



Advancing Dance Education Centered in the Arts

## July News 2015



### **21st Century Skills in Dance Education Early Bird Registration Ends August 31, 2015**

The 2015 FDEO Annual Conference titled **"21st Century Skills in Dance Education"** will be hosted by the **University of South Florida School of Theatre & Dance**, and takes place October 22-24, 2015. Access the **Early Bird Registration here. Early Bird Registration Ends August 31, 2015.**

Please feel free to contact **Ms. Albena Arnaudova**, FDEO 2015 Conference Chair if you have questions, or require additional information.



### **FDEO 2015 Conference Hotel Information**

[Embassy Suites USF/Busch Gardens](#)

3705 Spectrum Blvd, Tampa, FL.33612

Tel: 813-903-6625 Fax: 813-903-6600 Contact Person :  
Jennifer Cancho Grawunde [Jennifer.Cancho@jqh.com](mailto:Jennifer.Cancho@jqh.com)



### **Special Session for High School Students**

A select number of high school students will be able to participate in a master class followed by a discussion/Q &A with members of the **Complexions Dance Company** on Friday October 23, 2015 at USF. Participating students must be sponsored by a teacher who is pre-registered for the **FDEO 21st Century Skills in Dance Education Conference**. **NHSDA** students will be admitted to the class and the concert for the low fee of \$10.00. The fee for non-NHSDA students is \$20.00. Space is limited so please contact Albena Arnaudova at [aarnaudov@gmail.com](mailto:aarnaudov@gmail.com) to reserve your space today.

FDEO Room Rates: \$149  
(FREE parking, cocktail reception on Thursday evening,  
continental breakfast, walking distance to the conference  
site)

### **Employment & Professional Growth Opportunities**

**Volusia County Schools** seeks one full time middle school and one full time high school dance teacher. Both schools have very robust enrollments and good facilities. For more information, please contact Mr. Monty R. Musgrave, D.M.A.  
Performing Arts Specialist  
Volusia County Schools  
386-734-7190, ext. 20682  
[mrmusgra@volusia.k12.fl.us](mailto:mrmusgra@volusia.k12.fl.us)

**Pasco County Schools** seeks high school dance teacher. Qualifications include a Bachelor's Degree in Dance.  
Application Guidelines and Deadline 06/18/2016 to 07/01/2015 access application  
at <http://www.pasco.k12.fl.us/hreq/employment>  
Starting Date 08/17/2015  
Salary \$36,000  
Contact Person Erik  
Hermansen, [ehermans@pasco.k12.fl.us](mailto:ehermans@pasco.k12.fl.us), 11646  
Town Center Road New Port Richey, FL 34654 (727)  
774-7200

**Polk County Schools** seeks full time dance educator for a position at Rochelle School of the Arts, Lakeland, FL. Rochelle is a K-8 magnet school that is a part of Polk County Schools. Salary is current teacher pay scale with starting date 8/17/15.  
View application and guidelines on the school district's web site.  
<http://www.polk-fl.net/employment/instructional>  
Contact person: Principal - Julie H. Ward  
[julieH.Ward@polk-fl.net](mailto:julieH.Ward@polk-fl.net) 863-499-2810 OR Director of Fine Arts – Beth Cummings @ [beth.cummings@polk-fl.net](mailto:beth.cummings@polk-fl.net) 863-647-4729



### **FDEO 2015 Keynote Presenter**

#### **DESMOND RICHARDSON**

FDEO is pleased to announce that **Mr. Desmond Richardson** will be the Keynote Presenter at the FDEO 2015 **Conference titled 21st Century Skills in Dance Education**. Mr. Richardson is the Artistic Director of **Complexions Dance Company**. He was the 60th Capezio Dance Award Winner, a Dance Magazine Award winner, and a Tony Award Nominee. Mr. Richardson is hailed by The New York Times as “one of the great modern dancers of his time.” Richardson is a multi-talented artist who has mastered a wide range of dance genres from his roots in hip hop, classical, modern and contemporary ballet. Praised for his powerful dancing and singular performance quality, **Richardson** has been the hallmark performer who has shaped the essence of the Complexions style. His roles as a principal dancer and guest artist with such notable companies as Alvin Ailey, Frankfurt Ballet, American Ballet Theatre, Teatro alla Scala, Royal Swedish Opera Ballet, San Francisco Ballet, Washington Ballet, North Carolina Dance Theatre, Austin Ballet, Aspen Santa Fe Ballet, Orlando Ballet, Teatro Massimo, and Complexions Contemporary Ballet have helped shape his artistry. Mr. Richardson's work truly exemplifies 21st Century Skills. Don't miss the **2015 FDEO Conference** and the opportunity to practice with the masters!

