

FDEO

Florida Dance Education Organization

Advancing Dance Education Centered in the Arts



Save the Date!

The 2014 FDEO Annual Conference will be hosted by the University of South Florida October 16-18, 2014



National Honor Society for Dance Arts: Secondary Program

Founded in 2005, the National Honor Society for Dance Arts (NHSDA) is one of the most exciting benefits that NDEO offers and FDEO manages for all Florida Institutional Members. All Institutional Members, whether a private or public middle or high school, dance studio/academy, performing arts center or community center, are eligible to establish a chapter of the NHSDA for the benefit of their students. Visit the [FDEO Website](#) or contact [Jennifer Simmers](#), NHSDA Chair for additional information.

Employment Opportunities

Pearson is in need of performing arts educators to score edTPA. The position requires a part-time commitment, in addition to the following:

Expertise in the subject matter or developmental level of the teaching field

(degree and/or professional experience)

Teaching experience in that field (or teaching methods or supervising student teachers in that field)

Experience mentoring or supervising beginning teachers



Beyond the Test: Mentoring for Artistic Engagement

Registration Now Open!

For the first time ever, the Florida Dance Performance Assessment (FDPA) and National Honor Society for Dance Arts (NHSDA) concert and workshops will be held jointly to shape a two-day symposium titled ***Beyond the Test: Mentoring for Artistic Engagement***. The event will be held at Howard W. Blake High School Magnet in Tampa, Florida on March 1-2 of 2014.

Beyond the Test: Mentoring for Artistic Engagement incorporates protocols aligned with the current research and best practices in performing arts assessment and is designed to enhance students' access to a well-balanced curriculum. Beyond the Test provides students with the opportunity to practice performance, critical thinking, problem solving, and reflective skills that are transferable to other academic areas.

Please [click](#) here to apply.

Ballet Instructor

The Osceola County School for the Performing Arts School, Grades 6th- 12th

Start Date: January 1, 2014

Primary Responsibilities:

The applicant will teach all levels of ballet technique/variations, pointe, and dance history. Additional responsibilities include choreographing for all main stage dance productions, directing dance concerts, advise/mentor students, leadership in dance fieldtrips. Start date is January 1, 2014. B.F.A in Dance preferred .

Salary: Contact the School District of Osceola County for salary schedule

Application Process: Submit a letter of interest and resume to:

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Kissimmee, FL 34744

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Phone: (407) 931-4803

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The Florida Dance Association Presents The Gulfcoast Young Dancers Workshop

The Gulfcoast Young Dancers Workshop will be held Jan. 18-19, 2014 at Electa Lee Middle School in Bradenton. For registration forms and more information email fuziondance@gmail.com

Click [here](#) to read about the event.

Teacher Certification & Evaluation

Governor Rick Scott recently signed Senate Bill 1664 and House Bill 7009, both relating to education, into law with an effective date of July 1, 2013. Their provisions address numerous areas, including instructional personnel and school administrator performance evaluations, as well as educator certification and state-approved teacher preparation programs.

Senate Bill 1664 and HB 7009 may be viewed online at

<http://laws.flrules.org/2013/185> and <http://flsenate.gov/Session/Bill/2013/7009/BillText/er/PDF>.

NDEO Discussion Forums

If you are looking for ideas, resources, information, jobs or discussion topics related to your interests or areas of expertise, join an NDEO Forum. The forums enable you to get answers from dance educators across the country. It's so easy!

During the two-day seminar, students can participate in **FDPA**, the **NHSDA** Concert, mock audition for college programs, and take master classes with an impressive lineup of professional teaching artists and university professors. Students participating in FDPA will demonstrate on demand and previously prepared choreography to be assessed by adjudicators. Following the review of the written evaluation, adjudicators, students, and teachers from each school will engage in a reflective discussion to address areas of mastery, as well as areas that are in need of improvement. Participation will provide teachers with collegial support, a variety of instructional strategies to increase learning outcomes and sound methods to streamlining assessment procedures. Public, private and charter school dance programs from Florida and Georgia are encouraged to attend.

Dr. Tenaj Davis, President of the Florida Dance Education Organization emphasizes, "Beyond the Test: Mentoring for Artistic Engagement is not a competition, but an incredibly rejuvenating educational experience designed to enhance professional practice and improve student performance."

Students in grades 7-12 are invited to attend. Please visit the **FDEO Website** to access registration forms. If you have questions, or require additional information, please contact FDEO Board Members **Kelly Rayl** or **Jennifer Simmers**.

