About Trinity Laban Conservatoire of Music and Dance

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Trinity Laban Conservatoire of Music and Dance is one of the United Kingdom's leading institutions for music and dance education. Situated in London (Greenwich) it is renowned for its innovative teaching, world-class facilities, and vibrant artistic community. The conservatoire was formed in 2005 following the merger of Trinity College of Music and Laban, two highly respected organisations with long-standing histories in their respective fields.

History

Trinity College of Music was established in 1872 and earned a reputation for excellence in classical music training. Laban, founded in 1948, became a centre for contemporary dance and movement, named after the influential Hungarian choreographer **Rudolf Laban**. The merger created a unique institution, combining rigorous musical tradition with avant-garde dance practices.

Our Musicum20 connection



Our personal connection with Trinity Laban is through **Professor Aleksander Szram** - <u>Dr Aleksander Szram | musicum20</u> – currently Artistic Director. Aleks joined the Trinity Laban teaching staff in 2007 and was appointed Artistic Director in September 2024. Aleks is additionally a Reader in Performance Studies and a Senior Teaching Fellow - where he supervises creative practice PhDs. Previously, Aleks was program leader of the BMus and Foundation programmes.

Aleks is our host for the 2025 Musicum20 symposium.

Courses and Programmes

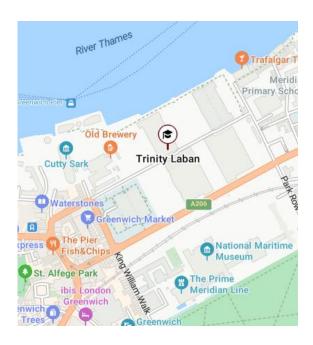
Trinity Laban offers a diverse range of undergraduate and postgraduate programmes in music, dance, and musical theatre. Students can specialise in areas such as classical performance, jazz, composition, choreography, contemporary dance, and music education. The conservatoire is known for its emphasis on creativity, collaboration, and professional development, preparing students for careers in performance, teaching, and the broader creative industries.

For details regarding undergraduate, postgraduate and research courses see - <u>Study at</u> Trinity Laban

Facilities

The conservatoire's campuses are located in the Old Royal Naval College in *Greenwich* and the purpose-built Laban Building in *Deptford*. Facilities include state-of-the-art performance spaces, rehearsal studios, practice rooms, and recording studios. Students also benefit from access to extensive libraries and resources, as well as opportunities to work with industry professionals.

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Trinity Laban Conservatoire of Music and Dance is a beacon of artistic excellence and innovation. Its commitment to nurturing talent and fostering creativity makes it an ideal destination for aspiring musicians and dancers seeking world-class education in the very heart of London.

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Emeritus Professor Greg Whateley is currently Chief Executive and Executive Dean of the *Australian Guild of Education* (Melbourne). He is also currently President of the *Musicum20* think tank.