

SUZIE SEARIGHT

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ABOUT

A DEFINING VOICE IN NORTH QUEENSLAND DANCE

Raised and based in Far North Queensland, Suzie Searight is a dance artist, movement director and choreographer whose work has become a defining voice in Townsville's contemporary dance scene — supported by Townsville City Council and the Regional Arts Development Fund, and recognised nationally through Australasian Dance Association Championship wins for work developed and premiered in North Queensland.

Her choreography interconnects dance with physical connection and emotional nuance, and is heavily informed by colour and the visual opportunities of performance.

Contemporary dance is fused with experimental movement that evokes raw emotion through the body with elevated physicality and matured intention. Her pieces carry an underlying nod to post-apocalyptic and dystopian themes, fuelling a sense of rebellion and emotive chaos with her audiences.

FOUNDATION

EDUCATION & QUALIFICATIONS

Bachelor of Fine Arts — Dance

Queensland University of Technology

2015 — 2017

Certificate in Ballet Teaching Studies

Royal Academy of Dance (RAD)

2017

Dance for Parkinson's — Certificate of Completion

People Dancing & Dance for Parkinson's Disease, introductory program and graded assessment

2018

REFERENCES

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Jane Pirani (FRAD)

Director, The Ann Roberts School of Dance
· Director, Ulysses Dancers ·
Choreographer, Teacher, Mentor
Contact details available on request.

Anamari Goicoechea

Creative Director, North Australian Festival of Arts (NAFA)

Contact details available on request.

EMPLOYMENT

PRACTICE & LEADERSHIP

● RESIDENT CHOREOGRAPHER

Ulysses Dancers 2019 — NOW

Creates and stages an original full-length contemporary work annually for the Ulysses Dancers' season, alongside company and community workshops.

● SENIOR TEACHING ARTIST & CHOREOGRAPHER

The Ann Roberts School of Dance 2019 — NOW

Senior contemporary teacher for elite studio dancers; advanced training and technique, choreographic works and competition pieces, plus adult contemporary, dance for matured bodies and introductory choreographic workshops.

● DANCE TEACHER & PROGRAM COORDINATOR

The Cathedral School of St Anne and St James 2022 — NOW

Directs the Prep—Year 12 extracurricular dance programme of more than 100 students across ballet, contemporary, jazz and hip hop, coaching three elite performance teams for competition and school representation.

● CREATIVE MOVEMENT TEACHER — SCHOOLS

North Queensland primary & secondary schools 2021 — NOW

Curriculum choreography, movement workshops and collaborative performances, including work with refugee communities within schools.

● COMMUNITY OPEN CLASS FACILITATOR

Dancenorth Australia 2019 — 2025

Adult ballet and contemporary, Dance for Parkinson's, and classes for people with disability with Dancenorth's community team.

CHOREOGRAPHIC WORKS

- **THE MAZE**
2026
Ulysses Dancers · Townsville Civic Theatre
★ Sponsored by Townsville City Council
- **INIKO**
2025
The Ann Roberts School of Dance · Seymour Centre Sydney
★ Australasian Dance Association Championship —
Lyrical/Expressive Winner
- **BODY GODLY**
2025
The Ann Roberts School of Dance · Seymour Centre Sydney
★ Australasian Dance Association Championship —
Contemporary Winner
- **THE ARTIST'S PALETTE**
2025
Echo Dance Troupe, The Cathedral School · Townsville Civic Theatre
- **BENEATH THE HORIZON**
2025
Ulysses Dancers · Townsville Civic Theatre
- **VOICES**
2025
The Ann Roberts School of Dance · Townsville Civic Theatre
- **PROLOGUE**
2024
The Ann Roberts School of Dance
★ Most Outstanding Performance Group — Townsville Eisteddfod
- **LA VOZ DE LA NOSTALGIA**
2024
Echo Dance Troupe, The Cathedral School · Townsville Civic Theatre
- **STANDING ON THE HORIZON**
2024
Ulysses Dancers · Townsville Civic Theatre
- **BANANA LIFE**
2024
The Ann Roberts School of Dance
- **MAYBE NOW**
2023
The Ann Roberts School of Dance · Townsville Civic Theatre
- **POSE**
2023
Wearable Art Creatives × Ulysses Dancers · Northern Australian Festival of the Arts
- **LOTUSLAND**
2023
Ulysses Dancers · Townsville Civic Theatre
★ Sponsored by Townsville City Council
- **HUMAN**
2022
Ulysses Dancers · Townsville Civic Theatre
- **POSE**
2021
Wearable Art Creatives × Ulysses Dancers · Northern Australian Festival of the Arts
- **TIME AND TIDE WAIT FOR NO MAN**
2021
Ulysses Dancers · Townsville Civic Theatre
- **THE CURRENT**
2020
Ulysses Dancers · Ann Roberts School of Dance Studios
★ Regional Arts Development Fund

MOVEMENT DIRECTION · MUSICAL CHOREOGRAPHY

MUSICAL THEATRE

- **ONCE UPON A ONE MORE TIME**
2026
The Cathedral School
- **LEGALLY BLONDE**
2024
The Cathedral School
- **FREAKY FRIDAY**
2023
Townsville Choral Society
- **CHESSE**
2023
North Queensland Opera and Musical Theatre
- **CHARLIE AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY**
2021
Townsville Choral Society