

Trainer

Organisation	Galway Community Circus (GCC)
Location	St Joseph's Community Centre, Ashe Road, Shantalla, Galway, H91 A4VW
Hours	Full-Time
Salary	€30-€33,000 pa dependent on experience
Closing Date	7 th November 2025
Interviews	W/C 17 th November
Job Starts	January 2026
Application Process	To apply for this position, please send your CV and a cover letter outlining your relevant experience and why you are interested in this role to recruitment@galwaycircus.com.

About Us

Galway Community Circus is Ireland's flagship for youth and social circus, located in the heart of Galway City. Our mission is to foster the growth of youth circus in Ireland and internationally through our dynamic circus school. Our vision is a future in which play, care and creativity are nurtured through circus education accessible to every child in Ireland. We provide access to high-quality subsidised circus arts education through our circus school offering youth and adult programmes for over 600 weekly students as well as professional training and community programmes in partnership with those who have specific social or developmental needs. We provide artist supports, training and mentoring and lead the development of youth circus in Ireland through our academic, national and international partnerships.

Roles and Responsibilities

Teaching

- Deliver GCC classes and workshops as needed
- Teach a range of skills from beginners to advanced level
- Teach during youth and adult circus classes and outreach programmes, and participate in other GCC projects as appropriate
- Teaching ay include groups with specific challenges

Health and Safety

- Ensure that learners feel safe (both physically and emotionally) when attending GCC activities
- Report health and safety / equipment / maintenance needs to Head Trainer/Technical Manager

Customer Relations

- Ensure that learners feel welcome, respected and that they belong at GCC
- Attend regular trainer planning meetings
- Engage with evaluation of youth and adult circus programmes

Communication

• Attend internal and external meetings as appropriate

Skills and Qualifications

Essential

- Ability to teach a variety of aerial, acrobatic, manipulation or balancing skills, with at least one specialisation to a high standard
- Experience of teaching skills on a regular basis
- Ability to structure routines and work creatively towards performances, as well as honing skills
- Knowledge of fitness techniques, healthy conditioning, stretching, specific for circus arts
- Excellent communication skills
- Good timekeeping
- Ability to work as part of a team
- Positive attitude
- Willingness to work flexible hours, evenings and weekends
- Ability to work inclusively with a range of participants.

Desirable

- Teaching qualifications
- Ability to structure courses and plan progressions
- Experience of leading a team
- First Aid qualification
- Rigging experience
- Clean Driving Licence

Galway Community Circus is committed to creating a diverse and inclusive workplace. We welcome applications from people of all backgrounds and experiences, particularly those who are underrepresented in the arts. You must be legally authorised to work in Ireland to accept this role.