

Achievement Standard

Subject Reference	Dance 3.4		
Title	Perform a group dance		
Level	3	Credits	4
		Assessment	Internal
Subfield	Dance		
Domain	Dance Performance		
Status	Registered	Status date	4 December 2012
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This achievement standard involves performing a group dance.

Achievement Criteria

Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Perform a group dance. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Perform a group dance competently. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Perform a group dance skilfully.

Explanatory Notes

- This achievement standard is derived from The Arts learning area in *The New Zealand Curriculum*, Learning Media, Ministry of Education, 2007, Level 8. It aligns with the Developing Practical Knowledge and Communicating and Interpreting strands of Dance.
 - Extend and refine skills, practices, and use of technologies in a range of dance genres and styles.
 - Select and apply rehearsal processes, performance skills, and production technologies to enhance the communication and expression of dance works.
 It also relates to the material in the *Teaching and Learning Guide for Dance*, Ministry of Education, 2012 at <http://seniorsecondary.tki.org.nz>.

This standard is also derived from *Te Marautanga o Aotearoa*. For details of *Te Marautanga o Aotearoa* achievement objectives to which this standard relates, see the [Papa Whakaako](#) for the relevant learning area.

- Perform a group dance* involves:
 - reproducing the movements of the group dance in accordance with the demonstration or description. The dancer demonstrates technical requirements such as:
 - clarity of movements and shapes
 - generally accurate timing in relation to others

- the ability to maintain spatial relationships
- differentiation of the expressive qualities of the dance
- the ability to interact with others
- maintaining of focus
- demonstrating some dynamic qualities.

Perform a group dance competently involves:

- control of the technical requirements
- interpretation of the dynamic qualities of the dance
- sensitivity to other dancers.

Perform a group dance skilfully involves:

- adept execution of technical requirements
- interpretation of the expressive aspects of the dance
- awareness of the contribution of individual parts to the whole dance
- projection to and connection with the audience.

- 3 A *group dance* involves three or more performers.
 - 4 Technical requirements refer to the specific skills needed to perform the dance. They may involve strength, alignment and posture, agility, flexibility, stamina, and sense of balance and rhythm.
 - 5 Dynamic qualities are the ‘how’ or quality of the movement, for example the use of different kinds of speed and energy in a dance. They may include accents, sustained and/or sudden, smooth and/or staccato qualities; and heavy or light movements.
 - 6 Expressive qualities are the expressions of the face and body that complement the movements and assist the communication of the ideas in the dance. For example use of focus, accents, and breath.
 - 7 Projection may include focus, use of breath, facings, posture, and communication of energy to establish a sense of connection with the audience and convey emotional content and/or ideas in the dance.
 - 8 Conditions of Assessment related to this achievement standard can be found at <http://ncea.tki.org.nz/>.
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Replacement Information

This achievement standard replaced AS90596.

Quality Assurance

- 1 Providers and Industry Training Organisations must have been granted consent to assess by NZQA before they can register credits from assessment against achievement standards.
- 2 Organisations with consent to assess and Industry Training Organisations assessing against achievement standards must engage with the moderation system that applies to those achievement standards.

Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference

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