

**MAY 2018** 

# **PRE-NATIONAL FESTIVAL ISSUE**

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The American College Dance Association's 2018 National College Dance Festival at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, DC presents three programs featuring some of the finest dance works selected from colleges and universities throughout the country. Dances are selected by the adjudicators from each of the 13 ACDA regional conferences based on their outstanding artistic excellence and merit.

The primary objective of the National Festival is to highlight, on the national level, the outstanding quality of choreography and performance that is being created on college and university campuses.

Each program showcases ten dances, with a total of 30 schools participating in the Festival. A different dance program will be featured on each date at the matinee and evening performances.

#### Congratulation to these participating schools:

Alabama State University, Montgomery, AL Belhaven University, Jackson, MS Columbia College Chicago, Chicago, IL Connecticut College, New London, CT George Mason University, Fairfax, VA Kennesaw State University, Kennesaw, GA Kent State University, Kent, OH Macalester College, St. Paul, MN Minnesota State University, Mankato, Mankato, MN MiraCosta College, Oceanside, CA Montclair State University. Upper Montclair, NJ Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL Orange Coast College, Costa Mesa, CA Sam Houston University, Huntsville, TX San Jose State University, San Jose, CA Scottsdale Community College, Scottsdale, AZ Scripps College, Claremont, CA Snow College, Ephraim, UT





Smith College, Northampton, MA Temple University, Philadelphia, PA University at Buffalo, Buffalo, NY University of California Irvine, Irvine, CA University of Illinois at Urbana--Champaign, Urbana, IL University of Maryland Baltimore County, Baltimore, MD University of Massachusetts – Amherst, Amherst, MA University of Montana, Missoula, MT University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC University of Texas, Austin, Austin, TX University of Texas, Rio Grande Valley, Edinburg, TX Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA

### IN THE DC AREA JUNE 7, 8 OR 9?

Don't miss these exciting performances by ACDA members from throughout the country. Tickets are still available.

Gala Performance Times: 2:00pm & 7:30pm

Thursday: June 7, 2018, Program A Friday: June 8, 2018, Program B Saturday: June 9, 2018, Program C



### FOR INFORMATION AND TICKETS: The Kennedy Center Box Office

Tickets: \$30.00 for each performance Specially priced tickets and group rates available by calling The Box Office. All tickets are General Admission

### FOR REGISTRATION AND MORE INFORMATION

Visit the National Festival Website

(Registration open to ACDA members only. Registration closes May 18, 2018)



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Facebook Event: <u>https://www.facebook.com/events/1763832286971316/?active\_tab=about</u>





# In Memoriam

## **Donald McKayle**

Donald McKayle passed on April 6, 2018. He was a valued adjudicator at ACDA conference adjudicating a total of nine times between 1995-2008.

Mr. McKayle was a Master choreographer and teacher. He served on the faculty at Connecticut College, Sarah



Lawrence, Bennington, Cal Arts, and most recently at UC Irvine. Mr. McKayle choreographed concert dance, for Broadway, Television and Film. His concert choreography is in the repertory of Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater, Cleo Parker Robinson Dance Company, Dayton Contemporary, Lula Washington Dance Theater, to name a few. In 2016, Dayton Contemporary performed Mr. McKayle's seminal work *Rainbow 'Round My Shoulder*, his master work from 1959 about life on a chain gang, a work with like so many of his works expressing the experience of black Americans, whether they be in joyful times or times of sorrow and pain. Mr. McKayle was the recipient of countless awards and honorary doctorates in honor of the legacy of his work and was honored to be known as one of America's irreplaceable dance treasures. He was an icon.



## Jolie Long Carlton

Jolie Long Carlton, two-term ACDA Board member (2008-2014), died Tuesday, May 1, surrounded by family at her home in Gainesville, Georgia.

Jolie was a longtime Brenau University professor and chair of the Department of Dance. She taught modern dance and jazz technique, tap, improvisation, choreography and Pilates classes and served as the Director of the Brenau Dance Ensemble for several years. Jolie graduated Cum Laude from Mary Washington College earning a B.A. in dance, and a M.F.A. in Choreography

and Performance from Florida State University. She taught for the Gainesville School of Ballet and was a faculty member for the Virginia Governor's School for the Visual and Performing Arts at the University of Richmond for 12 years. In May 2009, Jolie received Brenau University's Ann Austin Johnston Outstanding Faculty Award, Brenau's highest teaching honor.

"Jolie Carlton opened my mind to the possibilities of different paths in dance and the work ethic that needed to go with it," said Laurin Dunleavy, class of 2002. "She inspired me as an undergrad and continues to influence how and why I teach and advocate for dance...today."

(Excerpts from Brenau Faculty website and the May 3, 2018 article by Kristen Bowman)



Again this year, **the American Dance Festival extends a special offer to ACDA members!** All ACDA institutional or individual member faculty and graduate students receive 20% off tuition for ADF's Dance Professional Workshop for Educators (DPW) or two or more DPW programs. To take advantage of this offer, indicate your ACDA member institution when applying.

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### ACDA gratefully acknowledges support from:

Our Lifetime Members: Elizabeth Lowe Ahearn, Judy Allen, Tiffanee Arnold, Ruth Barnes, Jean Baxter, Lorelei E. Bayne, Jeanne Beaman, Paul Besaw, B.J. Bray, Lori Bryhni, Mary Cochran (deceased), Keith Skip Costa, Mary-Jean Cowell, Karen Dearborn, Susan Douglas Roberts, Abby Fiat, Barry Fischer, Lynda Fitzgerald, Lisa A. Fusillo, Amy Ginsburg, Lonny Joseph Gordon, Erica Helm, Gerri P. Houlihan, Luke Kahlich, Annie Kloppenberg, Joanne Lawrence, Paula Levine, Li Chiao-Ping, Luis Martinez, Rhythm McCarthy, Suzanne Ostersmith, Damon Rago, Ann Sanders, Russell Sandifer, Mark Santillano, Brent Schneider, William Seigh, Andrew Vaca, Holly Williams, Alcine Wiltz, Candace Winters-March, Darci Brown Wutz, Marcy Jo Yonkey-Clayton

A special acknowledgment to our newest Lifetime Member: Lana Kay Rosenberg

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Your contribution ensures our ability to foster creative potential through our regional conferences and national festival. Thank you for your generous support!

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