**Dance/USA**, Washington, DC is seeking a Director of Information Services. This is a full-time (exempt) salaried position that executes all of Dance/USA's research. This research includes, broadly, conducting all national field research, managing all member surveys and services, participating in research efforts associated with special initiatives, and conducting evaluation of Dance/USA's programs and services in collaboration with other staff. Bachelor's degree or greater, with 2 or more years' work experience in research or data analysis. A background in the arts is a plus. Deadline: July 8, 2015. Start Date: August 1, 2015

Compensation: Dance/USA offers a benefits package that includes full medical/dental/vision, life insurance, long-term disability, EAP, and 403(b) matching for eligible employees.

To Apply: Please submit a cover letter and resume to Dance/USA's Director of Finance and Operations, Casey John McEnelly, by Wednesday, July 8, 2015.

More information on this position, as well as other employment and growth opportunities throughout the country are available to [FDEO Members](#). FDEO members can login to the [NDEO](#) Forms then click on 'Jobs.'

### **Don't Miss The Shift- Sept 25-27, 2015**

[Emotions Dance](#) teams up with some of Central Florida's best modern, contemporary and improvisational dance companies to bring audiences new, experimental, or in progress works all under one roof! There is a Q&A with the companies following the performance to allow audiences to gain insight into the creative process. The goal of The Shift is to shift perspectives about movement and dance. This years companies include: Yow Dance, Coby Project, Explore Theatre and Dance, works by Ariel Clarke, Dawn Branch Works, Still, Moving- Dance and more!

Friday Sept 25 at 8pm  
Sat Sept 26 at 8pm  
Sun Sept 27 at 2pm

Surfscape Dance Company Presents

[The Surfscape Summer Dance Intensive](#)



**Brent C.J. Britton**

### **Plenary Speaker at the FDEO 13th Annual Conference Luncheon**

**October 23, 2015**

FDEO is pleased to announce that [Brent C.J. Britton](#) is back by popular demand as the 13th Annual FDEO Conference Plenary Luncheon Speaker.

[Brent C.J. Britton, Esquire](#), is a technology lawyer, teacher, and author in San Francisco, California, and Tampa, Florida. Recently described by 83 Degrees Magazine as "arguably the most sought after one-man think tank for entrepreneurs across Central Florida," Britton has been advising artists, creatives, and startups for more than 20 years in Boston, Silicon Valley, New York, and Florida. [Britton is also an adjunct professor](#) of Creativity at the University of South Florida. He is a graduate of the Boston University School of Law and a Distinguished Alumnus of the MIT Media Laboratory. The best that can honestly be said of his dancing skills is that they almost never result in injury to persons or property. The luncheon is included in your [conference registration](#) fee.

Please remember to check the box indicating your intention to attend the luncheon on your [conference registration form](#).

August 3 - 7, 2015  
Atlantic Center for the Arts  
New Smyrna Beach, Florida

To register & for more information, please contact SCDT at 386-233-4885 or email [register@surfscapedance.org](mailto:register@surfscapedance.org)

### **Fuzion Dance Company**

Congratulations to Fuzion Dance Company and it's 1st Full Season of Dance in Sarasota. Follow the <http://fuziondance.org> link to learn about Fuzion. Access the Fuzion Calendar, get performance tickets and get involved!

### **Moving Current Dance Collective**

Moving Current Dance Collective is presenting groundbreaking work and celebrating its 15th year in Tampa. Follow the link <http://www.movingcurrent.com> to learn more about the arts, cultural, educational initiatives and impact Moving Current is creating in central Florida.

### **THE FLORIDA ASSOCIATION FOR THEATRE EDUCATION**

Presents the [\*FATE CONFERENCE '2015\*](#) October 15 - 17, 2015 at Radisson Resort Orlando - Celebration  
[\*Register NOW!!!\*](#)



### **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, go to the [\*\*FDEO Membership Page\*\*](#). From there, you will be provided a simple paperless transaction and you are automatically a member.



