

Wednesday, January 22, 2025

## Gibney Seeks Community Actionists

Company: Gibney Dance

Location: New York, NY

Compensation: Compensation starts at \$20/hour for rehearsals and training. Workshop rates start at \$100/per workshop, with room for growth.

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Gibney seeks 4 Community Actionists (CA) with strong contemporary dance skills, teaching and facilitation experience, and a focus on social action to join the Community Action team starting March 2025.

Community Actionists are dance artists that advocate for healthy relationships with young people using choreographed dance performances, dialogue, and interactive activities in schools and youth organizations across New York City in the form of [Hands are for Holding®](#) workshops.

Ideal candidates include dancers with:

- Strong contemporary dance skills and experience in partnering
- Background in learning set choreography
- The ability to adapt and creatively problem solve in non-traditional performance spaces
- Strong teamwork skills such as open-mindedness, adaptability, responsiveness, and creativity
- Interest and experience in teaching young people
- A flexible schedule that allows space for as-needed workshops (the amount of hours worked varies from week to week)
- Availability for an in-person invited audition on either February 18 or February 19
- Availability for the CA Intensive Training: March 5, 6, 7 and March 11, 12.

Additional preferred qualities and skills include:

- Teaching experience within NYC schools
- Fluency and comfortability in having conversations in a language besides English
- Interest in addressing gender-based violence or other social justice issues
- An interest and engagement with anti-racist practices

Mandatory Actionist training on the following days at Gibney 280:

- Wednesday, 3/5, 9:30 am - 5:30 pm
- Thursday, 3/6, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm
- Friday, 3/7, 10:00 am - 5:30 pm
- Tuesday, 3/11, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm
- Wednesday, 3/12, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Each Hands are for Holding® workshop typically ranges from 45-60 minutes long and takes place between 9:00 am - 6:00 pm, Monday through Friday. Gibney coordinates the workshop schedule with each school's calendar, typically 2-4 weeks in advance, and then reaches out to the CA team to cast each workshop.

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Benefits include:

- Exposure to different kinds of organizations working with young people such as New York City Public Schools, non-profits, social justice agencies, etc.
- Gaining experience in learning more about Gibney Community Action's 4-part model; working collaboratively in sharing teaching practices; offering outlets for creative expression and self care with young people
- Organization-wide opportunities for professional development, access to complimentary staff spots in Gibney's ongoing classes, and more.

We aim to have a team of CAs who reflect the communities we engage in. We encourage dance artists of every race, religion, national or ethnic origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, and age to apply. Dancers who are bilingual are highly encouraged to apply.

### Audition Process:

If you are available for the training dates above and are interested in applying to be part of this unique dance and social justice program, please fill out the application link below. Be prepared to provide the following:

- Basic Contact Information
- Short Form Answers
- Projected Availability for March - June 2025
- Resume or CV that includes your performance and teaching experience
- Headshot
- Link to a Short Dance Video (Vimeo or YouTube are preferred):
  - Dance video or reel, no longer than 3 minutes in length
  - Footage can be improvisation, class and/or performance
  - Specify any password or relevant time stamps for your video and indicate who you are in the video if it is unclear.

The application will be open through Sunday, February 2nd 11:59 PM ET.

Selected applicants will be asked to attend a mandatory audition on either February 18th, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm or February 19th, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm at Gibney 280. Applicants will only be required to attend one of the dates.

To apply, fill out the form [here](#).

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