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**DANCEWAVE’S NATIONWIDE EVENT “DANCING THROUGH COLLEGE & BEYOND”  
RETURNS TO 92<sup>ND</sup> STREET Y OCTOBER 7-8, 2017**

*Representatives from the Dance Departments of Over 50 Colleges and Universities to Gather in  
NYC for One-of-a-Kind Audition and Scholarship Event*

**NEW YORK, September 8, 2017**—[Dancewave](#), a Brooklyn-based dance education nonprofit organization championing accessibility to all, returns to the [92<sup>nd</sup> Street Y](#) **October 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>** with its annual **Dancing Through College & Beyond (DTCB)** event. The two-day event will connect high school dance students with college and university dance programs throughout the country, serving as a nexus for U.S. colleges and talented young dancers to meet one-on-one.

For high school seniors attending the event, DTCB presents the opportunity to audition for admission and scholarships to a diverse selection of college dance programs. DTCB, the premier event of its kind, hosts colleges from across the nation at one event, increasing students’ chances of gaining college admission and removing the barriers that dancers and guardians face with multiple college visits.

“DTCB is a unique event that offers high school dancers from all backgrounds the opportunity to learn all about college dance programs in a fun and informative weekend,” says Dancewave’s Executive and Artistic Director **Diane Jacobowitz**. “This uniquely inclusive event eliminates the financial barriers that come with the audition process and enables those who are serious about dance to be seen by not one, but many, strong college dance programs in one fell swoop.”

DTCB helps extend Dancewave’s mission to **make dance accessible to all** by serving as a platform for young dancers to learn from professionals during workshops, panels and networking opportunities. At DTCB, participating students attend panel discussions to learn about career opportunities in the dance field. They have the opportunity to meet and create key peer-to-peer relationships with college dance students and alumni. Movement classes taught by distinguished college dance faculty offer students much-needed insight into dance training at the collegiate level.

In 2016, DTCB had over 50 college, university and conservatory programs in attendance with 300 students from 16 states and more than \$1 million in scholarships awarded by select attending colleges. DTCB 2017 is expected to be the largest and most successful event yet, and registration is limited!

### **PARTICIPATING COLLEGES TO DATE:**

Adelphi University\* / AMDA\* / Boston Conservatory at Berklee / Broadway Dance Center\* / California Institute of the Arts - The Sharon Disney Lund School of Dance / Cornish College\* / DeSales University\* / Drexel University\* / East Carolina University School of Theatre and Dance / George Mason University - School of Dance\* / Hobart and William Smith Colleges\* / Hope College\* / Hunter College / Juilliard / Marymount Manhattan / Ohio State University / Pace University / Peabody Conservatory at Johns Hopkins\* / Point Park University\* / Queensborough Community College - CUNY / Rutgers University - Mason Gross School of the Arts / Sacred Heart University / Slippery Rock University\* / SUNY Brockport / SUNY Purchase\* / Temple University / The Hartt School, University of Hartford / University at Buffalo\* / University of the Arts\* / University of Massachusetts Amherst\* / USC-Gloria Kaufman School of Dance / Virginia Commonwealth University\* / Wayne State University \*

\* Auditioning Colleges

### **EVENT DETAILS**

Registration is free but required—students, parents and teachers can register here:

<http://bit.ly/2eKOR4b>. Students who wish to audition must bring copies of their headshots and resume for each college to which they are applying.

### **Saturday, October 7**

3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. College Fair and peer-to-peer panel discussions (Free)

5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Evening reception and college showcase performances (\$20 fee in advance, \$25 at the door)

### **Sunday, October 8**

2:00 p.m. - 2:45 p.m. Careers in Dance panel discussion (Free)

3:00 p.m. - 7:15 p.m. Movement workshops with distinguished faculty, injury prevention workshops, and college admission and scholarship auditions (Workshops are free; \$10 fee for those auditioning)

### **VENUE INFORMATION**

The 92<sup>nd</sup> Street Y is located at 1395 Lexington Avenue, at the corner of East 92<sup>nd</sup> and Lexington Avenue. The venue is accessible by the 4/5/6 trains.

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### **ABOUT DANCEWAVE**

Dancewave was founded in 1995 by professional choreographer and arts administrator Diane Jacobowitz who was determined to make dance accessible to New York City youth, regardless of their family's ability to afford pre-professional training. The organization's approach to dance education is

holistic, as students receive rigorous instruction from a faculty of world-renowned artists. Their programs incorporate personal development tools to build confidence and self-discipline, and strengthen leadership skills. In addition to taking classes in styles such as ballet, modern, jazz and hip hop, students have the opportunity to join Dancewave's pre-professional dance companies where their training is extended beyond the classroom to rehearsals with renowned choreographers and exciting performance opportunities.