



As SMAPA celebrates its ten year anniversary, many of its students have gone on to higher education, both in dance and related arts. Below are some of our alumni:

Nefertiti Alves – University of Pittsburgh

Candace Bouknight – Howard University

Candice Bynum – Temple University

Chloe Gutelle – Vassar College

Amanda Hudson – Rutgers University

Kelly Lands – apprentice, New Jersey Ballet

Mykal Laury – Philadanco Dance Company

Chalvar Montiero – Purchase College, SUNY

Brittany Rhodie – Howard University

Caroline Yost – George Mason University

Leah Haynesworth – Princeton University

# ADOPT A DANCER

## Why is dance education important?

Because it transforms lives!

## Why adopt a dancer?

Because it helps us level the playing field for children!

Every year we receive requests from well over 100 families who cannot afford to enroll their children in our programs. We have never turned a family away, and to meet these needs we have established tuition assistance through scholarships.

We owe an enormous debt of gratitude to those of you who have supported the SMAPA Scholarship Fund. We still need your support and invite others to join our Adopt a Dancer campaign.

Many of the children whose lives have been touched by your generosity have graduated from our program. Some have joined professional dance companies and others have gone on to study dance or drama at colleges and universities across the country. Their success is your legacy!



## Our annual scholarship goal is \$50,000.

Your contribution of \$500 will pay for one child taking one class a week for an entire school year.

Your gift will make a huge difference for the children and their families.



Every dollar counts and whatever amount you wish to contribute will be welcomed. Our annual scholarship opportunities for giving include:

**The General Scholarship Fund:** The General Fund supports one hundred children ages 3-17 in our summer camp and/or school year programs.

**The Joyce Copeland Scholarship:** This \$3000 award is given to a deserving student between the ages of 10 and 12 who demonstrates keen interest and ability in dance.

**The Performance Workshop Ensemble Scholarship Program:** This full tuition merit-based scholarship of \$3000-\$5000 per student is awarded to 15 gifted and talented young people between the ages of 12 and 17.

We are grateful for your generosity and continuing support.

Warmest regards,

Sharron Miller,  
Artistic Director

Rose Cali, President of  
the Board of Directors

**Yes!** I would like to help SMAPA continue to grow and nurture our children.

Levels of giving are:

Supporters (up to \$500)

Friends (\$500-\$1000)

Patrons (\$1000-\$5000)

Benefactors (\$5000-\$10,000)

Angels (\$10,000-\$50,000)

Sharron Miller's Academy for the Performing Arts (SMAPA) is a 501(c)(3) organization and contributions are tax-deductible.

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Name

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Address

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City/State/Zip

Enclosed is a check (make payable to SMAPA, Inc.)

Please charge my credit card.

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Signature

My company has a matching grant program. Enclosed is a form.

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