# <u>Kiren Virdee</u>

MOVEMENT DIRECTOR, CHOREOGRAPHER, PERFORMER, AND FACILITATOR

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## **SKILLS PROFILE:**

Throughout my life, I have demonstrated an outstanding work ethic, passion, and sensitivity towards performance work. I take pride in my person-centred approach to movement, working with care and awareness to produce high-quality practice. My interests include artistic accessibility and exploring the complexities of cultural identity in performance.

# **MOVEMENT DIRECTION / CHOREOGRAPHY selected:**

Movement Director Once in a Song, Pinter Studio: Art One, 2024.

**Movement Director and Choreographer** *Ghar Ghar*, Rosemary Branch Theatre, 2024.

**Movement and Intimacy Director** *Breeding*, King's Head Theatre, 2024.

**Movement Director** *Wish You Weren't Here*, Theatre Centre, National Tour, 2024.

Associate Movement Director and Choreographer The Jungle Book, Chichester Festival Theatre, 2023.

**Choreographer, Movement Director, and Intimacy** *Seize the Cheese*, Studio New Wimbledon Theatre, 2023.

**Movement Director and Intimacy Director** *Grey Area,* Homing Bird Theatre, Vaults Festival, Kings Head Theatre, 2023.

Associate Movement Director 2 Billion Beats, Orange Tree Theatre, 2023.

**Movement Director** *Kolaja*, Feature Film, 2023.

**Movement Director** *Things I Shouldn't Carry*, ZooCo.(Youth), Ashcroft Theatre, 2022.

**Movement Director and Intimacy Director** *The Greatest Lover in the World,* Omnibus Theatre, 2021.

## PLACEMENT WORK

### **Movement Director**

*Raya,* Hampstead Theatre, Director: Roxana Silbert, 2021. Bespoke character movement / whole company work / warmups / transitions / intimacy / choreographed dance, including the final moment of the piece. Working with a range of ages.

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## **PERFORMANCE CREDITS, selected:**

Rep. Dale Hammond Associates.

**Performer / Devisor / Writer / Creator** *Does Anyone Else Smell Curry?* The Bread and Roses Theatre, 2024.

**Krupa** *Kali Chaudas*, Rehearsed Reading, Luton Library Theatre, 2024.

**Performer / Devisor** *Billy*, Homing Bird Theatre, R&D, 2024.

Performer / Devisor Feel Me, Paper Birds, R&D, UK Tour, 2022-2024.

**Performer / Devisor / Writer / Creator** *Sohni Beauty*, Omnibus Theatre, 2023.

# Hen

*Switch,* Purple Theatre, Timber Festival, Derby Studio Theatre, Derby Pride, 2022.

Dance Artist Freedom School: Apocalyptic Doing/Making, Siobhan Davies, Digital, 2021.

Ensemble Moss Hut, Anansi Theatre Company, 2021.

Ident, Featured Girl BBC SHORTS, BBC – 2015.

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## FACILITATION AND TEACHING:

Visiting Lecturer, Central School of Speech and Drama, September 2022 – Present. Delivering Movement sessions in various Acting diplomas.

Lead Artist, The Place, April 2021 – Present. Leading and collaborating to facilitate movement sessions and create performances.

**Creative and Contemporary Dance Artist Facilitator, Siobhan Davies Studios,** April 2022 – Present. Improvisation, choreographic practice, and dance technique.

**Drama Facilitator, Diverse Voices,** October 2024 - Present. Working with young people to explore various sensitive themes.

**Social Dance Tutor, Fourth Monkey,** June - August 2022. Delivering a unit of Social Dance, BA level.

**Movement and Dance Tutor, London School of Dramatic Arts,** October 2021 – 2023. Movement and Dance for Foundation and Advanced diplomas.

**Movement Facilitator, Age UK Hammersmith and Fulham,** March 2022 – January 2023.

**Community Dance Artist, Henna Asian Women's Group,** March – May 2022.

## PLACEMENT WORK

**Restoration movement teaching,** CSSD, 2021 BA Acting second year: Period-specific movement. Interpreting and teaching period-specific dances.

**Dance assistant**, Trinity Laban Learning and Participation Team, TL Dancing for Health, 2019 - 2020.

# **EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:**

Central School of Speech and Drama. 2020–2021. MA: Movement Directing & Teaching, with: Distinction.

Trinity Laban Conservatoire of Music and Dance. 2019-2020. PgDip: Contemporary Dance & Community, with: Distinction Audrey Wethered Award Choreography Prize.

University of Bristol. 2016-2019. English Literature, BA with: First Class Honours.

St. Albans Girls School.
2009-2016
A-Levels, Geography A\*, Drama Theatre Studies A\*, English A.
GCSEs, 9 A\*, including English, Sciences, History and Art. 4 A, including Mathematics, Dance.

# SKILLS:

**Dance**, (Ballet, Tap, Contemporary, Modern, Jazz: Advanced level, 10yrs+/professional training) (Dancehall, Street, and Commercial: Intermediate level, 5yrs+training)

Acting, Rep. Dale Hammond Associates

Grade 7 Distinction, Dramatic Arts, Trinity Guildhall

Cello, Theory of Music, Trinity, Grade 6

## **OTHER INTERESTS:**

Writing: Free writing, script writing and spoken word. Currently performing.Fine art and contemporary art: Interest in art history. Draw, sketch, paint, print, and sculpt.Film and digital media: I enjoy watching, reading about, and making film.