Education Committee Report

The IADMS Education Committee is comprised of individuals who research, mentor, study and teach dance all around the world at all levels. This committee is one of the most active in the IADMS organization. As chair of this ambitious committee, I have the honor of relating the good work it has undertaken. Our efforts are primarily designed to enhance teaching with an understanding and incorporation of dance science at all levels. We accomplish this in many ways, from “A Day for Teachers” during the IADMS Annual Meeting, to resource papers, IADMS posters, and The IADMS Bulletin for Dancers and Teachers. All of these resources can be accessed on the IADMS website, http://www.iadms.org.

We have also replaced the Studio Teachers Network with the Dance Education Network (DEN), currently chaired by Maggie Lorraine. One of the reasons you may be receiving this bulletin is because we have you on a distribution list from the Studio Teacher’s Network. Our goal with the Dance Education Network is to increase outreach to teachers working in the field. If you know of anyone who would like to receive the bulletin, please have them contact the education committee at education@iadms.org.

Two new papers are on the IADMS Resource Paper tab of the IADMS website: Mirrors in the classroom, Help or Hindrance, written by Sally Radell and Perfectionism, written by Sanna Nordin-Bates. Please visit the IADMS website to find out more about the resource papers and other exciting initiatives from the Education Committee. Finally, if you have any questions about the IADMS Education Committee or would like to find out more about working with us, please contact us at education@iadms.org.

Margaret Wilson, Ph.D.
Education Committee Chair
“Dancing is like dreaming with your feet!”  ~Constanze
…but too often injuries turn dreams of dancing into nightmares.

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Series 2 topics are First Aid, Somatics, and Fueling the Dancer.

Series 3 topics are Turnout for Dancers: Hip Anatomy, Turnout For Dancers: Supplemental Training, and Dance Fitness.

Series 4 topics are Motor Learning, Bone Health & Female Dancers, and Stretching For Dancers

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