

Date& Time: 7 January 2027, 6 pm - 7:30 pm (UK time)

Title: Curating dance in the Victoria and Albert Museum, London

Speaker: Jane Pritchard MBE

Summary:

The presentation will look at the history and development of collecting and presenting dance in the V&A over the past century and in particular my own twenty years as the museum's first Curator of Dance. This will include discussion of the range of material collected and omissions, exhibitions and displays, ways of disseminating information about collections and performances. It will also include information on the best ways to access the museum's resources.

Jane Pritchard MBE is a dance historian, curator and archivist. Formerly Curator of Dance at the Victoria and Albert Museum, she co-curated *Diaghilev and the Golden Age of the Ballets Russes, 1909-1929* and numerous other exhibitions, including *On Point: The Royal Academy of Dance at 100*. Previously archivist for Rambert Dance Company and English National Ballet, she also established the Contemporary Dance Trust Archive. A frequent lecturer and writer, she has contributed to major publications including the *Oxford Dictionary of National Biography*. She was awarded an MBE for services to the arts in 2014 and is a patron of the European Association for Dance History (EADH).