

Luna Dance Institute Crystallizes Theory of Change

Shifts in organization's leadership made to align

Berkeley, CA - Luna Dance Institute announces a shift in organizational roles and titles this September. Entering its 27th year, the organization restructured leadership positions to align with their newly articulated and designed [Theory of Change](#). To support the organizations' mission and dedication to defending and furthering children's freedom, co-directors Patricia Reedy and Nancy Ng have changed their titles to Executive Director – Creativity & Pedagogy (Reedy), and Executive Director-Creativity & Policy (Ng). Cherie Hill, former Chief of Staff, has stepped into a leadership position as the Director of Community & Culture.

A recognized arts leader and nationally acclaimed organization, Luna Dance Institute continues to fulfill their mission to bring creativity, equity and community to every child's life through the art of dance. Guided through inquiry, the organizations' Theory of Change connects three integral components: children, dance, and policy. Children embody the future, dance cultivates creativity, and policy sustains equity. Through ongoing questioning of assumptions and investigation of possibilities, the Theory of Change predicts that change is imaginable within one generation. Each year, Luna's programs help more than 20,000 children and 300 dance educators to discover and deepen their connections to the transformative power of dance. The crystallization of the organization's Theory of Change comes at a crucial time as they move forward on major initiatives. This year the organization begins the process of securing a permanent community dance facility, and forming a pedagogy and research center to further the advancement of dance education in CA.

In regards to these shifts and visions for the future, founder Patricia Reedy states, "As a learning organization, I am excited about developing intergenerational leadership on our staff and board to expand the loop of pedagogy to practice to policy, and to keep my own curiosity alive."

For more information on Luna Dance Institute visit lunadanceinstitute.org. Join the organization in a number of free community events this October (Dance & Disability Discourse and Panel) and spring (Equity in Dance Panel and 20 Points of View).

About Luna Dance Institute

Luna Dance Institute (LDI) is the most comprehensive dance education organization on the west coast. We serve children, families, dance artists, educators, schools and organizations through a variety of programs aimed at increasing access to dance for all. LDI's programs include Professional Learning; Studio Laboratory; School and Community Alliances (SCA); Moving Parents and Children Together (MPACT). Luna's Building Cultures of Dance initiative offers program planning, implementation, consultation and evaluation to schools, districts, and arts organizations throughout the country.    

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