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### **Swing, salsa and samba mark student show's 30<sup>th</sup> year**

Quickstepping students from the University of Edinburgh will take centre stage next month for a gala performance that celebrates 30 years of a popular dance show.

The fast-paced Dance Performance will showcase a different style of dance every five minutes. Performances will include tango, hip-hop, ballet, cheerleading and Highland dancing.

The Bhangra society will add colour to the event with traditional Punjabi folk dances, expertly choreographed with a contemporary twist. There will also be break dancing, live drumming on stage and aerial dance routines.

Choreographer and event organiser, June Adamson, said: "We are delighted to produce the University's 30<sup>th</sup> annual Dance Performance. The show has gained a reputation for delivering some outstanding performances, and this year will not disappoint. With such an exciting range of dances as well as breath-taking talent from our students, anyone watching is sure to leave with a spring in their step!"

The performance has grown year-on-year, with increasing numbers of students and dance groups joining in to create an exhilarating show with a diverse range of dance disciplines and music genres.

Many previous participants have gone on to have successful careers in dance. Tony Mills – who has a BSc in Veterinary Medicine and Surgery – developed his talent in break dancing after graduating. He has worked with a number of notable dance companies including Scottish Ballet and David Hughes Dances Productions.

Former Applied Sports Science student Jo Richards formed the successful Dance Hustle Troupe, which performs at many festivals throughout the country.

The show takes place in the Pleasance Theatre on Friday 13 and Saturday 14 March at 7.30pm. Tickets are now on sale at the Centre for Sport and Exercise reception desk at the Pleasance.

Pre-sale tickets cost £8 for students, £10 for non-students and £5 for children. Tickets at the door cost £10 for students, £12 for non-students and £7 for children.

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