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Education Organization

Advancing Dance Education Centered in the Arts

**'Collaborations: Infinite Possibilities' FDEO Conference 2014**

Thursday through Saturday, October 16 - 18, 2014

*University of South Florida, School of Theatre & Dance,  
4202 East Fowler Ave., TAR 230,  
Tampa, FL. 33620*

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**Albena Arnaudova , 2014 FDEO Conference Chair**



## **FDEO 2014 Conference Chair Albena Arnadova Welcomes Conference Participants**

*[As the 2014 FDEO Conference Chair](#)* and a University of South Florida Alumni, I would like to personally welcome you to Florida's paramount event for professional dance educators, teaching artists, arts administrators and arts advocates. *[Conference registration online is now open](#)*. Same day conference registration will open on October 16 at 2:45 pm with *[master classes and presentations beginning at 3:00 pm](#)*. The conference features guest presenters, roundtable discussions, technique classes, networking opportunities, and a concert performance featuring works choreographed by higher education faculty members and professional choreographers. I urge you to make your hotel reservations early. The *[Embassy Suites, the official conference hotel](#)*, welcomes FDEO to Tampa with an adult only 'Meet and Greet' on Thursday night 6:00 to 7:30 pm to in the Main Atrium of the hotel. I look forward to meeting you in person at this event and I invite you to contact me directly at *[aarnaudov@gmail.com](mailto:aarnaudov@gmail.com)* regarding any conference related questions or inquiries.

**Mr. John LeTellier Will Speak at The FDEO General Session**



**Mr. John LeTellier, Arts Education Specialist,  
Florida Department of Education**

FDEO is pleased to announce that [Mr. John LeTellier, Arts Education Specialist for the Florida Department of Education](#) will speak at the FDEO General Conference Session on Friday, October 17. Mr. LeTellier will address ‘Trends and Issues Relevant to Arts Education’. He will cover everything from end of course exams to the most recent legislative matters. Don’t miss this opportunity to learn about the issues that directly affect your profession.

**Master Teacher, Patty Gair to Present at the Conference.**



**Ms. Patty Gair Will Present at the FDEO Conference**

On Saturday October 18, [Macy's Teacher of the Year Finalist, Ms. Patty Gair](#) and [Mr. John Letellier, Arts Education Specialist at the Florida Department of Education](#) will co-present an overview of the Florida Standards, course descriptions, and planning tools in the CPALMS format. Participants will learn to map standards

into a guide for the purpose of course curriculum development, designing course study guides and creating lesson plans. Participants may want to bring their own electronic devices (BYOD). Ms. Gair will facilitate a separate working session for mapping the standards and coursework. The session will include collaborative processes to develop maps for courses not covered in the primary session. Participants should BYOD. This session is essential for any teacher who plans to create curriculum or study guides for the new courses.

### Meet & Greet with The Florida Alliance for Arts Education



### **FDEO Introduces Ms. Julie Herbert**

FDEO will introduce Ms. Julie Hebert, the new [\*Executive Director of the Florida Alliance for Arts Education\*](#) at the Meet & Greet, which will be held in the Atrium at the [\*Embassy Suites Busch Gardens/USF\*](#) on Thursday October 16 from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm. Ms. Herbert will speak on the topic of 'Improving and Enhancing Arts Education in Florida's Schools and Communities'. Please join your colleagues for a time of relaxation, networking and community building.

**Andrew Carroll, Keynote Conference Speaker**



FDEO is pleased to announce that [\*Mr. Andrew Carroll\*](#), Assistant Professor of Dance, Ballet and History at the University of South Florida will be the Conference Keynote Luncheon Speaker. 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\*](#).

Other members of the distinguished USF faculty scheduled to present at the 2014 conference include [\*Mr. John Parks\*](#) and [\*Ms. Jeanne Travers\*](#).

**Ms. Gerri Houlihan**  
**Key Presenter at The FDEO 2014 Conference**



FDEO Conference Keynote Presenter [\*Ms. Gerri Houlihan\*](#), renowned educator and Dean of the school at the [\*American Dance Festival\*](#) at Duke University in Durham, North Carolina, will present several sessions at the 2014 FDEO Conference. Please review the conference schedule for exact times and dates.

