

## **JOB DESCRIPTION**

<b>Job title:</b>	Breaking Event Technical Director, 2022 WDSF European Breaking Championships
<b>Reporting to:</b>	Stakeholder Management Board
<b>Location:</b>	Remote working with travel to Manchester as required
<b>Fixed Fee:</b>	£17k (inclusive of pre-event travel and accommodation expenses)
<b>Hours of work:</b>	Full Time over the contract period
<b>Contractual status:</b>	Fixed Term contract (self-employed basis)
<b>Start date:</b>	16 <sup>th</sup> September 2022
<b>End date:</b>	November 2022

### **Introduction:**

Breaking GB (BGB), the National Governing Body (NGB) for Breaking in Britain, was created at the start of 2021 by an established team of passionate professionals from the UK breaking scene to provide a vehicle to elevate the culture, community and performance pathways for competitive dancers through funding, training, education, facilities and nationwide initiatives.

The WDSF European Breaking Championship is a high-profile event in the Breaking international calendar for which the UK has been awarded the hosting rights in 2022.

The event, supported by event partners Manchester City Council and UK Sport, will be hosted at the National Basketball Performance Centre, Manchester, from 5<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> November 2022, featuring c. 200 breakers from across Europe including 85-95 breakers from the UK.

As one of the five major continental championships that takes place annually, the event provides premium world ranking points towards the Breaking for Gold World Series ranking list which will directly count towards qualification for Olympic Games.

### **Job Purpose and Responsibilities:**

The key role of the Breaking Event Technical Director is to ensure the delivery of the best ever European Championships for Breaking in the short time frame which is available between now and November. As such, we are looking for an experienced, dynamic and creative Event Director with exceptional leadership and project management skills.

You will be accountable for the delivery of a world class event and must exhibit a strong understanding of the culture, community and technical requirements of the sport.

## **1. RESPONSIBILITIES**

- 1.1. To ensure that the strategic direction of the event is maintained in line with the objectives of the Stakeholder Management Board and ensure the effective flow of information up to the Stakeholder Management Board via regular reporting and meetings.
- 1.2. To drive the appointment of key members of the Local Organising Committee (LOC) including a Breaking Assistant Event Technical Director, Production Manager, Head of Communications, Competition Manager, Hospitality Co-ordinator, Staff & Volunteer Manager and Venue Manager.
- 1.3. To lead the LOC ensuring that an effective project management system is put in place and that key milestones are met throughout the duration of the project.
- 1.4. To oversee the technical delivery of the sport including venue set up, athlete services, venue logistics, sports presentation set up and broadcast requirements.
- 1.5. To oversee planning and delivery across all functional areas of the event.
- 1.6. To manage any agency appointments and local partnerships as required.
- 1.7. To directly manage emergency planning and emergency services liaison, risk management, contingency planning and readiness.
- 1.8. To manage the event budget, responding proactively to any potential issues and opportunities as they arise.
- 1.9. To respond to any other event related requirements, as may be reasonably required from time to time, contributing to the successful delivery of the event on time and within budget.
- 1.10. To provide all post event evaluation and reporting as required by the Stakeholder Management Board.
- 1.11. To ensure that all requirements of the WDSF hosting contract are adhered to and that the relevant approvals are secured as required.

## **2. CORE COMPETENCIES AND REQUIREMENTS**

- 2.1. Proven track record of successfully leading the delivery of major Breaking events in the UK on behalf of a number of stakeholders.
- 2.2. Experience of working with host cities and the Breaking community to deliver events which support the requirements of the highest level of breakers in the UK.
- 2.3. Experience of delivering international breaking events, engaging with the international breaking community and international rights holders.
- 2.4. A strong understanding of and passion for creating exceptional event environments for breakers and all other associated client groups.
- 2.5. Excellent project management skills - can show ability to develop plans and manage successful delivery against those plans to ensure desired outcomes are achieved on time and within budget.
- 2.6. Excellent organisational skills and a high level of attention to detail.
- 2.7. Behaves in a professional, fair and transparent manner; resilient and able to work under pressure and act on own initiative.
- 2.8. Effective contract management experience – able to work with a variety of contractors in parallel.
- 2.9. Experience of forecasting, managing and reporting on complex event budgets.
- 2.10. Excellent communication and inter-personal skills; the ability to build and lead a high performing team of event professionals, event partners, external providers and volunteers.
- 2.11. Flexible approach to work with a willingness to travel to meetings and site visits as is reasonably required to ensure the successful delivery of the event.
- 2.12. Strong risk management and problem-solving skills with an ability to effectively identify issues, evaluate and implement solutions.

- 2.13. Proficient IT and technology skills.
- 2.14. Availability to commit to being on-site in Manchester, for the delivery of the 2022 WDSF Breaking Championships between 3rd and 7<sup>th</sup> November 2022.

### **3. DESIRABLE SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE**

- 3.1. Knowledge of the structure and events on the UK and international Breaking scene, World Dance Sport Federation (WDSF), International Olympic Committee (IOC) and the UK sporting landscape.
- 3.2. Existing relationships within the UK Breaking scene, supporting the appointment of an experienced team who will need to develop plans within a limited timeframe.
- 3.3. Demonstrable ability to implement innovation to event delivery.
- 3.4. Clean driving license.
- 3.5. Educated to degree level or equivalent.

### **4. HOW TO APPLY**

Please send your CV and a covering letter detailing why you are the right person for the role to Yawar Abbas, Head of Sport and Events, MCRActive by email: [y.abbas@MCRactive.com](mailto:y.abbas@MCRactive.com)

**Closing date for applications:** Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2022

**Phone interviews:** Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2022

**Confirmation of appointment:** Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2022

*We welcome and encourage applications from everyone regardless of gender, race, religion, marital status, disability, age, and sexual orientation.*