

## Dance Department Winter Information



Dear UCI Dance Undergraduates and Graduates,

I hope this message finds you recovering and resting.

Here are some key dates and information to keep in mind:

### **Week Five - Winter Activities:**

- Winter Dance Showcase, March 4, 2025 at 7 pm- Message from Professor Reed

- Hello Creative Artists,

I am excited to invite you to participate in our upcoming Winter Dance Showcase! This is a relaxed, informal setting where you'll have the chance to share your creative process and present works-in-progress. It's a fantastic opportunity to perform, get feedback, and connect with other dancers.

Bring your friends from across campus! We want this to be a community-building event where everyone feels welcome and inspired.

If you're interested, let us know and fill out the form below. I can't wait to see what you've been working on!

### [WINTER SHOWCASE](#)

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc9TGG6\\_Hllz2yOM65WqPaeEB-9AUQwhT0d2hGNo5zLENUvUA/viewform?usp=header](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc9TGG6_Hllz2yOM65WqPaeEB-9AUQwhT0d2hGNo5zLENUvUA/viewform?usp=header)

- **Please refer** to the attached flyer for wonderful opportunity to take a class with Houston Ballet Principle Dancers- Beckanne Sisk and Chase O'Connell On February 9, 2025.



● **Summer Internship Opportunity: Vail Dance Festival**

○ Attached you'll find a flier with some additional details and more information on how and where to apply. Detailed job descriptions and application information can also be found on our website at [www.vaildance.org/about/work](http://www.vaildance.org/about/work).

[https://zotmail.uci.edu/RTE\\_uploads/16/vaildancefestinternships.pdf](https://zotmail.uci.edu/RTE_uploads/16/vaildancefestinternships.pdf)

● **Please refer to the attached American College Dance Association email with summer intensives and activities.**

[https://zotmail.uci.edu/RTE\\_uploads/16/W25DanceOpportunities.pdf](https://zotmail.uci.edu/RTE_uploads/16/W25DanceOpportunities.pdf)

Please investigate if this right for you: [National Honor Society for Dance Arts \(NHSDA\)](#)

● **[Visceral Dance Chicago Auditions & Summer Intensive](#)**

○ Please consider sharing our upcoming Company Auditions and Summer Intensives with your community!

○ Visceral Dance is a national and internationally recognized driving force in contemporary dance, that is dedicated to providing a diverse, and inclusive environment where your artistic voice

matters. Visceral is a platform for collaborative processes with both emerging and world-renowned choreographers, as well as choreographic works by Founder/Artistic Director, Nick Pupillo. Through the exploration of raw and human qualities, we create work that is meaningful, powerful, and that confronts and connects us in a transformative way.

● [Alonzo King LINES Ballet | Summer Programs](#)- Please check out these incredible opportunities.

● South Chicago Dance Theatre Auditions

○ South Chicago Dance Theatre is thrilled to announce its upcoming open call audition for the organization's 9<sup>th</sup> season. SCDT provides a 40-week salaried contract that includes competitive salaries, paid holidays, physical therapy, health insurance, as well as dental and vision

insurance. Our diverse repertoire incorporates renowned contemporary choreographers, historic dance

work and the company tours nationally and internationally. Artists from SCDT have been featured for

two consecutive years on Dance Magazine's annual 25 to Watch list and the Chicago Tribune calls SCDT "the next big thing to hit

Chicago's dance scene"!

○ The audition takes place Friday, March 7 and Saturday, March 8, 2025. In order to be considered for an audition slot, dancers must submit a resume, headshot, and minute- long improvisation video

to [auditions@southchicagodancetheatre.com](mailto:auditions@southchicagodancetheatre.com) no later than