**Florida Item Bank and Test Platform**



**Ms. Sally Sanders, Project Manager  
Race to the Top Assessments, Florida Department of Education**

On Friday October 17, Ms. Sally Sanders, Project Manager, Race to the Top Assessments, Florida Department of Education will present a special session on the new Item Bank and Test Platform (IBTP). Conference participants will learn about this dynamic resource that allows users to build and administer high quality, standards- based, engaging assessments for diagnostic, interim or summative purposes. Attendees will learn how to get started using the IBTP to create dance assessments at the classroom, school, and district level. Participants may want to bring their own electronic devices (BYOD).

**FDEO Collaborative Concert October 18**



*Surfscape Dance Company*

Admission to the FDEO Collaborative Concert at the USF School of Theatre & Dance is free to all conference participants on the evening of October 17, 2014. The concert will highlight works from *Spelman College*, the *University of Tampa*, the *University of South Florida*, *Merry Lynn Morris*, *REVolutions Dance Inc*, *Moving Current Dance Collective*, *Surfscape Contemporary Dance Company*, *Kuumba Dancers & Drummers*, the *Asian Dance Theatre* and *Dance NOW! Miami*. Follow this link to access the *most recent conference schedule*. Follow this link to access the *Conference Registration*.

### **Daniel Lewis Miami Dance Sampler**





*Clarence Brooks & The FAU Repertory Dance Theatre Ensemble*

## **The Florida Dance Education Organization**

### **Presents**

### **The Daniel Lewis Miami Dance Sampler**

October 18, 2014, 8:00 pm | October 19, 3:00 pm

Little Haiti Cultural Complex Theater

212 NE 59th Terrace, Miami | Free Parking

Tickets: \$25 General/\$15 Student & Senior

[FDEO Immediate Past President, Clarence Brooks](#) invites dance enthusiasts and arts patrons who are not able to attend all 3 days of the FDEO Conference in Tampa, to celebrate the strength and diversity of the South Florida dance scene in a spectacular season preview of Miami's established companies and choreographers. The concert is produced by the [Florida Dance Education Organization](#) in collaboration with [Dance NOW! Miami](#) and [Miami Dance Futures](#).

Participating Groups include: [Dance NOW! Miami](#), Dale Andree, the TOC Project, [New World Dance Ensemble](#), [Pioneer Winter](#), [Ballet Flamenco La](#)

[Rosa](#), [Repertory Dance Theatre Ensemble](#), [Godoy Pradera Projects](#), [Arts Ballet Theater of Florida](#), and [Karen Peterson and Dancers](#), with a special pre-show performance from [Atma Yoga Dance Company](#).

Click [here to purchase tickets](#) or call [305.975.8489](tel:305.975.8489). Group rates are available.

### **Florida Dance Performance Assessment Session at the FDEO Conference**



### **Get Your Florida Dance Performance Assessment Materials at the FDEO Conference**

The Florida Dance Performance Assessment ([FDPA](#)) and the [National Honor Society for Dance Arts \(NHSDA\) Concert](#) will once again be hosted by Howard W. Blake High School Magnet in Tampa, Florida on February 6-8, 2015. [FDPA Registration forms](#) are online now. All Florida Dance Performance Assessment materials and choreography will be presented to FDEO 2014 conference attendees 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 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. For additional information please email [Beyondthetestfdeo@gmail.com](mailto:Beyondthetestfdeo@gmail.com) or [nhsdafl@gmail.com](mailto:nhsdafl@gmail.com)

### **Special New Benefit for NHSDA**



*Madison Russo, Florida's 2014 NJHSDA Artistic Merit, Leadership, and Academic Achievement Award, 2nd place winner*

## **Dance Arts Now! Official Newsletter of the National Honor Society for Dance Arts (NHSDA)**

Dance Arts Now! Official Newsletter of the (NHSDA). A Special New Benefit for NHSDA Inductees and their Chapter Sponsors. The new National Honor Society for Dance Arts newsletter, Dance Arts NOW, gives student inductees and their chapter sponsors a chance to be published and recognized. The Florida Dance Education Organization encourages all Florida dance students to submit stories, poems, articles, chapter news, photos and MORE! We want to hear from you. Get published! Students and teachers can both submit items for publication. Students who are not yet inducted into the NHSDA may submit items and earn up to 2 points per item submitted towards induction. Limit 6 points total towards induction.

