning goals aimed at improving own dance technique

	1.2 Use a range of techniques to improve stamina, strength and flexibility 1.3 Identify risk factors that may inhibit the achievement of goals and seek professional advice as required 1.4 Take fatigue and personal limitations into account when undertaking physical conditioning program 1.5 Observe safe dance practice by performing warm-up and warm-down activities in conjunction with dance activities
2. Practise partnering techniques of increasing difficulty	2.1 Break complex partnering routines down into discrete elements and work through each element separately 2.2 Practise combining elements until the required level of precision and technique is achieved 2.3 Practise executing lifts and counterbalances with surety 2.4 Practise going into and out of movements safely and gracefully 2.5 Experiment as required with timing, body position and other techniques associated with multiple partnering 2.6 Develop a high level of creative and technical collaboration with partner 2.7 Apply precision, rhythm and musicality in dance sequences
3. Maintain expertise in dance partnering technique	3.1 Apply professional work ethic to practice and performance activities 3.2 Incorporate injury-prevention techniques into dance and movement activities 3.3 Maintain and update knowledge of dance terminology 3.4 Use feedback from others to identify and develop ways to improve own dance partnering technique 3.5 Regularly view performances by industry practitioners as a way of sourcing new ideas, identifying trends, maintaining motivation, and improving own technique

Foundation Skills

This section describes language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills incorporated in the performance criteria that are required for competent performance.

Skill	Performance Criteria	Description
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Learning	1.1, 3.4, 3.5	- Seeks the views and opinions of others to develop own understanding - Analyses feedback, reviews personal goals and reflects on learning and performance - Gains insight from previous experience and from viewing the performances of others
Reading	3.3	Reviews a range of texts to update dance terminology
Oral communication	1.1, 1.3, 2.6, 3.3,	- Obtains information by listening and questioning - Discusses dance terminology with others, seeking information and clarifying meaning of terms - Builds rapport with partners through verbal and non-verbal means
Navigate the world of work	1.4, 1.5, 2.6, 3.1, 3.3, 3.4, 3.5	- Follows accepted industry practices in relation to safe dance practices, injury-prevention strategies and general work ethic - Takes responsibility for own ongoing professional and career development
Interact with others	1.1, 1.3, 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 3.4	- Works collaboratively to develop and improve dance techniques - Responds creatively and flexibly to partners while dancing together
Get the work done	1.2, 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, 3.1, 3.2	- Adopts a methodical, disciplined and positive approach to physical conditioning program, dance classes and evaluation of own skill development - Breaks complex dance sequences down into their component parts - Anticipates and finds solutions to problems that could arise while performing complex partnered sequences - Works creatively with music and dance movements - Communicates the mood or style of dance sequences - Takes steps to minimise risk of injury through appropriate physical conditioning program

Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
CUADAN507 Refine dance partnering techniques (Release 2)	CUADAN507 Refine dance partnering techniques (Release 1)	Updated assessment conditions section. Updated modification history section to reflect changed name of training package.	Equivalent unit

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

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Assessment Requirements for CUADAN507 Refine dance partnering techniques

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Performance Evidence

Evidence of the ability to:

- perform a complex dance sequence with a partner on at least two occasions, demonstrating:
 - harmony of movement
 - competent execution of the following advanced techniques:
 - overhead lifts
 - counterbalances
 - smooth transitions between movement elements
 - rapport with partner
- respond to constructive feedback on own performance
- use terminology associated with chosen dance style correctly.

Note: If a specific volume or frequency is not stated, then evidence must be provided for each of the above points at least once.

Knowledge Evidence

To complete the unit requirements the individual must:

- explain how the following principles relate to physical movements and dance techniques:
 - extending
 - folding
 - relationship with gravity
 - rotating

- shifting weight
- spatial awareness
- successional movement
- use of breath
- explain how the following apply in the context of safe dance practice and injury prevention:
 - articulation of the spine
 - engagement of the feet
 - bases of support, including feet, legs, hands, arms and torso
 - range of motion of the joints
 - differentiation of the legs and pelvis
 - healthy nutrition and diet
- explain and demonstrate how the musical elements of time signatures, beat, tempo and syncopation apply to performing partnered dance sequences.

Assessment Conditions

Assessment must be conducted in a safe environment where evidence gathered demonstrates consistent performance of typical activities experienced in creative arts industry environments. The assessment environment must include access to:

- fully equipped dance studios with suitable flooring
- appropriate music or accompanists.

Assessors of this unit must satisfy the requirements for assessors in applicable vocational educational and training legislation, frameworks and/or standards.

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