

ADVOCACY ALERT: NYC DANCE FOR NYS AND NYC

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Dear New York City Dance Community:

As the leading advocate for dance in NYC, Dance/NYC is working with our partners to support our arts agencies at this challenging time.

New York State Council on the Arts (NYSCA) Last week, the State passed a FY 2012 budget cutting NYSCA by 10%, further limiting the agency's vital support for our discipline.

New York City Department of Cultural Affairs (DCA)

The preliminary City budget for FY 2012 proposes more than a 30% cut to DCA Cultural Affairs. Dance/NYC has submitted testimony at City Hall asking for a full restoration of DCA funds, for an investment in the City's recovery and its future. See Dance/NYC testimony here: http://www.dancenyc.org/resources/knowledge-base/advocacy-and-research/id=89

National Endowment for the Arts (NEA)

Yesterday, Dance/NYC joined Dance/USA at Arts Advocacy Day in Washington, D.C., in support of federal funding. For federal advocacy updates, join the <u>Performing Arts Alliance</u>.

Join the Alliance of Resident Theatres/New York as a guest of Dance/NYC tomorrow, April 7, from 10:30-12:30 pm to discuss what we as a community can be doing locally at this challenging time.

Join A.R.T./NY for A Discussion on the proposed City and State Budget with Charles Brecher Deputy Director of the Citizens Budget Commission On Thursday April 7th from 10:30 am - 12:30 pm The Five Angels Theater 789 10th Avenue, 2nd Floor Between W. 52nd and W. 53rd Street

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Please visit <u>DanceNYC.org</u> for updates as we monitor the shifting landscape, and thank you, as always, for all that you do to sustain and advance dance in NYC.

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