



Scholarships for Dance Professionals

Dance/USA, the national service organization for the professional, not-for-profit dance field, will hold its 2010 Annual Conference in Washington, DC, June 16-19. Hundreds of dance artists, choreographers, executive directors, artistic directors, company managers, presenters, and educators are expected to gather in the Nation's Capital for three days of professional development, information sharing, advocacy, and networking.

Unfortunately, many independent artists, choreographers, dancers, and administrators—particularly those from smaller dance entities with budgets of \$500,000 or less-- simply cannot afford to participate in our Annual Conference. These are often the dance professionals who would benefit the most from connecting with their peers, learning from colleagues, discussing issues of concern with others who may have experienced similar situations, and gaining awareness of challenges they may face in the future.

In 2010, Dance/USA is committed to insuring that dance artists and administrators are able to participate in the Annual Conference. The scholarship opportunities listed on the next page are designed to cover the cost of registration for the 2010 Annual Conference and a one-year membership in Dance/USA.

First-time attendees are assigned mentors to help them meet colleagues and navigate the many Conference sessions and activities. They also receive a special briefing from Dance/USA Trustees at the "First-Timers Breakfast."

First-time Conference attendees report feeling "connected" to the national field and Dance/USA, refreshed and renewed, less isolated, and "honored" to be at the table with a thoughtful and passionate group of dance leaders. One recent scholarship recipient said, "It was energizing to connect with peers from around the country, recognizing that we are dealing with similar issues, and being sure that our voices are being heard as part of the larger discussion around dance in this country."

**Dance/USA 2010 Annual Conference Scholarships
DONATION FORM**

You can help strengthen the national dance community and the dance artists and administrators who live and work in here by providing scholarships for them to attend Dance/USA's 2010 Annual Conference. **You may designate the company that will receive the scholarship(s) you underwrite.**

Scholarships for Dance Administrators:

_____ \$900 (Two Annual Conference registrations and two Dance/USA memberships)

- Scholarship underwriters will receive an invitation for two to the Opening Reception on June 16 at the House of Sweden, two tickets to the DC Showcase performance on June 17 at the Lansburgh Theatre, and listing on Dance/USA's Annual Conference website.
- Company _____

_____ \$450 (One Annual Conference registration and one Dance/USA membership)

- Scholarship underwriters will receive an invitation for one to the Opening Reception on June 16 at the House of Sweden and listing on Dance/USA's Annual Conference website.
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Scholarships for Dancers:

_____ \$205 (One Annual Conference registration and one Dance/USA membership)

- Scholarship underwriters will receive one ticket to the DC Showcase performance on June 17 at the Lansburgh Theatre, and listing on Dance/USA's Annual Conference website.
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Please mail the completed form to Dance/USA, 1111 16th St., NW, Suite 300, Washington, DC 20036, or fax it to 202-833-2686. If you have any questions, please contact Vicki Kimble, director of development, at 202-833-1717 ext. 103 or at vkimble@danceusa.org. **Thank you for your support.**