

2025  
DANCE COLLECTION DANSE HALL OF FAME  
SPONSORSHIP  
OPPORTUNITIES



## INTRODUCTION

# Bringing The DCD Hall Of Fame To Winnipeg - A City Of Dance Legacy

Dance Collection Danse (DCD) is proud to announce that its annual Hall of Fame celebration will take place this year in Winnipeg. For the first time since its inception in 2018, Dance Collection Danse (DCD) is taking its prestigious Hall of Fame event on the road — and Winnipeg has been chosen as the inaugural host city. Recognized for its extraordinary contributions to Canadian dance, Winnipeg is a natural choice for this milestone moment. This vibrant event recognizes exceptional individuals and organizations whose contributions have shaped the cultural fabric of Canadian dance.

Sunday, November 09, 2025  
The Metropolitan Entertainment Centre  
4pm-8pm

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## ABOUT THE DCD HALL OF FAME

Launched in 2018, the Dance Collection Danse Hall of Fame honours the dancers, choreographers, educators, and advocates who have made lasting contributions to dance in Canada. The annual event features poignant induction ceremonies alongside dynamic live performances, creating an unforgettable celebration of both legacy and innovation. Each year, the Hall of Fame draws an eclectic audience of artists, arts leaders, business professionals, and patrons — all drawn by the shared passion for Canada's diverse and rich dance heritage.

Past inductees include:

Karen Kain, C.C., O.Ont.

Louise Lecavalier, O.C.

Michael Greyeyes

Menaka Thakkar

Evelyn Hart, C.C., O.M., F.R.S.C.

Rex Harrington, O.C., F.R.S.C.

Édouard Lock, O.C., C.Q.

For a full list of inductees visit [here](#).

# 2025 HONOUREES



## Arnold Spohr, O.C., O.M.

A visionary leader and former Artistic Director of the Royal Winnipeg Ballet, Arnold Spohr transformed the company into an internationally acclaimed institution. His dedication to artistic excellence and the development of Canadian talent elevated the profile of dance across the country and around the world.

Photo: Paul Martens



## Rachel Browne, C.M.

Founder of Winnipeg's Contemporary Dancers, Rachel Browne was a trailblazer in modern dance. Her fearless artistry, mentorship, and advocacy opened the door for generations of independent dance creators, making her a foundational figure in Canadian contemporary dance.

Photo: Randal Newman



## Brian Webb

A champion of experimental and interdisciplinary performance, Brian Webb has dedicated his career to supporting and presenting innovative dance through the Brian Webb Dance Company. His vision and commitment have made lasting space for bold, boundary-pushing artistry in Canada.



## Ryan Richard (aka Miss Sandi Bay)

A shining light in both the Indigenous and 2SLGBTQ+ communities, Ryan Richard – also known as drag performer Miss Sandi Bay – has fused powwow, vogue, and drag into a vibrant and empowering dance language. Their work is a celebration of identity, tradition, and fierce creative expression.

# 2025 HONOUREES



## Canada's Ukrainian Shumka Dancers

Presented to Darka Tarnawsky, ED

Blending Ukrainian folk traditions with contemporary choreography, the Shumka Dancers have brought the spirit, strength, and storytelling of Ukrainian culture to stages across the world. Their performances are a tribute to heritage and a testament to Canada's cultural richness.



## William J.s. Boyle Dance Luminaries:

Odette Heyn, C.M. & Faye Thomson, C.M.

As co-founders of the professional program of the School of Contemporary Dancers in Winnipeg, Odette Heyn and Faye Thomson have mentored countless dancers and choreographers through their decades-long commitment to training and creation. Their work has been instrumental in sustaining a thriving dance ecology in Manitoba and beyond.

Photos: (top) Odette Heyn;  
(bottom) Faye Thomson



## Sandra Faire Next Generation Award

With the support of Ivan Fecan

## Ashley "Colours" Perez

Ashley is a dynamic and rising force in Canadian dance. She is redefining what's possible for the next generation – blending hip hop, street styles, and Afro-Caribbean influences with bold movement, powerful storytelling, and a fearless creative voice.

Photo: Wilmer Aburto



# What is Dance Collection Danse?

Dance Collection Danse is Canada's national centre for dance archives, research, and publishing. Through its preservation work, exhibitions, and educational programming, DCD celebrates the artistry, diversity, and innovation of Canada's dance community, ensuring that its stories live on for generations to come.

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## Why sponsor the DCD Hall of Fame?

Sponsoring The Dance Collection Danse Hall of Fame provides numerous benefits for:

**ENHANCED VISIBILITY:** As a sponsor, your organization's name and logo will be prominently featured in all promotional materials, including event invitations, press releases, and social media platforms, reaching a wide and diverse audience.


