**Tennessee Association of Dance**

**Outstanding Dance Educator Guidelines**

The Tennessee Association of Dance annually solicits nominations for the Outstanding Dance Educator Award each mid summer. This peer award honors the fine professionals working in Tennessee and also earns public recognition for the importance of dance education. The honoree is awarded a plaque at the Tennessee Dance Festival and receives free annual membership and conference registration the following year.

The Outstanding Dance Educator Award recognizes and honors excellence in the field of dance education. The recipient must:

• Have a minimum of five years experience teaching dance within the state of Tennessee

• Hold current individual professional membership of the Tennessee Association of Dance

• Have been a member of TAD for at least three out of the last five years

• Exhibit excellence in teaching technique

• Exhibit the ability to engender a love and enthusiasm for dance

• Offer high quality artistic opportunities for students

• Show concern for the unique needs of individual dancers

• Be nominated for the award by an individual professional TAD member

Service within the local community and on a statewide level will also be considered. Final selection will be determined by the Tennessee Association of Dance board of directors from nominations made by Tennessee Association of Dance member professionals. The award will be presented at the Tennessee Dance Festival.

This award is made at the discretion of the TAD Awards Committee and Board of Directors, based on the merit and presentation of the nominations. The Association is not obligated to give the award.

**Application must be postmarked by August 23rd, 2019.**

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Name of Nominee

Nominee’s place of business:

Describe the capacity in which you know the nominee:

Please give supporting data for your nomination. Attach a current resume:

Your name

Address

Phone Date of Application:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Application must be postmarked by September 4 to:**

**Submit to: info@tennesseedance.org**