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2021 ANNUAL AWARDS PRESENTATION & DANCE COMMUNITY CELEBRATION

Event: See Chicago Dance Annual Awards Presentation & Dance Community Celebration

Awards: *Distinguished Service to the Dance Field Award:* **Randy Duncan**, Dancer, Choreographer, Educator.
Legacy Award: **Hema Rajagopalan**, Dancer, Choreographer, and Founding Artistic Director of Natya Dance Theatre

Date: Tuesday, October 26, 2021, 6–8:30pm

Location: Joffrey Tower - 10 E. Randolph St, Chicago, IL 60601

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2021 AWARDEES



RANDY DUNCAN (*Distinguished Service to The Dance Field Award*)

Randy Duncan, a native of Chicago, who began his dance training with Ms. Geraldine Johnson and credits much of his artistic development with Harriet Ross, has the unique privilege to be a three-time recipient of Chicago's prestigious Ruth Page Award for Outstanding Choreographer of the year. He has received numerous other awards including the Artistic Achievement Award from the Chicago National Association of Dance Masters, three Black Theatre Alliance Awards and the Gay Chicago Magazine After Dark Award. He earned an American Choreography Award Nomination for his choreography in the blockbuster movie *Save the Last Dance*, starring Julia Stiles. Mr. Duncan's work has been seen in the companies of Joffrey Ballet, Giordano Jazz Dance Chicago, Ballet Met and many others. He has created choreography for such theatres as the Goodman and Court Theatre in Chicago and nationally for the Manhattan Theatre Club, South Coast Repertory, Actors Theatre in Louisville, Oregon Shakespeare Festival, Washington Shakespeare Theatre and Portland Opera. Most recently, Duncan's work can be seen in season four of Showtime's "THE CHI." For the past 28 years, he has been on the faculty of The Chicago Academy for the Arts, where he now serves as dance department chair and received the 2019 Faculty Legacy Award. He has been choreographing the finale for Chicago's annual Dance for Life gala since 1994 and has received the 2013 AIDS Foundation Chicago Civic Leadership Award for his work with Dance for Life.



HEMA RAJAGOPALAN (*Legacy Award*)

Hema Rajagopalan is the founder and artistic director of Natya Dance Theatre, founded in 1975, specializing in Bharatanatyam, the dance theater of India. She is a dancer, teacher and choreographer of international repute, committed to preserving and developing the art in new directions for diverse audiences. Rajagopalan has performed as a soloist at prestigious venues worldwide receiving critical acclaim. Noteworthy among them are the Edinburgh Festival UK, Avignon Festival France, The Kennedy Center and in India in most major venues including The Music Academy, Krishna Gana Sabha, Bharat Kalachar amongst others.

Among the many noteworthy awards she has received are an Emmy Award and seven National Endowment for the Arts choreography awards in the United States and the Vishwa Kala Bharathy, a national award for artistic excellence in India.



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