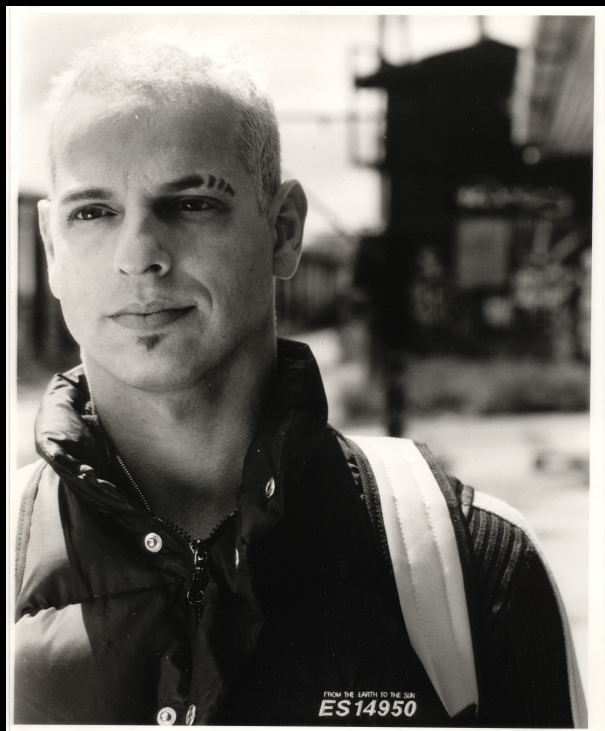


ARCH ILIAS

HIP-HOP WORKSHOPS



Dancer, performer and choreographer Arch Ilias is one of Australia's leading hip-hop artists, and also an amazing teacher.

Arch contextualises the increasingly popular style of hip-hop within the wider framework of dance and society... and gets all the students breaking, blocking, freezing and popping with the best!

As well as learning unbelievably cool dance moves in the shortest possible time, all your students will learn life lessons about *focus*, *respect*, *teamwork* and *confidence* along the way.

The workshops also tie in with themes of *fitness*, *health*, *self-esteem*, and *healthy living* – which correspond with elements of the *Australian Curriculum: Health and Physical Education*.

You'll be surprised at what your students can accomplish in a 1-hour workshop! Arch encourages everyone to have a go; by the end of a workshop, every student – regardless of ability – will feel like they have achieved something.

The Performer

The original founding member of WickidForce & UnitdStyles Hiphop Movement, Arch has been dancing professionally for over 10 years.

Specialising in Hip-hop / Breaking / Popping & Locking, he has performed in various arenas around the world, supporting such acts as The Black Eyed Peas, Guy Sebastian & Shannon Knoll, Joel Turner, TvRock & the Rogue Traders, Kurtis Blow, Kaylan-Disco Montago, Groove Terminator, Islanda, CDB & more. He has also appeared in several TV shows & TV commercials. His crew, WickidForce, are three times Australian National Breakdance Champions and have represented Australia in the World Breakdancing Title's *Battle of the Year* several times.

Duration: 45–60 minutes

Number of students per workshop: 25—30 is ideal (although if necessary Arch can take up to 50 students)

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FEEDBACK FOR ARCH ILIAS

Arch engaged & challenged the students. The workshops were well paced & fun. Arch is **articulate, knowledgeable** and **friendly**. We would love to have Arch visit us again." *Kilvington Grammar School*

"Students were very enthusiastic. They were **amazed** by his break dancing ability. Arch got all the boys involved, taught them the basics but also showed them what was possible with dedication and training." *St Joseph's College Geelong*

"Students had a great time participating in the workshops. Quite a few of our students take part in a local hip hop school and these students were very focussed on improving their repertoire or skills. Students with less dance skills still enjoyed having a go and having a laugh with their friends.

A quote from a year 9 boy: "He (Arch) was good. **He was better than good, he was incredibly awesome! I went home and practiced all night.**"

Arch quickly earned the respect of students with his great skill level. It was amazing to see all students giving it a go and having fun. Some students would have loved to have longer with Arch. Afterwards I saw students continuing to practice moves. The workshops with Arch brought smiles to many faces." *Timboon P-12 School*

"Students loved it! Kept coming back for more all morning. Great! **All students were involved and engaged.**" *Heywood & District Secondary College*

"It was great to see all the students engaged and enjoying themselves. They used a lot of **persistence, listening, supportive behaviour**... It incorporated many skills they already knew and it was interesting to them." *Bundarra Primary School*

"Boys – loved the challenge and the physical aspect. Girls – enjoyed learning a dance which they could show others later and went home and showed their parents.

Arch was a brilliant presenter. He did different activities with the boys and girls which were **well targeted at their skill level**. He developed rapport with the students in the short time and they continued to speak about the session for days afterwards!"

St Mary's College Seymour

"Students were very **excited, focused, enthusiastic** and learnt a lot! It was an amazing experience for the students. Arch was very clear and personable. The students **loved it!**" *Norlane High School*

"Really enjoyed the day. Arch taught everyone a lot in a short period of time."

Tyrrell College

"Students enjoyed the challenge to learn something new. They **never thought they'd be able to hip hop but Arch made it possible**. They thought Arch was awesome. Students related well to Arch, **even the boys that are usually disengaged were really in there** trying all the moves. He put the students on an even footing and surprised them with what they could do if they listened and tried." *Tyrrell College*

"Fantastic! They loved it. Arch worked really hard and all students participated. **We want him back next year.**"

Yarram Secondary College