

Dance Librarians Discussion Group minutes
ALA Midwinter Meeting, Anaheim, California
Sunday, June 24, 2012
Disney's Grand Californian Hotel, Trillium B
1:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m.

Attendees: Genie Guerard (UCLA Special Collections), Diana King (UCLA), Irlanda Jacinto (Dance Heritage Coalition fellow), Claudia Covert, (Rhode Island School of Design), Christi Weindorf (San Jose State University), Joe Tally (American Conservatory Theater), Dominique Bourassa,(Yale University), Libby Smigel (Dance Heritage Coalition), Alessia Zanin-Yost (Western Carolina University), Helice Koffler (University of Washington)

- Helice began the meeting by announcing that although she will be continuing as DLDG convener for 2013, a new convener or co-conveners are being sought for a term beginning in 2014. Please contact her if you are interested or have any questions.
- Dance Heritage Coalition Executive Director, Libby Smigel gave an update on the progress of the Secure Media Network, a pilot project to provide access to digitized materials held by DHC member institutions. She invited attendees to test out the [pilot site](#) as the project moves into its next phase, as well as to send in suggestions for a new name for the network. She also provided information about the Summer 2013 Fellowship program for library school students, including how to apply.
- Genie Guerard described how the CLIR "Hidden Collections" grant supporting the Foundations of Dance Research project, was contributing to greater access to primary source dance materials at UCLA. Among the collections being processed are the 83 linear feet of Ruth St. Denis papers.
- Current DHC Fellows, Irlanda Jacinto (University of Arizona) and JP "Penny" Huffman (a recent graduate of the University of British Columbia) shared some of their experiences from their summer placements.
- Open discussion included: concerns expressed over a possible redesign of the Library of Congress's American Memory pages and the relevance of this topic to the theme of the 2013 Society of Dance Scholars Conference in Norway.

Respectfully submitted,
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