



National Honor Society for Dance Arts™

*We envision a nation in which all students have equal opportunity and access to quality dance arts education and are recognized for their outstanding artistic merit, leadership, and academic achievement in the field of dance.*

## Mission

1. To recognize outstanding artistic merit, leadership, and academic achievement in students studying dance in public and private schools in K-12 education, dance studios, cultural/community centers, performing arts organizations, and post-secondary education.
2. To foster an appreciation for dance as a true art form and one worthy of recognition and prestige.

## What is the NHSDA Honor Society?

The national honor society for dance arts, is designed for dance education students, dance educators, and professional dancers to express their devotion to the art form by sharing, recognizing, and promoting dance education within schools and communities.

NHSDA chapters are designated for students in middle school, high school, college/university, and private/community studios. By promoting NHSDA, The National Dance Education Organization recognizes outstanding students and professionals internationally.

The honor society enables students and professionals to advocate for dance evolution by:

- Promoting quality programs in dance education and the arts
- Recognizing young and professional choreographers by adjudicating their work through the Choreographic Evaluation Project
- Providing leadership in dance education by publishing dance education articles, providing networking opportunities, and organizing educational events and workshops for educators, artists, and students
- Expanding the student vision of dance from the self to the world by encouraging community service

## Benefits of Membership in NHSDA?

- Recognition of students and advisors for outstanding artistic and academic achievement
- Performance and technique classes offered at conventions and workshops across the nation
- Publication possibilities of creative and scholarly writings
- Educational development opportunities
- Networking with dance students and professionals
- Leadership activities
- Induction and other recognition ceremonies
- Special awards presented to outstanding senior graduates
- Outreach programs to the community and many more!