



**ARTIST & COMPANY DEVELOPMENT CENTRE (ACDC)**  
**Supporting professional and innovative circus artists and companies**

**Practice – Classes – Information – Devising – Rehearsal – Performance**

**ACDC PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM**

*“Circus Space is a key driving force behind Circus as a performing art. Our interest is in high quality, original and dramatic performance that integrates a developed level of physical skill. To this end we educate and nurture staff, artists and companies.”*

The Artist & Company Development Centre (ACDC) offers facilities and support to professional circus artists and companies in order for them to train, work, develop and expand their skills and knowledge in circus arts and to provide exceptional networking and performance opportunities to its members. For full information on ACDC membership, please visit our website at [www.thecircusspace.co.uk](http://www.thecircusspace.co.uk).

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP CRITERIA**

- In line with Circus Space’s artistic vision, priority is given to professionals that we believe are producing artistically exciting and innovative work
- You need to demonstrate circus related professional practice through your application form and CV and/or other means
- You need to have attended an AOC, if applicable, and scored sufficiently against the criteria to show competency to be accepted as a member
- Additionally, we may provide a temporary membership for other professional artists i.e. directors, choreographers, dancers etc. if we feel they would be a useful support to professional circus artists

**ENTRY REQUIREMENTS, AOC & ACDC INDUCTION**

Membership of the Artist & Company Development Centre is determined in the first instance against your application form. If your application meets our professional membership criteria, you will be invited to Circus Space for an AOC (if applicable) to gauge your professional competency and your ability to train safely independently. You will be asked to prepare a short sequence on each discipline that you select on your application form to demonstrate your skill-base.

Please ensure that your application includes *all* of the disciplines that you would like to train in at Circus Space as you will only be assessed in and, if successful, permitted to practice those activities. If you wish to practice other disciplines in the future, we can arrange subsequent AOCs for you.

If your AOC is successful, you will be booked in to have a one hour induction into training at Circus Space. This session will include a guide to using our equipment, health & safety matters and a discussion of your membership package. The fee for the AOC and induction is £30.

Every two years, we may run inductions and/or refresher training in the use of Circus Space’s facilities.

The next date for refresher training will be in January 2009 and will occur bi-annually after this time.

Members of a Circus Space recognised company or those who have been awarded a Degree or Certificate after two, or more, years of study at a member school of the European Federation of Professional Circus Schools (FEDEC), may not have to undertake the AOC. If you think this applies to you or your company, please give details in the Circus Disciplines section on this form.

**PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE (PLI)**

All full ACDC members are required to have their own Public Liability Insurance (PLI) or Equity membership. Public Liability Insurance is intended to cover you if you are found legally liable because you have injured a third party, or because you have caused loss of or damage to their property as a result of your actions. For more information, please speak to your insurance advisor.

When submitting your ACDC application you will be required to submit evidence of your Equity membership or your PLI policy information.

For guest membership options, please see the Guest Membership Application Form.

Forms can be downloaded from our website at [www.thecircusspace.co.uk](http://www.thecircusspace.co.uk)

**TO APPLY**

Please ensure that you have read the form thoroughly and that you take the time to fill it out in full. ACDC membership is not automatic. For your application to be considered, you must also submit a professional CV outlining details of any training you have received and work you have been involved in and a photocopy of your Equity card or Public Liability Insurance policy with your application.

Your application will be processed within ten working days.

**Membership is subject to approval from Circus Space and we reserve the right to refuse, suspend or cancel membership at any time, and to change the benefits offered.**

[Please write in BLOCK CAPITALS]

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Tel - Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel - Home: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Tick here if you would like to receive the weekly ACDC E-Newsletter and Practice Time schedule.

What is your main occupation? \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide brief details of the type of work, artistic projects and companies/collaborators that you have been involved with during the past 12 months.

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Please provide brief details of the type of work, artistic projects and companies/collaborators that you intend to be involved with during the next 12 months.

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If it is not on your CV, please provide details of your artistic and circus skill education background

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Are there any particular services that you require?

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Equity Membership No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Public Liability Insurance Policy No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**BEFORE SUBMITTING YOUR FINISHED APPLICATION FORM, PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU HAVE ENCLOSED THE FOLLOWING (tick to confirm):**

1.  This form completed in full (pages 2 & 3)
2.  A professional CV with relevant training and performance details
3.  A copy of your Equity card and/or Public Liability Insurance (PLI) certificate

Please return this form completed in advance of your visit to:

Louise Dickson, ACDC Manager, Circus Space, Coronet Street, London N1 6HD.

If you have any questions, please contact Louise on: +44 (0)20 7729 9522 x227 or email:

[louise@thecircusspace.co.uk](mailto:louise@thecircusspace.co.uk).