### **Beyond the Test: Mentoring for Artistic Engagement Registration Forms Due by November 2, 2015**

[\*Beyond the Test: Mentoring for Artistic Engagement\*](#) is a 3-day seminar for secondary students across the state. It includes participation in the [\*Florida Dance Performance Assessment \(FDPA\)\*](#), an opportunity to Perform in the [\*National Honor Society of Dance Arts \(NHSDA\) Concert\*](#), master classes with reputable teaching artists, mock college auditions, panel discussions and a chance to chat with professors from universities in and out of the state.

FDEO is pleased to announce that the 2016 Beyond the Test: Mentoring for Artistic Engagement will be hosted by [\*Pinellas County Center for the Arts at Gibbs High School\*](#) in St. Petersburg, FL on February 5, 6 & 8 -8, 2016. Registration forms are online now. 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.

[\*Beyond the Test Mentoring for Artistic Engagement\*](#) is purely an educational event. It is NOT a competition. 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,

## FDEO Recognizes Members who Participated in the Dance USA Conference

Daniel Lewis -Host Committee  
Jin Young Lee– Performer  
Dale Andree-Presenter  
Hannah Baumgarten -Presenter  
Elana Lanczi -Performer

## 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 is 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 Programs are presented with the support of the Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs and the Cultural Affairs Council, the Miami-Dade County Mayor and the Board of County Commissioners, The University of South Florida School of Theatre & Dance, Pinellas County Center for the Arts at Gibbs High School, the Little Haiti Cultural Center, Human Kinetics, and with gratitude to all of the educators and teaching artists who volunteer their time and talent to make FDEO such a viable and ingenious professional organization.



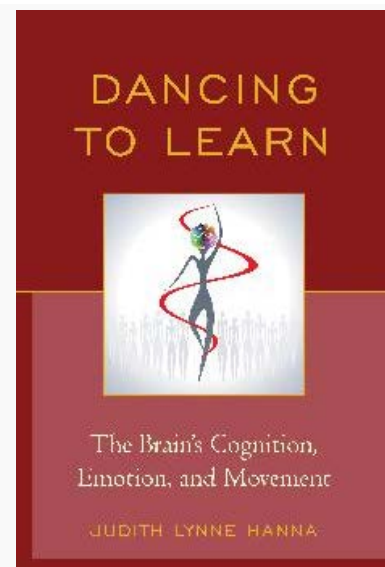
and teachers from each school will engage in a reflective discussion to address areas of mastery, as well as areas that are in need of improvement. Participation will provide teachers with collegial support and a variety of instructional strategies to increase learning outcomes. Secondary students from public, private, charter school, and private studio programs in Florida and Georgia are encouraged to attend.

If you have questions, or require additional information regarding FDPA, please forward an e-mail

to [Beyondthetestfdeo@gmail.com](mailto:Beyondthetestfdeo@gmail.com). Send questions specific to the National Honor Society for Dance Arts to [nhsdafl@gmail.com](mailto:nhsdafl@gmail.com)

All Florida Dance Performance Assessment materials and choreography will be presented to teachers who attend the [21st Century Skills in Dance Education Conference in October 2015](#). Conference attendees will receive the both live and in digital formats.

Conference participants will have the opportunity to work collaboratively with one another to manipulate the material so that it best fits the course and skill level of their individual student populations. Teachers who plan to participate in Beyond the Test: Mentoring for Artistic Engagement, but NOT the conference, will receive assessment sequences in digital formats only. [Beyond the Test: Mentoring for Artistic Engagement Registration Forms](#) are due by November 2, 2015.



Dancing to Learn: The Brain's Cognition,

Emotion and Movement is groundbreaking. Interdisciplinary 21st century neuroscience suggests that the brain “choreographs” dancer, dance-maker, dancer, and spectator. The book synthesizes new research in neuroscience with knowledge in the arts, humanities, social sciences, and education to offer illuminating insights about dance as a compelling medium of education for everyone. Check this book out at the FDEO Conference or [click here to purchase it now!](#)



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**Daniel Lewis Miami Dance Sampler**

The Daniel Lewis Miami Dance Sampler, produced by the [Florida Dance Education Organization](#), and hosted by [Dance Now Miami](#) will be held October 17 & 18, 2015, at the [Little Haiti Cultural Complex Theater](#). 212 NE 59th Terrace, Miami. Tickets: \$25 General/\$15 Student & Senior Citizens.

Celebrate the strength and diversity of the Miami dance scene of established companies and choreographers.

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