



# 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.



### The Holiday Inn Express is the Official Beyond the Test: Mentoring for Artistic Engagement Hotel

The Holiday Inn Express is located at 4750 North Dale Mabry Highway, Tampa, FL 33614. The phone # is 813-877-6061. The FDEO block rate is \$87.20 +12% tax per night. Complimentary breakfast included. [Hotel Website](#)

The Hampton Inn is the overflow hotel. The Hampton Inn is located at 4817 West Laurel Street, Tampa, FL 33607. The phone # is (813) 287-0778. The FDEO block rate is \$139.00 + 12% tax, per night. Complimentary hot breakfast included. [Hotel Website](#)



### FDEO Board Member Toranika Washington Named Broward County Dance Arts Teacher of the Year

Congrats to FDEO Board Member [Toranika Washington](#) named [Broward County Dance Arts Teacher of the Year](#) by the Broward Cultural Division and Business for the Arts of Broward. The Broward County Arts Teacher of the Year Awards Program celebrates and showcases the artistic excellence of students and faculty of Broward County schools. The Broward County Arts Teacher of the Year Program is managed via a partnership between Broward Cultural Division, the School Board of Broward County, Broward Center for the Performing Arts, and Business for the Arts of Broward. The principal sponsors include Florida Power & Light,

## Employment Opportunities

### Tenure-Track Associate or Assistant Professor, Ballet Critical Studies/Theory, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT

University of Utah Department of Ballet seeks Tenure-track Associate or Assistant Professor in the area of Critical Studies/Theory in Ballet to begin Fall 2014.

Application information and a full description can be found online at <http://www.employment.utah.edu/> (PRN00709F) Tenure-line. For additional information, please see [www.ballet.utah.edu](http://www.ballet.utah.edu) or contact Chair of search committee: [Richard.wacko@utah.edu](mailto:Richard.wacko@utah.edu). Application review will begin January 20, 2014.

### Assistant Professor in Dance, Modern/Contemporary, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL

**POSITION:** ASSISTANT PROFESSOR IN DANCE, DEPARTMENT OF THEATRE AND DANCE, TENURE TRACK, nine month position. **REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:** M.F.A. or Ph.D. in dance. Evidence of nationally recognized performance experience and choreography. Evidence of teaching excellence in modern/contemporary dance technique and choreography or dance technology. **APPLICATION:** Application review will begin January 1, 2014 and continue until the position is filled. To apply, go to <http://jobs.us.edu> and complete the online application. Attach a letter of application and curriculum vitae. Please send 3 current letters of recommendation, writing samples and other supporting materials such as a link to your website, DVDs or an electronic portfolio to: Sarah M. Barry, Search Committee Chair

University of Alabama, Dept. of Theatre and Dance Box 870239  
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**Assistant Professor of Dance, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ** Assistant Professor of Dance – School of Film, Dance and Theatre. Herberger Institute for Design and the Arts at Arizona State University. Please submit a letter of interest, curriculum vitae and the contact information of three references by Jan. 20, 2014 to [fdtjobs@asu.edu](mailto:fdtjobs@asu.edu), or mail to: ASU School of Film, Dance and Theatre, Dance Search Committee, PO Box 872002, Tempe, Ariz. 85287-2002.

## National Core Arts Standards Final Public Review

Final public review of the National Coalition for Core Arts Standards (NCCAS) will launch in February. The NCCAS has scheduled a final public review of the draft PreK-12 arts standards in dance, media arts, music, theatre, and visual arts. The review will open February 14, 2014, and close February 28. A draft reading copy of the revised standards will be available on January 30. To find out how to participate in the February review process and to view all public documents related to the arts standards, visit <http://nccas.wikispaces.com/>

## 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

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## 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.

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

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

### 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. FDEO President-Elect, **Valerie Barreiro** will be among the featured presenters. For registration forms and more information email [fuziondance@gmail.com](mailto:fuziondance@gmail.com). Click [here](#) to read about the event.



### The Florida Alliance for Arts Education

Showcase Your School's Success!

Become an Arts Achieve! Model School Today

The Florida Alliance for Arts Education's Arts Achieve! Model Schools program recognizes schools that offer exemplary arts programs in at least three of the four disciplines, strong arts integration programs, supportive instructional settings, outstanding community connections, or other factors that make them valuable examples. Selected schools will receive designation for a period of three years and the following benefits:

- Statewide Recognition
- Professional development opportunities
- May be nominated for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts National Schools of Distinction in Arts Education Award

Online application process is now open!

Deadline for submission is January 24, 2014

Click [here](#) for additional information and to apply.

### 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!

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

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!



### Lynn Neuman Goes to the 2014 FDEO Conference for Free!

Congratulations to Lynn Neuman! While attending the 2013 NDEO Conference in Miami, Lynn participated in the FDEO Raffle and won the tuition free registration to the 2014 FDEO Conference to be held at the University of South Florida October 16-18, 2014. Lynn Neuman is a

- Click [here](#) to see an excerpt of the NDEO Keynote speech by Alberto Carvalho, Superintendent of Miami-Dade County Public Schools and Florida Superintendent of the year.
- 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.](#)
- [YoungArts Happenings](#)



### **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.

choreographer, teacher and performer. She is the Artistic Director of [Artichoke Dance Company](#) based in Brooklyn, NY and is currently on faculty at [Florida Gulf Coast University](#) where she teaches contemporary and jazz dance, creative process, functional movement and experiential anatomy, and repertory. Lynn works across departmental lines with theatre and music on productions. Her work has been presented nationally and internationally under the auspices of Artichoke Dance Company since 1995; she has created over 40 works for the Company, has been commissioned to create over 20 works for other companies and in educational settings. In New York she has taught at Peridance, Joffrey Ballet School, Ballet Arts and Leon Dance Arts. Her work has been presented in New York by Danspace Project at St. Mark's Church, the Joyce SoHo, University Settlement, at PS 122, and in the New York Fringe Festival.



#### **Statewide Cultural Conference**

Click [here](#) to register for the Statewide Cultural Conference. Citizens for Florida Arts, Inc. proudly presents Convening Culture 2014: Connecting the Arts with Environmental Conservation. This statewide cultural conference will provide opportunities for meaningful professional development for Florida artists and individuals involved in Florida's cultural organizations. The conference will also offer specific opportunities for participants to learn about the potential long term collaborations and crossover between arts programming and environmental conservation. Attendees will have the opportunity to learn more about these two areas from nationally recognized leaders in addition to having



opportunities to network and learn from one another in the inspiring setting of the Vero Beach Museum of Art.



### **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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