



## **Liz Quiñones**

### **Biography**

Liz Quiñones holds a B.A. in Dance from University of Maryland Baltimore County and a M.F.A in Dance from Hollins University. Liz taught dance in Anne Arundel County Public Schools and has remained committed to dance education by being an active teacher, presenter, and adjudicator in regional dance festivals, showcases, and conferences. She has collaborated with Full Circle Dance Company and LucidBeings Dance. Her choreographic works have been toured throughout Maryland and the mid-atlantic region. In 2021, she was awarded *Dance Teacher of the Year-Private Sector* by Maryland Dance Education Association. Liz is currently the Artistic Director of Kinetics Dance Theatre, a non-profit dance organization. She directs Kinetics' resident dance company, teaches dance classes, and oversees the direction and mission of the organization.

### **Statement of interest and intent - *Secretary Understudy***

My interest in serving as *Secretary Understudy* for MDEA is rooted in a commitment to serve my community. I'm interested in sharing my knowledge and vision for the future of dance education. In addition, I'm interested in learning from other dance professionals. I believe I'm well-suited for a position on the Executive Committee because of my experience in both the public and private sectors. I will also be joining Howard County Community College as an adjunct professor this fall, gaining further knowledge of dance in higher education. Most recently, my research has been grounded in deconstructing conventional dance

practices to create inclusivity and equity. I believe my current research interests and diverse background will be valuable for the Secretary position on MDEA's Executive Committee.