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Dear Dance Educator,

We are proud to announce the fifth annual Middle & High School Dance Festival presented by Charlotte Ballet. The Festival will be held **Saturday and Sunday, October 26-27** at the Patricia McBride and Jean-Pierre Bonnefoux Center for Dance in Charlotte, North Carolina. The two-day festival welcomes regional students in grades 6-12 who are representing their middle or high school.

The cost of the two-day festival includes:

- A commemorative Festival t-shirt
- A ticket to Charlotte Ballet's Saturday matinee performance of *Fall Works*
- A hip-hop dance class and party on Saturday night
- A full day of dance classes in various genres on Sunday
- Entry into the adjudicated Festival performance on Sunday night

The Festival is an opportunity for young dancers to learn, explore, perform and share with other dancers alike. Participating students have the opportunity to audition for scholarships to summer and college programs, take master classes in various genres including ballet, modern, jazz, tap, hip-hop, musical theater, Latin, African, yoga, Pilates, injury prevention and nutrition. In addition, there will be opportunities for dance educators to participate in round table discussions on topics that concern the art form of dance. **New this year we will be adding 2 Musical Theater classes for dancers who are interested as well in musical theater programs.**

The Festival will also feature an adjudicated performance featuring faculty, guest choreographers and student works. The adjudication committee will honor the most talented works with Outstanding Choreography Awards.

We strongly encourage you to register your school early as space is limited. **The school registration deadline is May 31, 2019, and the student registration deadline is September 20, 2019.** Late registrations for both schools and students will be taken until September 27, 2019 for an additional fee.

If you are interested in submitting a work for the Festival performance, the **adjudication deadline is June 1, 2019.** All work must be received by this date for consideration. **Schools will be informed June 10, 2019** regarding the adjudication decisions.

The Middle & High School Dance Festival is a wonderful opportunity for your students to showcase their talents along with participating in challenging and rewarding dance classes. We are extremely excited about the third annual Festival and look forward to meeting you soon.

Sincerely,

Bianca Bonner  
 Director of Education & Community Engagement  
 Charlotte Ballet

**FESTIVAL DEADLINES & FEES**

Form	Deadline	Fee	Late Registration
School Registration	May 31, 2019	\$120	Sept. 27, 2019 /\$140
Student Registration	September 20, 2019	\$100	Sept. 27, 2019/ \$120
Adjudication	June 1, 2019	\$20 per piece	Not Available
Scholarship audition	September 20, 2019	\$30	Not Available

## **REFUNDS AND CANCELLATIONS**

Charlotte Ballet will refund the \$100 student registration fee for each student less 15% to cover unrecovered festival costs until September 27, 2019. After that date, no refunds will be given. Refund requests must be emailed to Bianca Bonner, [bbonner@charlotteballet.org](mailto:bbonner@charlotteballet.org). The school registration fee of \$120 is non-refundable.

## **ABOUT CHARLOTTE BALLET**

Charlotte Ballet's mission is to provide artistically excellent programming to diverse audiences in its home city of Charlotte, the Southeast region, and to the varied communities it serves while on tour across the nation. Charlotte Ballet has received critical recognition nationally for excellence in programming, education and outreach and dance training. Charlotte Ballet is a Charlotte-based, world class repertory dance ensemble. Its dancers perform classic, contemporary and cutting-edge dance with virtuosity, energy and artistic excellence for local, statewide and national audiences. Charlotte Ballet's collective talents provide the opportunity and take the responsibility to challenge, stimulate, educate, entertain and thereby enrich audiences.

Charlotte Ballet's 37,000 square foot facility houses administrative and rehearsal spaces, along with the Charlotte Ballet Academy. Located at 701 North Tryon Street, next to the McColl Center for Visual Art, the Center for Dance contains six dance studios, three overlooking North Tryon Street, and a 200-seat performance venue.