

NOMINATIONS FOR YOUTH SERVICES COMMITTEE – CONVENOR



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As a two-year member of the Youth Services Committee I enjoyed the commitment I could show for young dancers' events. I co-organised Spring Fling (and Fringe) in Bonn, helped with Spring Fling in Glasgow and assisted with Junior Summer School, all of which events confirmed my idea that it is great to have 'young dancers spaces', but also to offer opportunities for them to mingle with dancers of all ages in the evenings. Watching members of the children's course in St Andrews dance self-confidently on the social dance

floor was a pleasure.

Together with the other committee members I want to continue work on the Virtual Festival and the Young Dancers Week. We also started thinking of how to initiate a family weekend – a project we'll bring to life over the next few years. Another focus of our current work are scholarships because we believe that young dancers all over the world need financial support to connect and enjoy the lively, international atmosphere of Scottish Country Dancing.

I work at a vocational college, teaching English and German as a foreign language to young people of different cultural and educational backgrounds. Addressing young adults is thus part of my great job.