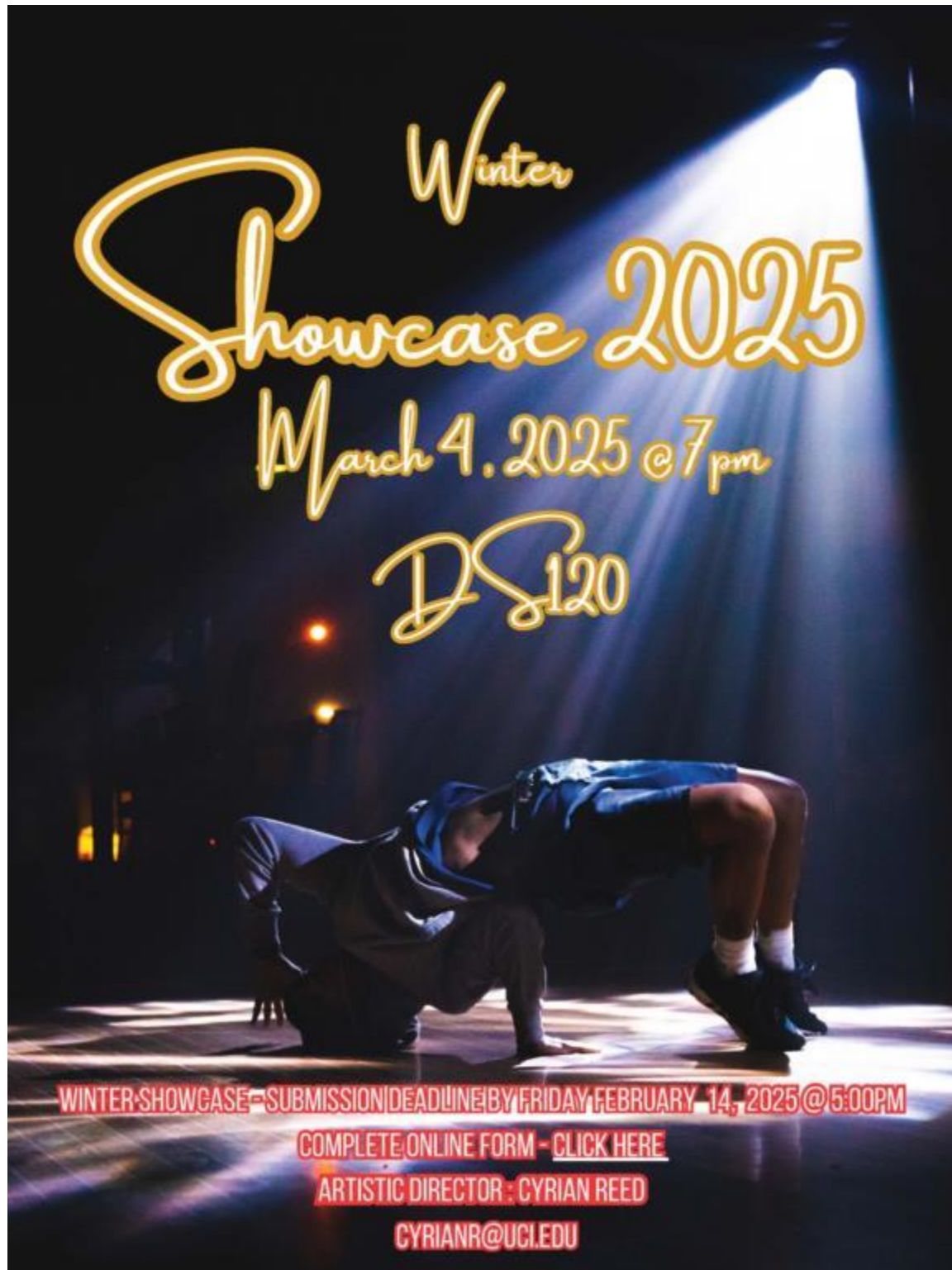
Monday, March 3, 2025.

### **Department Updates:**

#### *Dancer Auditions*

- Dance Escape Dancer Audition, Tuesday, February 4, 2025 at 6 pm.
- Physical Graffiti Dancer Audition, Monday, February 24, 2025 at 6 pm.

- Winter Showcase March 4, 2025 at 7 pm in DS 120. Please refer to the flyer and make sure to meet the deadline to submit work.



### *Winter Undergraduate Advisor*

- Professor Diefenderfer is back from sabbatical and she will return as the Undergraduate Advisor. Please contact her at this email address: [dldiefen@uci.edu](mailto:dldiefen@uci.edu).

### *Physical Therapist Update:*

- *Dr. Ashley Wallace Leon will start on March 3, 2025. Standby for instructions on how to set up appointments with her. So excited to have her back as part of our team.*

### *Policy Updates, Reminder, and Resources*

1. You can find the Undergraduate Student Handbook [here](#).
2. Please do not block the doors with the gastroc wedges- aka calf stretching blocks or trash cans. Please keep these blocks and trash cans in their correct homes.
3. Please remember to keep all studio doors closed and do not prop them.
4. Please do not be in the studios with our reservations. Refer to the handbook for methods to reserve space.
5. Please make sure not to wear lotion, body oils, etc. to aid in supporting the integrity of our flooring.
6. Please make sure not up your bags within 18 inches of the fire extinguishers and keep the exits to the studios clear. Please use the storage provided in each space. These areas need to be clear in case of emergency.

### *Wellness*

- Prioritize Self-Care- Focus on care and repair!

Your well-being is paramount!!

Make sure to plan ahead for the upcoming busy next few weeks.

Sending lots of positive energy to help you for the middle of the quarter.

Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or would like to schedule a meeting.

Best regards,

Dr. Sharp