**POSITIVE BRAND ASSOCIATION:** Aligning your organization with DCD – a highly respected cultural institution – demonstrates your commitment to supporting the arts and preserving Canadian dance heritage.

**NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES:** Gain access to influential leaders in the business and arts communities, fostering valuable connections and partnerships.

**CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY:** Showcase your organization's dedication to corporate social responsibility by investing in the preservation and promotion of Canadian dance culture and the education of future generations.

Joey Hollingsworth with Toronto Dance Theatre Artistic  
Director Andrew Tay  
Marie Chouinard / Photo: Arthur Mola Photography





Evelyn Hart, C.C., O.M., F.R.S.C. performing  
at the Dance Collection Danse Hall of Fame,  
2022/ Photo: Arthur Mola

# SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

We offer various sponsorship levels to accommodate  
your organization's budget and objectives:

## PLATINUM SPONSOR:

**\$15,000 +**

Exclusive recognition as the Official Platinum Sponsor Prominent logo placement on all promotional materials. VIP seating at the Hall of Fame ceremony (3 tables). Opportunity for a dedicated promotional booth at the event.

## GOLD SPONSOR:

**\$10,000 - \$14,999**

Prominent logo placement on all promotional materials VIP seating at the Hall of Fame ceremony (2 tables). Opportunity for a promotional booth at the event.

## SILVER SPONSOR:

**\$5,000 - \$9,999**

Logo placement on all promotional materials. Preferred seating at the Hall of Fame ceremony (Table).

## BRONZE SPONSOR:

**\$2,500 - \$4,999 (4 Tickets)**

Logo placement on event materials. Seating at the Hall of Fame ceremony.

CUSTOMIZED PACKAGES ARE ALSO AVAILABLE TO MEET YOUR SPECIFIC NEEDS AND PREFERENCES.



# TESTIMONIALS

I am still on cloud nine and a little overwhelmed after Sunday's festivities. I just really want to convey the depth of thanks to all of you for not only the work you do to preserve our dance history and recognize its importance in our Canadian landscape, but for making me feel so cherished and supported by this honour.

EVELYN HART C.C. O.M. F.R.S.C.  
(2022 DCD HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE)

As a sponsor for the 2018/2019 Hall of Fame event, we were honoured to be associated with a top level event that placed us in front of decision makers from the arts and entertainment industry. We see this as an opportunity that will only grow as the event will inevitably increase in stature due to the successful execution of the launch. For Naked Creative, this is the kind of sponsorship that we like to be associated with.

PETER SHIER  
PRESIDENT, NAKED CREATIVE CONSULTANCY

When John and I accepted the invitation to attend the Dance Hall of Fame Event in order to honour our friends, Joan and Jerry Lozinski, we had no idea of the type of event it would be. It was spectacular in every way. After living in Toronto for my whole long life and having been interested in dance for more than 55 of those years, I was amazed to see and hear about the diverse group of dance artists who have been forerunners in our collective Canadian Dance Community for all that time.

ELAINE SOLWAY  
(ATTENDEE)

Hannah Fischer and Brendan Saye in  
Guillaume Côté's Hallelujah, 2019 /  
Photo: Arthur Mola



# THANK YOU

We believe that a partnership with Dance Collection Danse will enhance the visibility and impact of your company while promoting the rich tapestry of Canadian dance. By becoming a sponsor of the Dance Collection Danse Hall of Fame, you will play a crucial role in preserving and celebrating the legacy of Canadian dance for generations to come.

I would welcome the opportunity to discuss this proposal further and explore how we can tailor a sponsorship package that aligns perfectly with your organization's goals.

Thank you for considering our proposal. We look forward to the possibility of working together to support and promote the world of dance in Canada.

Please feel free to contact me to arrange a meeting.

Sincerely,  
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[CLICK HERE](#) to visit the official DCD Hall of Fame website.

[CLICK HERE](#) to view Dance Collection Danse's promotional video.

## EVENT PHOTOS

Nova Dance performs Nova  
Bhattacharya's M3, 2019/  
Photo: Arthur Mola  
Inductee Ethel Bruneau, 2021/  
Photo: Dan Brown Photography  
Inductee Édouard Lock, O.C.,  
C.Q., 2023 / Photo: Arthur Mola  
Inductee Rex Harrington, O.C.,  
F.R.S.C, 2023 / Photo: Arthur  
Mola  
Inductee David Moroni, C.M.,  
D.Litt. (h.c.), 2024 / Photo:  
Arthur Mola Photography