

## TQ faculty



**Claire Coleman (MA, PGCE, BA HONS)** trained at London College of Dance (1996-1999), achieving a BA Hons in Dance, ISTD Associate Teaching Qualifications and winning the **Pamela Wray Choreographic Award**. Her interest in choreographic practice led her to continue her post-graduate studies at Middlesex University through an MA in Choreography (1999-2001). In 1999, Claire formed '**BE' (ballevolution) Dance Company**. Under her Artistic Directorship the company produced a large repertoire of new works, which have been performed nationally, including; The Harlow Playhouse (*Can You Hear the Whisper of Angels Footsteps*, 1999) CBSO Centre Birmingham, BIG; Making Work (*DIAS*, 2000) The Richmond Festival; Leap into Dance (*Liquid Still*, 2001) The Ryan Theatre, London; REACH charity performance (*La Belle Vie*, *LOVE<sup>2</sup>* and *The Box Room*, 2003) The Basement, Brighton Fringe Festival, Brighton Media Centre (*Kitchen Dogs*, 2008/9).

As a Freelance Choreographer Claire has produced works that have been performed nationally for choreographic platforms, festivals and commissions. These include; Hertsdance Company, The Palace Theatre (Westcliffe), FRESHAIR (Dance for Screen) and 4WALL (Fashion Show, The Fashion and Textile Museum, London), Brighton Fringe Festival and Brighton Fashion Week. Most recently she established and curated the Dance Artists CPD programme, South East (BDN, UoB and SED).

Educationally, Claire has worked in a range of learning environments both nationally and internationally, including; **Stagedoor Manor Performing Arts Institute, New York** (Choreographer and Dance Teacher), Hertsdance Agency (Dance Development Officer), Harrow School (Choreographer and Dance Summer School Coordinator) and for various Independent Dance Schools, Further and Higher Education institutes across London and the Southeast.

Following her eight years as Course Leader for the Foundation Degree in Contemporary Dance (University of Brighton/Sussex Downs College), Claire now acts as a Dance Educationalist, Senior Lecturer for BBOdance and A Level Dance Teacher at BHASVIC College, Brighton.