Memorandum

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

Date: January 22, 2009

Agenda Item No. 10(A)(1)

To: Honorable Chairman Dennis C. Moss
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

From: George M. Burgess
County Manager

Subject: FY 2008-2009 Dance Miami Choreographers Fellowship Program Recommendations

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Recommendation
It is recommended that the Board approve $30,000 in funding support for three (3) fellowship awards to Miami-Dade choreographers from the FY2008-2009 Dance Miami Choreographers Fellowship Program.

Scope
The impact of this agenda item is countywide.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source
Funding for the Dance Miami Choreographers Fellowship Program comes from Department of Cultural Affairs' proprietary revenues approved in the FY2008-2009 budget.

Track Record/Monitor
Michael Spring, Director of the Miami-Dade Department of Cultural Affairs, is responsible for monitoring the fellowship contracts.

Background
Three $10,000 fellowships are being recommended for outstanding Miami-Dade choreographers selected by the program panel for the 2008-2009 Dance Miami Choreographers Fellowship Program. The Dance Miami Choreographers Fellowship Program supports the artistic development of Miami-Dade County-based choreographers for the creation of new work in all dance forms, including modern dance, ballet and folk.

A panel of national dance experts met on October 20, 2008 to review the submissions. The selection of the recommended fellowship recipients was based primarily on the quality of the choreographers' work as evidenced by the work samples submitted in video format.

The recommended choreographers are:

Josee Garant $10,000
1270 NE 105th Street, #12, Miami Shores, FL 33138
Ms. Garant is a professional choreographer, dancer and teacher. She holds a BFA from York University, Ontario, Canada. Her work has been presented in Canada, United States, Mexico, France and Japan.

Lori Ilise George $10,000
13126 W. Dixie Highway, Miami, Florida 33161
Ms. George, artistic director of Ballet Flamenco la Rosa, has created more than 100 works in pure Flamenco style, as well as cross-cultural collaborations and full-length dramatic Flamenco Ballets. She has performed in Spain, France and the United States.

Augusto Soledade $10,000
8311 SW 107th Avenue, Apt. D, Miami, Florida 33173
Mr. Soledade is the artistic director of Brazz Dance Theater. Mr. Soledade has performed his works at the Merce Cunningham Studio in New York and Jacob's Pillow. He has an MFA in Dance from the State University of New York College at Brockport.

The Cultural Affairs Council approved these recommendations at their monthly meeting on October 22, 2008.

Assistant County Manager

MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairman Dennis C. Moss and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: January 22, 2009

FROM: R. A. Cuevas, Jr. County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 10(A)(1)

Please note any items checked.

_____ **"4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised**

_____ **6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing**

_____ **4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing**

_____ **Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget**

_____ **Budget required**

_____ **Statement of fiscal impact required**

_____ **Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation**

_____ **Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing**

_____ **Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)**

_____ **No committee review**

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

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1-22-09

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FUNDING OF THREE FELLOWSHIP AWARDS TO SOUTH FLORIDA ARTISTS FROM THE FY 2008-2009 DANCE MIAMI CHOREOGRAPHERS FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE CANCELLATION PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN

WHEREAS, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum, a copy which is incorporated herein by reference,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board approves the funding of three (3) fellowships for a total of $30,000 from the Department of Cultural Affairs' 2007-2008 Dance Miami Choreographers' Fellowship Program as follows:

1) Josee Garant	$10,000
2) Lori Ilise George	$10,000
3) Augusto Soledade	$10,000

in substantially the form of the agreement attached hereto and made a part hereof, and authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to execute same for and on behalf of Miami-Dade County; and to exercise cancellation provisions contained therein.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner ,

who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner

and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Dennis C. Moss, Chairman
Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Vice-Chairman

Bruno A. Barreiro	Audrey M. Edmonson
Carlos A. Gimenez	Sally A. Heyman
Barbara J. Jordan	Joe A. Martinez
Dorrin D. Rolle	Natacha Seijas
Katy Sorenson	Rebeca Sosa
Sen. Javier D. Souto	

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 22nd day of January, 2009. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By:_____
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

Stephen Stieglitz

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS
FELLOWSHIP AGREEMENT
Dance Miami Choreographers Fellowship Program

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered this _____ day of _____, 20 _____, between the MIAMI-DADE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS, ("Department"), and *NAME OF ARTIST*, ("Artist"), *ADDRESS* as follows:

1. After a competitive process and jurying by a panel of national dance experts, the Department awards to Artist one non-matching $10,000 Choreographer's Fellowship Award ("Fellowship"), solely on the basis of creative artistic excellence, to improve his/her artistic skills; to encourage Artist's career development; and for the creation of new work in all dance forms; in consideration for Artist's agreement to abide by the following terms and considerations set forth in this Agreement.

This Fellowship is for use by the Artist according to his or her needs in developing new work. Funds are not intended to support previously announced works or works in progress. Funding of the Fellowship will be paid from the Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs' FY2008-2009 annual operating budget.

The Artist hereby attests that he/she has lived in MIAMI-DADE COUNTY for one year at the time of the application deadline of August 8, 2008 and is over 18 years of age.

Artist further agrees to provide public performances of a new work developed through the support of this program by September 30, 2009. The Department's program administrator must receive written notice at least three weeks in advance of the public performances. All performance venues must be fully accessible to the public. A narrative final report addressed to the Department will be due forty-five (45) days after the completion of the project.

This agreement shall be in effect during the period October 1, 2008 - September 30, 2009. An extension may be requested in writing from the Director at least thirty (30) business days prior to September 30, 2009. The Director, at his discretion, may grant an extension of up to one (1) year.

It is expressly understood and intended that the Artist is merely a recipient of fellowship funds and is not an agent or employee of Miami-Dade County, its Board of County Commissioners, or the Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs.

In the event the Artist shall fail to materially conform with any of the provisions of this agreement, the Department may withhold or cancel the award giving (15) calendar days' written notice to the Artist, and the County shall have no further obligation to the Artist under this agreement, and the Artist shall repay to Miami-Dade County all portions of the Fellowship which have been received. In the event that this fellowship is canceled or the Artist is requested to repay fellowship funds because of a breach of this agreement, at the Department Director's sole discretion, an Artist found to be deficient

or in default of this contract may be declared permanently ineligible to apply to the Department of Cultural Affairs' programs. Reinstating the Artist's eligibility to apply is also at the Director's sole discretion, and may only be considered subsequent to all deficient areas having been addressed to the satisfaction of the Director.

The Parties hereto have executed this Agreement on the _____ day of _____, 20 _____.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, by its BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

By:_____
Clerk, Miami-Dade County
Board of County Commissioners

By: _____
County Manager or Designee

Date:_____

Witness:

By:_____
Witness Signature

_____
Witness Printed Name

By:_____
Artist Signature

By:_____
Artist Printed Name

S.S.#_____

Date:_____

(Approved by County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency 4/2008)