

## Emma Gerrett – Vice President of Welfare



Hello! I'm Emma and I'm a final year Masters student at Trinity Laban. I've been here a long old time (I also did my undergrad here) so I understand how important it is to have a good support system when you're at conservatoire. Last year I received support from the counselling system at Trinity Laban and I really valued having that space to work on my mental health. I'm excited to help people feel safe and supported while they're studying at Trinity Laban, and to build a closer relationship with our fantastic counselling team.

### What I want to do:

- Use the SU space for more welfare themed events e.g. therapy dog days and coffee mornings
- Make sure all students are aware of the support that is available to them through the counselling system and destigmatise working on your mental health
- Support Niamh in the planning of events during Pride and other celebrations that represent our diverse community at Trinity Laban
- Make sure the student body are aware of the free products such as tampons and condoms that are available to them
- Work and build a good relationship with the wider student body to help people feel comfortable. I want people to feel that they can talk to me about anything they may be going through, regardless of whether it is studies related
- Improve accessibility to SU spaces
- Ensure people feel welcomed at every event that is put on by the SU

### How am I going to do it:

- Make information about the Trinity Laban counselling service easy to access
- Work closely with Adri and the rest of the team to ensure the voices of students belonging to minority groups are heard
- Build a good relationship with the lead counsellor Sarah Hall and the newly appointed mental health adviser so that I can support students in the best possible way
- Promote Trinity Laban support services such as Student Services and Learning Support
- I am a welfare officer for one of my current workplaces so my ongoing learning in this job role will help me be equipped to support the student body

Finally, if you have any questions feel free to email me at: [emma.g16@edu.trinitylaban.ac.uk](mailto:emma.g16@edu.trinitylaban.ac.uk). I'm looking forward to chatting with you all – and make sure you vote!!!