



A.I.M by Kyle Abraham's Amari Frazier in Andrea Miller's YEAR. Photo by Chris Strong, courtesy Princess Grace Foundation.

## NEWS

# News of Note: What You Might Have Missed in August 2024



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Here are the latest promotions, appointments, and departures, as well as notable awards and accomplishments, from August 2024. Plus, newly available funding opportunities for dance artists.

## Comings & Goings

**Meagan Helman** has been named artistic director and **Lauren Hernandez** CEO of Tallahassee Ballet, succeeding **Tyrone Brooks** and **Janet Pichard**, respectively. Brooks will shift into the role of artistic advisor and Pichard to CEO emeritus.

**Lily Sutherland** has been named festival director and co-CEO and **Robert Binet** artistic director and co-CEO of Fall for Dance North. They will succeed founding artistic director **Iler Ibrahimof** on November 4.

**Alyssa Martin** has been appointed artistic producer of National Ballet of Canada's Creative Action program, succeeding Robert Binet.

**Julio Bocca** has been named director of Teatro Colón, succeeding **Jorge Telerman**.

**Dr. Mariko Silver** will be the next president and CEO of Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts, beginning September 23.

At Milwaukee Ballet, **Marie Harrison-Collins** has been promoted to leading artist.

At Boston Ballet, **Daniel Durrett** and **Lauren Herfindahl** have been promoted to soloist, **Kaitlyn Casey** and **Courtney Nitting** to second soloist. **Evelina Godunova** has joined as a soloist.

## Awards & Honors

**Eric Best**, **MJ Edwards**, **Amari Frazier**, **Roderick George**, **Barkha Patel**, and **Leonardo Sandoval** are among the recipients of 2024 Princess Grace Awards. Honraria were awarded to

**Miriam Gittens**, **Emara Vonae' Neymour Jackson**, and **Jake Roxander**. **Tushrik Fredericks**, **Marcella Lewis**, **Andrea Miller**, and **Kate Weare** received Special Project Grants.

**Maria Bauman**, **Javon "Ja'Moon" Jones**, and **Nubian Néné** are the recipients of New Dance Alliance's 2024-25 Black Artists Space to Create residency program, which provides one week of dedicated studio and living space and a \$2,000 stipend.

Recipients of New England Foundation for the Arts 2024 National Dance Project Production Grants, which includes \$45,000 toward creation of new work, \$10,000 unrestricted operating support, and \$10,000 toward production residencies and/or community engagement, are **Body Watani**, **The Foundry**, **Kimberly Bartosik/daela**, **KULARTS**, **David Roussève/REALITY**, **Drama Tops**, **Kyle Marshall Choreography**, **BANDALOO**, **Ana Sánchez Colberg**, **Ogemdi Ude**, **dazaun.dance**, **Rebecca Lazier**, **Rashaun Mitchell + Silas Riener**, **Jean Appolon Expressions**, **Flamenco Vivo Carlota Santana**, **CONTRA-TIEMPO Activist Dance Theater**, **Ananya Dance Theatre**, **Michael Sakamoto** and **Paul D. Miller** (aka **DJ Spooky**), **Eiko Otake**, and **Heart Stück Bernie**. 2024 Finalist Awards, which include \$10,000 unrestricted grants, went to **Degenerate Art Ensemble**, **Abby Z and the New Utility**, **Joti Singh**, **Takahiro Yamamoto**, **New York Theatre Ballet**, **Rennie Harris Puremovement**, **Artichoke Dance Company**, **PARA.MAR Dance Theatre**, **Christopher K. Morgan & Artists**, **zoe | juniper**, **Barkha Dance Company**, **PHILADANCO!**, **Maya Rau-Murthy/Natya Anubhava**, **J'Sun Howard**, **Gerard & Kelly**, **Jesse Factor**, **Sean Dorsey Dance**, **Versa-Style Street Dance Company**, **PUSH Physical Theatre**, and **Yin Mei**.

## New Funding Opportunities

Applications for the **2024-25 Base Residency Program**, which provides one- and two-week residencies as well as \$1,000-per-week stipends to four Seattle-based and three out-of-town artists, are open through September 25. [More information here.](#)

Applications for the **2025 New York State Choreographers Initiative**, which provides 20 hours of studio time, professional dancers, mentorship, and a \$2,500 stipend to dancemakers based in the state of New York, will open October 1 and be accepted through December 7. Information sessions are slated for September 21 and 26 and October 8. [More information here.](#)