

Ashley Banjo, Kimberly Wyatt and Adam Garcia talk to best's Siobhan Wykes about Got to Dance

It's the fifth year of Got To Dance.
How do you all get on with the show's presenter Davina McCall?
ASHLEY We're good friends outside the show and I'm often round her house. Her son Chester loves to dance, too – so I've given him a couple of tutorials. He's a great dancer.
ADAM Davina's gorgeous – and she's excited about the live shows.
KIMBERLY I love her to bits.

Ashley proves he

has the moves

As well as judging, you're also mentoring acts.
Whose team will win?
KIMBERLY Now that's a bit of a battle! But the winner's on my team for sure.

ADAM [Chokes] I wouldn't say you were that competitive, Kim. Now Ashley – he's brazenly competitive!

ASHLEY I'm horrific. It's just in my genes – I can't change. The show's a little bit like *The Voice* – you have to sell yourself to the team. And there was a moment when Kimberly and I almost had a fight, because the vote didn't go the way I was expecting.

Are you nervous about the live shows beginning?

ASHLEY Yes. I feel very involved and invested – I'm emotional about my acts.

ADAM It will be emotionally gruelling when we start to lose people, yes.

The youngest one in my team is 12, so that would be quite difficult. But,

oddly, the younger contestants seem to be philosophical about the outcome – maybe they feel they've less to lose. KIMBERLY For me, it's all about hunger. All I can

do is mentor and help my acts to be the very best they can be – so the competition is wide open for me. Will you dance with the contestants?

so it could only be with one of them.
You seem to get on well as a panel,
Do you play jokes on each other?
KIMBERLY Ashley plays pranks!
ASHLEY One night, I told Adam that
the warm-up guy had just announced
him - he hadn't - so he went out on
stage. The crowd stared and he ran off!

ADAM Maybe - we each have six acts,

Do any of you have a party trick?

ADAM When I drink, I become sexy.

KIMBERLY Did you just say that?

ASHLEY Oh wow [laughs and claps]. Couldn't you just say you have a great dance move?

● Got To Dance, every Saturday, 8pm, Sky1





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