Please [click](#) here to complete the Beyond the Test Intent Survey today!



FDEO Board with Nigel Lythgoe and NDEO Executive Director Susan McGreevy-Nichols

FDEO Highlights at the 2013 NDEO Conference

1. Go to the [NDEO Website](#)
2. Click Member login in the upper right hand corner of the screen
3. Click 'Online Forums'
4. Click on a topic!

FDEO Happenings & K-12 Resources

- [Click here to peek at the FDEO 2012 Photo Journal](#)
- [Click here to read the NHSDA article in Dance Studio Life](#)
- Click [here](#) to learn about the Florida Race to the Top Performing Fine Arts Assessment Project
- Click [here](#) to read *Evidence: A Report on the Impact of Dance in the K-12 Setting* by NDEO
- [Next Generation Sunshine State Standards \(NGSSS\) in Dance](#)
- [All Florida K-12 Revised Arts Course Descriptions Have Now Been Uploaded to CPALMS](#)
- [Florida Department of Education NGSSS & Common Core Presentation by John J. Letellier Jr.](#)
- [National Core Arts Standards: A Conceptual Framework for Arts Learning](#)
- [Florida Division of Cultural Affairs: Arts in Education](#)



FDEO: Forging the Infinite Possibilities of Dance Education Centered in the Arts

Join Today!

Once you join our national organization, you automatically become a member of Florida Dance Education Organization. In order to join you must go to the [FDEO Membership Page](#). From there, you will be provided a simple paperless transaction and you are automatically a member.

The NDEO Conference 2014 was a huge success!

FDEO highlights included the Pre-Conference Tour of Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) Exemplary Arts Programs and the Daniel Lewis Miami Dance Sampler.

The Grand Opening Miami Sharing Performance and Awards Ceremony, produced by FDEO featured group and solo performances by award winning National Honor Society for Dance Arts Chapters and choreography by nationally recognized dance educator, Mr. William Evans. The event also included the presentation of awards to FDEO distinguished guests Myrna and Sheldon Palley, Dennis Edwards and Mark Steinberg in recognition of their support of the arts in the state of Florida.

It was during the Miami Sharing Performance and Awards Ceremony that Nigel Lythgoe, executive producer of So You Think You Can Dance, announced the newly formed partnership between the Dizzy Feet Foundation and NDEO. Lastly, FDEO was extremely proud to have [Alberto Carvalho, Superintendent of M-DCPS](#) as the keynote speaker who wowed the crowd with a moving and inspirational address at the Grand Closing Dinner. [Kudos to all who participated!](#)



[21st Century K-12 Dance Education: An Investigation of Who, What, Where and How](#)

National Research Study via an Online Survey

As many of you already know the National Dance Education Organization (NDEO) is

implementing a nation-wide research study aimed at identifying how dance is taught in K-12 public and private schools across the US. The first phase of this initiative was the K-12 Dance Education Data Collection Project (Jan. to Nov. 2013) where teachers completed a short online form with contact and demographic data regarding the K-12 school(s) where they teach dance.

The next phase of this initiative is the implementation of the nation-wide research study in the form of an online survey with much more detailed questions, titled [21st Century K-12 Dance Education: An Investigation of Who, What, Where, and How](#). This survey will highlight what kind of dance is being offered, how is it being taught, who is teaching it, what kinds of credentials the teachers have, what kinds of support, environments and standards are being used, how many student are benefiting from dance, etc.

FDEO IS ASKING ALL K-12 DANCE TEACHERS TO TAKE THIS SURVEY

*If you teach at multiple K-12 schools you **may** have to fill out the survey multiple times, once for each school.*



The Florida Alliance for Arts Education

The Florida Alliance for Arts Education (FAAE) is seeking session proposals for each regional symposium that focus on integrating the arts with other academic areas in Florida's PK - 12 educational settings, both in school and outside of school.

Series is scheduled for Saturdays from 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. in Jacksonville, Ft. Myers, Tampa, and Panama City.

Please visit the [FAAE](#) website for dates and additional information



Contemporary Dance History

Congratulations to FDEO Advisory Members Dr. Thomas Hagood & Dr. Luke Kahlich on their amazing new work titled *Perspectives on Contemporary Dance History: Revisiting Impulse, 1950–1970*. This new text and the IMPULSE digital collection in Temple University's Paley Library will certainly be useful to historians, artists, scholars, students, faculty, administrators, and anyone interested in understanding the performing arts culture in America.

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