



**Dance Instructor Internship
Missouri History Museum,
St. Louis, MO**

The Missouri History Museum is accepting applications for two *non-paid* internships in our Community Education and Events department. The dance interns will be responsible for creating and leading a dance workshop for K-12 school groups as part of the "Movement with Meaning" program related to the exhibit *Katherine Dunham: Beyond the Dance*. Interns will collaborate together and work with the Education Coordinator in the creation of this workshop, lead the workshop for visiting school groups, and offer additional support to Dunham school programs as requested.

The internship period is from November 15, 2008 – June 1, 2009. The schedule will be flexible and determined every two weeks, with most duties required during the school day. This schedule will be highly variable depending on demand from schools and the needs of the Education Coordinator. Professional activities will take place principally at the History Museum, but other locations (such as the Library Research Center, dance studios in the Saint Louis area, or schools in the Saint Louis region) may be possible as well. Option for credit is available with a minimum completion of 150 hours.

The preferred candidate will be an experienced dancer with a background in Dunham Technique and an undergraduate or graduate student with a GPA of 3.0 or higher majoring in Dance, History, Education, Anthropology, Sociology, Religion, Philosophy, French, Art or other related field. This candidate should have experience with children and/or school groups as well as teaching experience or a background in education. The ability to create a positive, non-threatening environment is essential along with sensitivity to developmental stages in childhood and the capacity to modify content for different ages and abilities. An interest in African American history is desirable but not mandatory.

To apply, applicants should send a résumé and cover letter detailing dance background, experience with children and career goals, along with at least one letter of recommendation. Candidates are invited to provide a DVD or other portfolio representation of dance performance or teaching experience, but should still apply even if these materials are not available. Completed applications should be sent by regular mail or email by October 18th to:

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No Phone Calls Please