

Linda and William Hamilton Dance Wellness Symposium Guidelines

INTRODUCTION

The *Linda and William Hamilton Annual Dance Wellness Symposium* will be held in conjunction with the IADMS Annual Conference. The purpose is to highlight dance medicine professionals emerging research on wellness, with a focus on the multifaceted aspects of physical and psychological stressors on those who dance. Abstracts submitted for the IADMS Annual Conference that feature multidisciplinary individual or collaborative research, and/or clinical focus in their approach to dancer health and wellbeing are encouraged to apply for this award.

AWARD

Three abstracts will be selected for this prestigious award. The recipients will receive a \$1,000 monetary prize and certificate(s) of achievement. They also will present their work at the Annual Conference in the highlighted *Linda and William Hamilton Annual Dance Wellness Symposium* section.

QUALIFICATIONS

Papers must encompass at least three recognized fields in dance medicine and science (see the full list of recognized fields in the abstract submissions system). One of the fields must include a focus on mental health.

APPLICATION PROCESS

When submitting an abstract in accordance with the IADMS Call for Presentations, indicate that you wish to be considered for the Hamilton Symposium by checking the appropriate box in the on-line submission form. Following the IADMS internal blind review process for Annual Conference abstract submissions, those submitters that meet the qualifying criteria will then be reviewed by an independent adjudicating body. The selected recipients of the award will be notified in advance of the conference and given their allotted amount of time for their presentation by the IADMS Program Committee and Hamilton Symposium Awards Group. *If your abstract is not chosen for the symposium it will remain in consideration for the main conference program.*

ANNOUNCEMENT

Winners will be notified via email in advance of the general announcement of the Hamilton Symposium's agenda on the website and social media outlets prior to the IADMS Annual Conference. Awards will be given at the IADMS Annual Conference.

QUESTIONS?

Inquiries about the *Linda and William Hamilton Dance Wellness Symposium* can be emailed directly to HamiltonSymposium@iadms.org.