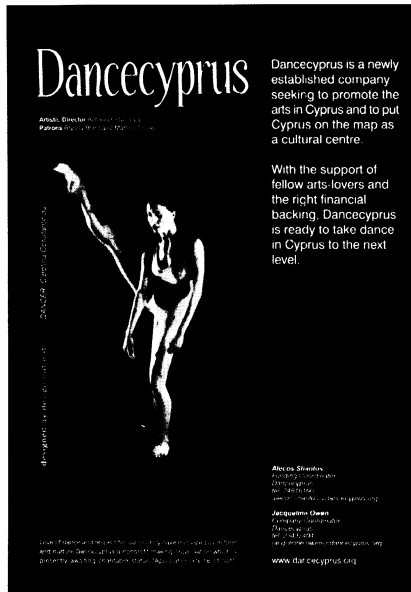


# What's On



**Dancecyprus**

Artistic Director: Antonio Colendrea  
#Dancecyprus

Dancecyprus is a newly established company seeking to promote the arts in Cyprus and to put Cyprus on the map as a cultural centre.

With the support of fellow arts-lovers and the right financial backing, Dancecyprus is ready to take dance in Cyprus to the next level.

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Over 100 people from all over the world auditioned for the first Dancecyprus performance. The company is currently seeking professional dancers to perform locally.



Antonio Colendrea

## Dancing for Cyprus...

Dancecyprus is an exciting new dance company that wants to give Cypriot dancers and choreographers the opportunity to work in their homeland and give local audiences the chance to enjoy much more dancing! The group was launched one year ago and in December will perform for the first time with young Cypriot dancers working alongside professional dancers from the UK, Greece, Italy, Austria and Albania. These dancers have been chosen from the 150 who were short-listed for auditions earlier this summer. Cyprus has no shortage of talented and enthusiastic dancers and choreographers, but until now, their frustration has been that there are limited opportunities to perform locally.

The opening performances of Dancecyprus will be taking place in mid-December and the dancers will be performing 'Sirens' - a colourful Mediterranean ballet by Antonio Colendrea which was commissioned by Dancecyprus for this occasion. The work is by the dynamic Italian choreographer Antonio Colendrea. DanceCyprus will also perform a

new work by Carolina Constantinou. Both pieces will be choreographed by Antonio Colendrea.

Dancecyprus has commissioned the two ballets to help establish the Cypriot identity of the company as Dancecyprus will be a cultural ambassador for Cyprus when it performs abroad. The dancers will be convening in Cyprus in October to begin work on their first performances and the company will be working in the pretty village of Lofou.

The patrons of Dancecyprus are Bryony Brind who is former principal of the Royal Ballet and Martino Tirimo who is Cypriot and a popular international concert pianist. The company's Artistic Director is Antonio Colendrea, who is a dynamic and innovative choreographer.

\* The opening performances by Dancecyprus of *Sirens* will be on Friday 15 December at the Municipal Theatre in Nicosia and on Wednesday 20, Thursday 21 December at the Pafos Municipal Theatre in Limassol.

\* For more information, please log onto: [www.dancecyprus.org](http://www.dancecyprus.org) or telephone Jacqueline Owen 25432404, or Alecos Shantos 24818160.