INTRODUCTION

Every year, the IADMS Dance Educator Award recognizes teaching excellence by honoring dance educators and dance organizations who have made significant contributions to dance science. These educators stand at the forefront of the field through their commitment and involvement, by inspiring students and colleagues to explore the value of dance science in their practice—be it teaching, training, researching, treating, or serving.

The IADMS Dance Educators’ Committee needs YOU to nominate a dance educator/organization that has a notable impact on their students and the community.

CRITERIA

The nominee should meet two or more of the criteria:

- Has a practice driven by knowledge and expertise in dance science.
- Endeavors to bring an innovative and progressive approach to this practice.
- Contributes to dance science research
- Dedicates themselves to continued learning
- Prioritizes dancers’ holistic well-being
- Creates a physically and emotionally safe environment for learning
- Commits themselves to intersectionality and the interlocking principles of diversity, equity, and inclusion.

We invite nominations from students of all ages, colleagues, dancers, parents, medical professionals, and/or all others who have been positively affected by a great teacher or organization. Individual teachers may also nominate themselves. Dance educators and organizations from all countries and all sectors of the field are eligible to receive the Dance Educator Award.

SUBMISSION DETAILS

- The call for nominations closes on June 19.
- Nominations must be submitted via the Dance Educator Award online form (access here)
- Nominees will be contacted to provide additional information if required, in July.
- The IADMS Dance Educators’ Committee will select the recipients and announce them in October at the conference in Columbus, Ohio, on the IADMS website, and the Facebook page.

AWARD

In addition to recognition, the award winner will receive a physical award and a one-year membership to IADMS.

Please note that members of the IADMS Dance Educators’ Committee or current Board of Directors are not eligible to nominate or be nominated for this award.