

Dear Friends of the Academy,

I would like to express my thanks and gratitude for the generous grant I received to assist my dance secondment with Strut Dance. This grant allowed me to participate in a two-week workshop with the Hofesh Shechter Company. The workshop was directed by Sam Coren and Fred Despierre following the company's unique choreography and methodology at the King Street Art Centre and the State Theatre Centre here in Perth.

This workshop attracted a large number of like-minded independent artists and performers from all over Australia and the Asia-Pacific region to experience this one of a kind seminal dance work. Each day was spend doing a morning warm up class which consisted of led improvisation tasks and set exercises to prepare our bodies and minds for the day ahead of us. Throughout the day we would learn a variety of the company's repertoire which was refined and developed in our bodies as the day would progress. Having this experience has really helped my creativity and practice of dance with a diverse viewpoint as an artist.

Thank you kindly, Friends of the Academy, for allowing me this incredible opportunity to further extend my studies and broaden my skills which will help me beyond graduation and further into my career.

Sincerely,  
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