



Finding Common Ground
Among America's Diverse Dance Communities

Benefits of Membership in a Dance Organization

The reason for joining a dance organization is simple: as a member of the group, you have the power of numbers behind you.

Dance educators, administrators and school owners may join a diverse number of dance education organizations. Individual groups represent the pre-k – 12, higher education, and the private sector, while others offer membership across all segments. There is diversity in the professional development opportunities and benefits offered, however all are unified in their promotion of high standards in dance education.

Continuing Education

- professional development through class, conference and convention opportunities;
- syllabi, manuals, publications, training aids, research results, and other reference tools;
- refresh and reiterate traditional foundations or methods in responsible teaching;
- dissemination of information regarding anatomy, injury prevention, nutrition, kinesiology, music theory, technical development, and choreography;
- educational opportunities for faculty, associates or assistant teachers.

Raising the Bar

- membership approved code of ethics;
- support to maintain high ethics in teaching. peer respect, and best business practices;

- standards for dance education;
- teacher training and exam options leading to certification;
- perspectives regarding emerging trends in dance education.

Peer Support

- exchange of ideas and concepts to enhance the dance profession;
- respect and camaraderie among members and organization leaders;
- mutual interest in raising educational standards;
- lifelong connections with like-minded individuals;
- serving your organization in a committee position or an elected office influencing the greater dance community and the future of your organization.

Student Opportunities

- workshops, master classes, conferences, and conventions;
- junior, apprentice, and other student membership opportunities;
- continuing education and college scholarships;
- performance opportunities;
- competition experience;
- graded achievement certificates.

Business Benefits

- reduced music licensing fees;
- membership discounts, including reduced rates for conferences, workshops, etc.
- awareness of your ongoing commitment to professional development
- demonstrates to your clientele your ongoing commitment to professional development

You'll never feel alone again.

It's like having a complete dance resource at your fingertips.

Inquire at one of the UNITY dance organizations below

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UNITY VISION

We envision a nation in which dance is a respected and integral part of life for all, and where the dance profession actively and collectively contributes to education and participation in Dance.