



February 15, 2010

## **CALL TO PERFORMING ARTS ORGANIZATIONS – Summer 2010**

Participation in MDF's first annual, statewide summer dance festivals features Saturday performances of approximately 15 of Massachusetts' most prominent dance companies, in areas of modern, ballet, jazz, tap, Flamenco, African, hip-hop, and other dance genres. Sunday performances will encompass college and other student dances. Additionally, master dance classes will be held from approximately 10:00 am through 4:00 pm on Saturday and Sunday, 45-55 minutes in duration, also representing a diverse talent base across the Commonwealth. Please visit: <http://www.massdancefestival.org> for more information on our mission statement and purpose.

### **DATES/LOCATIONS:**

August 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> at Boston Ballet, 19 Clarendon Street, Boston, MA (<http://www.bostonballet.org>)  
August 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>, UMASS Amherst Dance Department and local theatre (TBD)

### **DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION:**

*For performing artists:* 5 pm April 15, 2010: Application and Supporting Materials Due.  
*If you are the primary artist and wish to be considered for a teaching position during the MDF 2010 summer festivals, please indicate this on your application.*

Accepted applicants will be listed @ <http://www.massdancefestival.org>. Festival Committee will contact each entrant via email.

### **ELIGIBILITY:**

Artists, performing groups, and teachers are eligible regardless of race, gender, belief, national origin, sexual orientation, and physical ability.

### **GUIDELINES FOR SUBMITTING PROPOSALS:**

- Written description of the 10 minute presentation that will represent a preview of the group's upcoming performance
- Support Materials: such as DVD, CD, photos, resumes
- List of technical requirements: equipment, power needs, sound, lighting, etc.
- Indication of availability for Eastern and Western Massachusetts festivals
- Please include any special needs requirements

### **SELECTION PROCESS/CRITERIA:**

Festival committee members will make the final selections by June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010. Acceptance will be determined by quality, variety of artistic disciplines, and appropriateness for the market.

### **PERFORMANCE SPACE:**

**Boston:** Boston Ballet 5<sup>th</sup> floor, 30 X 48 foot floor with 200 seating capacity; possibility for Boston Center for the Arts Cyclorama Performances space on Saturday (in progress)

**Amherst:** Classes will be held at UMASS, Amherst, with Indoor theatre space TBD.

**DRESS REHEARSAL:**

Performers are responsible for transporting instruments, props, etc., and attending one dress rehearsal in the performance space prior to performance night. Time(s) to be arranged by Festival Committee. Additional information regarding stage, lighting, music, green room and warm-up areas will be communicated upon performance confirmation.

**MARKETING/PUBLICITY:**

MDF will publicize the first annual 2010 MDF summer festival in numerous online and print publications. Sale of DVD's, books, and other print materials, distribution of cards, and promotional materials must have prior approval from the Festival Committee. Vendor tables TBD.

**LIABILITY:**

Massachusetts Dance Festival will provide security from set-up to strike. Performers perform at their own risk. MDF is not responsible for damage, theft, or loss of performer's property.

**QUESTIONS Regarding Your Application??**

Call Karyn Edison @ (508) 429-7577, or email: [karyn@massdancefestival.org](mailto:karyn@massdancefestival.org).

**CHECKLIST:** Incomplete or late entries will not be processed

- Completed Application Form
- Up to one-page narrative describing the artist(s) background and experience, a description of the artistic work to be presented, and any special features of this piece
- A resume of the leading artist
- Technical requirements
- A DVD, video, publication, or other representation of your creative work. Please cue to the 10-minute selection and/or mark publication, for review. If you are accepted, these will be retained for publicity purposes
- Copies of reviews, if applicable
- SASE – Self-addressed stamped envelope with \$2.00 stamps for return of materials

**PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING CHECKLIST** and send back to: **Karyn Edison, Dancing Arts Center, 9 Whitney Street, Holliston, MA 01746-2087.**

Also, feel free to contact the various members of MDF at: <http://www.massdancefestival.org>.

**Name of Performance Group/Company:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Primary Artist:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Primary Contact:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Dance Style:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Dance:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Length of Performance:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Description of Dance: (up to two paragraphs narrative)**

**Description of Company/Performance Group (up to one page narrative)**

**Technical Requirements:** \_\_\_\_\_