

CANDACE M. MURPHY

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PROFILE

Accomplished Dancer and Dance Educator for over 35 years. Highly skilled teaching abilities and student responsiveness. Certified in Secondary Education.

Qualifications/Achievements Include:

- Recognized by the New Orleans City Business Magazine for community work.
- Restructured and Implemented new dance ministry programs throughout New Orleans area.
- Danced with Dasher Dance Company (New Orleans, LA)

DANCE EXPERIENCE AND EDUCATION

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES, New Orleans, LA, Liturgical Dance Instructor (1995-2005)

- Restructured the Liturgical Dance Program.
- Provided weekly dance technique to the youth of the Parish.
- Choreographed dances according the Liturgy.
- Conducted workshops and dancer seminars.

DASHER DANCE COMPANY, New Orleans, LA, Dance Instructor and Performer (2000-2004)

- Instructed by Dr. Tannis Dasher.
- **Areas of Study: Ballet, African, Jazz, and Praise Dance.**
- Taught classes in the Dance Academy to girls (ages 5-16).
- Taught in National Praise Dance Conferences
- Performed in various venues.

AUSTERLITZ STREET BAPTIST CHURCH, New Orleans, LA Instructor (2003-2004)

- Dance Instructor and Choreographer for Specific events
- First Place Christian Weight Loss Program Instructor.

NEW ORLEANS SCHOOL OF THE ARTS New Orleans, LA (1984-1990)

- Instructed by Greer Goff
- **Areas of Study:** Ballet, Jazz, Modern and African
- **Honors and Activities**
Performed for the City of New Orleans Brown Bag Concert Series, as well as, various other venues around the City.

CYNTHIA MCKENNA ACADEMY OF DANCE, New Orleans, LA (1970-1984)

- Instructed by Cynthia McKenna
- **Areas of Study:** Ballet, Tap, Jazz, Baton Twirling, Modern and Gymnastics
- **Honors and Activities**
Outstanding Dancer of the year
Student Teacher
Various awards and accolades

HONORS AND AWARDS

Catholic Youth Organization – Service Award
Knights of Peter Claver Exemplary Service Award
Livingston Middle School - College and Career Day Speaker
Livingston Middle School – Cheerleader Coach
Livingston Middle School – Drama Department
Katrina Survivor’s Network – Volunteer
Small Business Administration Disaster Relief Disbursement Award
George Washington Carver High School – Track Team Stretch and Conditioning Coach
First Place Christian Weight Loss Program Facilitator
Dallas Women’s Museum – Lecturer on Small Business Development

CHOREOGRAPHY AND PERFORMANCES

100 Black Men Annual Convention (Miami, FL) –Chorographer Youth Breakfast Performance
Austerlitz Street Baptist Church- Dance Instructor for Christian Debutante
Choreographed the Silver Anniversary Celebration for Father V. Cohea
Austerlitz Street Baptist Church Pastor’s Anniversary Celebration
St. Francis de Sales Mass of Zion- Choreographer
Union Bethel’s Annual Thanksgiving Production
National Junior Knights of Peter Claver Convention – Dance Instructor
Lafon Nursing Home
St. David Catholic Church
Top Teens of America
ACT-SO NAACP National Competition

CURRENT PROJECTS

Bishop Dunn School – Dallas, TX After-School Ballet Program
Girls Incorporated – Dallas, TX Ballet Instructor/ Choreographer