GCSE Dance Knowledge Organiser – Emancipation of Expressionsm

Stimulus The music – Til Enda by Olafur Arnalds. The importance of being free to express yourself as an individual and through hip- hop movement
<u>Themes</u> Order, chaos, unity, individuality
Choreographic Intention Emotional journey

Theme of order and chaos

A journey through life

Aural Setting

Urban dubstep style music. Classical sections. Repetitive beats and sounds. Repeated vocal 'The One'.

Dancers

17 9 male 8 female

Choreographic Approach

Choreographer worked collaboratively with the dancers.

Signature motifs of the company used throughout. (Ninja motifs) Developed using devices and formations Specific attention to the aural setting – direct correlation.

Set

No set. Smoke is used. Black walls and black floor. White cyc for ending.

Dance Style

Hip-hop (poppin' lockin' waackin' breakin' krumpin')

Choreographer Kendrick Sandy

Tattoos and jewellery.

Costume

Blue t-shirts and jeans. Grey trainers white sole

Performance

Environment Proscenium arch

Lighting

Blue wash, blue pools, white sidelight from off stage. Purple on cyclorama.

Costume Contributions

Stimulus - Expressing individuality - allowance of personal jewellery, hairstyles and tattoos reflects the stimulus of expressing yourself. **Intention** – Intention of 'Order and Chaos' is shown as all dancers wearing the same creates order

Mood – dark coloured clothing contributes to a dark and serious mood. Complements other components – use of blue colour complements the blue lighting

Uniformity – all dancers wearing the same creates uniformity **Gender** – costumes are gender neutral which represents equality despite of gender

Sculpts body – although not tightly fitted, the shapes of the sleeves allow the lower arm to be seen while performing intricate gestures. **Historical context** – clothing suggests modern day as is typical urban

Social context – simple costumes suggests the social context is of middle-lower social class.

Set Contributions

Stimulus – Free to express through hip-hop – No set = no distractions from the movement

Intention – Life's journey – dark and secluded set creates a sense of a womb

Complements other components – dark set and floor complement the dark coloured jeans worn by the dancers **Context** – dark and secluded set creates a context of a womb

Mood – dark and secluded set creates a tense and serious mood

Aural Setting Contributions

style seen worn from 1990's onwards.

Stimulus – Individuality – use of the vocal 'The One' suggests individuality and being 'one' or unique.

Intention – Order and Chaos – rapidly changing tempos and beats create a sense of chaos.

Mood – Use of classical section uplifts the mood to a hopeful one **Complements other components –** use of fluid sounding classical music complements the liquid style lighting creating a sense of being submersed in water.

Historical setting – the music starts very modern with dubstep type beats, but progresses to classical music suggesting a step back in time. **Climax** – Til Enda is used as a climax for the piece contrasting with the previous sections

Structure - Each of the 4 sections has its own distinctive section of aural setting aiding the audiences following of the structure.

Lighting Contributions

Stimulus – Freedom of expression – spotlights highlight dancers to express themselves in their own moment in the 'limelight'.

Theme – Order and Chaos – flashing lights create a sense of chaos

Mood – dark intensity creates an intense mood

Complements other components – Blue colour complements blue costumes

Highlights dancer – spotlights highlights dancers in their solos Sculpts body – side light sculpts the bodies of the dancers as they scramble towards it

Highlights dance space – sides not lit to create a central focus, centre of the stage is lit

Context – blue creates a sense of liquid, as though inside a womb.