The first edition of this newsletter comes out in late November! SUBMIT Newsletter Materials by October 20, 2014. All literary submissions must be in Word format (no PDF files accepted). Photos and other images can accompany articles. Word Count - up to 900 words for articles or stories (approx. 3 pages). Note: Some light editing may be required.

All materials must include author's name/age, sponsor/advisor name, and school. All honor society inductees, including students and advisors, may submit materials. In addition, students who are in the process of earning points for induction may also submit items. All Poems will be published as submitted.

All photography must clearly state who took the picture (photographer credits) and identify who is in the picture. Some accepted articles may be included in future editions. Newsletter Topics may include, but are not limited to: Written reviews of choreography, books, film, apps, etc. anything dance & arts related. Articles such as

"Why I Dance," "My Summer Dance Experience," "My Inspiration for Choreography," "How a Teacher/Friend Inspired me". Poetry, illustrations, photography, art work that are dance related (JPEG image files accepted - no PDF files). Community Service Reviews; Chapter News or Inductees in the news; Awards received, scholarships received and college acceptances.

Submissions: All submissions will be sent via email and attachments to NHSDA Newsletter Editor, Colleen Dean, [atcolleendean12@gmail.com](mailto:atcolleendean12@gmail.com) with a copy to [mgreenblatt@ndeo.org](mailto:mgreenblatt@ndeo.org).

Dance Arts Now! Newsletter is an online publication targeted to NHSDA inductees ages 11-18 and their dance teachers. For questions please call Colleen at [703-737-3870](tel:703-737-3870) or Melissa at the NDEO office at [301-585-2880](tel:301-585-2880).

**The Embassy Suites USF/Busch Gardens is the Official 2014 Conference Hotel**



## **Embassy Suites USF/Busch Gardens is the Official 2014 Conference Hotel**

All *Embassy Suites USF/Bush Gardens* rooms are fitted with refrigerators, microwaves and coffeemakers. The Embassy Suites also serve a complimentary cook to order breakfast. The hotel is within walking distance to the conference site at the USF School of Theatre & Dance. The address is 3705 Spectrum Blvd, Tampa, FL.33612.

Phone number for reservations is #[813-977-7066](tel:813-977-7066) or [813-903-6625](tel:813-903-6625) Fax: [813-903-6600](tel:813-903-6600) Contact Person : Jennifer Cancho Grawunde [Jennifer.Cancho@jqh.com](mailto:Jennifer.Cancho@jqh.com)  
FDEO Room Rates: \$139

FREE parking, cocktail reception for hotel guest on Thursday evening.

Please make your reservations before we fill up the FDEO Block of rooms or the block is released. **USE THE CODE 'FDEO' TO REGISTER**

### FDEO Collaborates With the Broward Cultural Division



### **2014 Dance Industry Convening Meeting**

***FDEO President, Dr. Tenaj Davis*** invites private studio owners, arts administrators, teaching artists, and arts educators from Miami-Dade, Broward, and the Palm Beaches to join FDEO at the 2014 Dance Industry Convening Follow up Meeting. This event is hosted by the Broward Cultural Division. There is no charge for this event and all are welcome.

Date: Monday, October 13, 2014

Time: 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Location: Broward County Government Center

115 South Andrews Avenue, Room 302

Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

Please RSVP to this meeting at <https://patronsecure.com/bccd/events.cfm>.

Parking: Complimentary at Gov Garage (take parking ticket and bring it with you to the meeting) If you have questions or require additional information, please contact Broward County Arts Administrator, Ms. Grace Kewl-Durfey at [gkewl@broward.org](mailto:gkewl@broward.org) or call Grace at [\(954\) 357-7869](tel:9543577869)

### Human Kinetics At FDEO



Books from ***Human Kinetics*** will be raffled at the FDEO Conference Luncheon. Don't miss this opportunity to build your library with some of the most respected authors in the field.

### FDEO Sponsors, Partners & Supporters



FDEO Programs mentioned in this Newsblast 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 Broward Cultural Division, The University of South Florida School of Theatre & Dance, Howard W. Blake Magnet 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.

#### **How to Join 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.

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