



## THE DANCE ARCHIVE

# 2026 LEGENDS OF DANCE HONOREES NAMED BY THE DANCE ARCHIVE

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DENVER -- The Dance Archive at the University of Denver is pleased to announce our 2026 Legends of Dance honorees. Each honoree will record a video oral history interview which will be added to The Dance Archive's extensive collection, and all will be recognized at an awards presentation in October at the Cleo Parker Robinson Dance Center for the Healing Arts.

The honorees are:

**Allie Coppeak** - Dance philanthropist and arts administrator

**Janice Guy-Sayles** - Choreographer, dancer, and dance educator

**Bobbie Jaramillo** - Co-Director of Littleton Ballet Academy

**Amy Kenney** - Owner of Boulder Body Wear and master pointe shoe fitter

**Namita Khanna Nariani** - Creator of Mudra Dance Studio, which celebrates East Indian cultural diversity through dance and music

Kathi Crum, President of The Dance Archive board, says "The Dance Archive invites you to join us in celebrating the achievements of this year's Dance Legend honorees at the world-class Cleo Parker Robinson Dance Center for the Healing Arts. The evening will feature diverse performances by past Legends and hors d'oeuvres. Most importantly, we will recognize those who have made an outstanding impact on dance in Colorado. Whether you are a dance enthusiast, patron, dance student, or educator, this event is for you. We look forward to celebrating Colorado's dance legacy with you."

Celebrating its twenty-second year, our Legends of Dance program has honored more than 100 individuals and organizations who have made an outstanding contribution to dance in our state.

Past interviews are available online in our digital repository at [specialcollections.du.edu](https://specialcollections.du.edu).

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**AT A GLANCE**

WHAT: Legends of Dance Celebration

WHO: The Dance Archive

WHEN: October 18, 2026

LOCATION: Cleo Parker Robinson Dance, 119 Park Ave W, Denver, CO 80205

**ABOUT THE DANCE ARCHIVE:**

The Dance Archive is a special collecting area with the University of Denver's Special Collections and Archives. Its mission is to advance education and engagement with resources across all genres of dance and movement.

Information about The Dance Archive: [thedancearchive.org/](http://thedancearchive.org/)

About Legends of Dance: [thedancearchive.org/programs](http://thedancearchive.org/programs)