

River Road

River Road is a joyful and empowering new dance project led by local City of Belmont resident and independent dance artist Giorgia Schijf—and she's calling on up to 50 women and girls from the City of Belmont to be part of it!



This unique, site-specific community dance work invites you to move, connect, and create along the beautiful river and waterways of your local area. You don't need any dance experience—just a sense of curiosity, creativity, and a willingness to try something new. If dance isn't your thing, there is also a visual art component of the project which may spark your interest! Whether you come with your daughter, your mum, your nan, or a friend, River Road is all about bonding, community, and making something meaningful together.

Over a series of fulfilling workshops, you'll help co-create a simple, beautiful performance to be shared by the river with the local community. This is your chance to be part of a project that celebrates female strength, connection to Country, climate care and hope, all while moving your body and meeting like-minded people. There's even potential for the project to grow into a full-scale production in 2026! Step outside your routine, move with purpose, and join us in creating something truly special and unique!

*the term 'women' is used in its most inclusive sense and we welcome people that describe their gender in other ways

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What kind of dance will it be?

This will be a combination of creative and contemporary movements inspired by the themes of the work. The movement will come from YOU, therefore we're creating dance to suit your body and abilities.

Who is this project for?

We invite women and young girls (from 5 years old and above) to participate in the project. There will be components of the project where the children and adults will work together, and other components where they will work separately. You don't need any dance experience – just a love for moving and a desire to be creative!

What should I bring to the workshops?

Please wear comfortable, stretchy clothes. Bring water and snacks.

Filming and photography

This project is being filmed for a short documentary. At times during the project, you may be approached for an interview or be photographed or filmed during workshops. Please let us know if you do not wish to participate in this.



Taster Workshops

Interested in participating in River Road? Giorgia is running no obligation **taster workshops** for you to find out more about the type of dance used, meet the artistic team and learn more about the themes of the project through movement tasks/games and creative discussions. You can simply show up to the workshop and we'll register you on the spot or register on our website via strutdance.org.au. It is best if you attend both taster workshops to give you a complete experience, however if you can only attend 1 day that is fine too. On the last day we will ask if you'd like to continue with the project (we hope you will!)

Day	Date	Start time	End time	Venue
Saturday	4 Oct 2025	10:00 am	12:00 pm	Rivervale Community Centre
Sunday	5 Oct 2025	2:00 pm	4:00 pm	Pazaz Dance Company

You can register for the workshops here.



Intensive Workshops

During these intensive weekends, we will choreograph the material you will perform in the final work. We make the dance to suit your body and abilities.

You will be required to attend at least 80% of these rehearsals to be involved in the performance.

Weekend 1

Day	Date	Start time	End time	Venue
Friday (Children)	7 Nov 2025	4:00 pm	6:00 pm	Pazaz Dance Company
Saturday (Adults)	8 Nov 2025	10:00 am	1:00 pm	Rivervale Community Centre
Sunday (ALL)	9 Nov 2025	12:00 pm	3:00 pm	Pazaz Dance Company

Weekend 2

Day	Date	Start time	End time	Venue
Friday (Children)	14 Nov 2025	4:00 pm	6:00 pm	Pazaz Dance Company
Saturday (Adults)	15 Nov 2025	10:00 am	1:00 pm	Rivervale Community Centre
Sunday (ALL)	16 Nov 2025	12:00 pm	3:00 pm	Pazaz Dance Company

Weekend 3 + Performance

Day	Date	Start time	End time	Venue
Friday (Children)	21 Nov 2025	4:00 pm	6:00 pm	Pazaz Dance Company / On-site
Saturday (Adults)	22 Nov 2025	10:00 am	1:00 pm	Rivervale Community Centre / On-site
Sunday (Dress Rehearsal)	23 Nov 2025	9:00 am	11:00 am	On-site (exact location TBC)
Sunday (Family + Friends show- ing)	23 Nov 2025	11:30 am	12:00 pm	On-site (exact location TBC)
Sunday (Performance)	23 Nov 2025	3:00 pm	3:30 pm	On-site (exact location TBC)

Project Wrap Up - Bring cake and tea!

Day	Date	Start time	End time
Sunday	7 Dec 2025	3:00 pm	4:00 pm

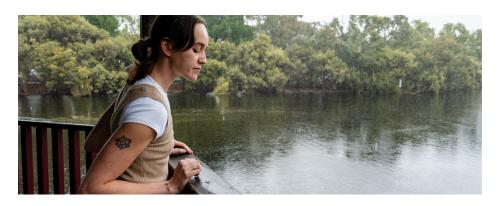
Further Information:

Rivervale Community Centre, Francisco St, Rivervale WA 6103

Pazaz Dance Company, 2 Frederick St, Belmont Rivervale WA 6103

When on-site, all minors (under 16 years of age) must always be accompanied by a responsible adult.

**You will be required to provide your own costumes for the performance. These costumes will be regular clothes that you already own that suit a particular colour scheme.



About Giorgia Schijf

Giorgia Schijf (She/Her) is an independent dancer, performer, choreographer, and producer based on Boorloo (Perth), graduating with a Bachelor of Arts (Dance) Honours from WAAPA in 2019.

As the director and co-founder of Enneagon Movement, she has led a collective of independent dance artists in creating innovative and accessible dance-theatre works; most notably 'Pursuit' (2022), 'Ignorance was Bliss' (2023 & 2024) and 'Hyperfantasia' (2025) winning the FRINGE WORLD WA Dance Award. Giorgia strives to create a stronger dance community through Enneagon Movement; providing weekly classes for professional dancers and seeking opportunities for choreographic development and performance for emerging dancers.

Giorgia has received a nomination for the Performing Arts WA Awards for 'Best Newcomer' in 2020, and STRUT Dance's LOCALE choreographic opportunity in 2024. Giorgia is also an esteemed performer within Boorloo's independent dance scene, performing in various shows by Sidi Larbi Cherkaoui, Scott Elstermann, Amelia Sagrabb and Brooke Leeder, as well as in her own works with Enneagon Movement.

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For more information about this project, you can email:

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