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OXBRIDGE ACADEMY ADDS NEW DANCE DIRECTOR

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (October 12, 2016) --- Taking the next amazing leap forward in her career, **Gina Buntz** has joined Oxbridge Academy as the new director of the dance program. She brings more than 25 years of experience as a professional dancer, choreographer and educator to her new role at the independent secondary school in West Palm Beach.

A highly accomplished dance professional, Buntz has taught and choreographed throughout the United States and in Europe, Korea, East Africa and Haiti. Her work has been presented at the American Dance Festival, Edinburgh Festival Fringe, the Centre National de Danse Contemporaine in Angers, France, among others. She has been a member of the dance faculty at the New World School of the Arts in Miami, the Dreyfoos School of the Arts in West Palm Beach, and Cranbrook Schools in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. In addition to teaching students, she has led teacher workshops on modern dance pedagogy for the National Dance Education Organization, California Dance Educator's Association and served as a consultant for the Miami-Dade County Schools' dance magnet programs.



Most recently, Buntz was dance chair at the Los Angeles County High School for the Arts where she mentored young dancers at the pre-professional level. While in L.A., she was a member of the Screen Actors Guild (SAG) and was part of a core group of principal dancers in the movie "Fame" who negotiated the first union salary rate for dancers in film and television.

Buntz is a five-time recipient of a Choreographer's Fellowship from the National Endowment for the Arts. She has also received scholarships from the Fund for US Artists at International Festivals; the New York State Council on the Arts; the American Dance Festival; the Gulbenkian Foundation in London; and the Florida Arts Council.

Buntz holds a B.A. degree from Stephens College and a M.F.A. degree in Dance from the University of Michigan with an emphasis on intercultural studies in dance, ethnomusicology and communications.

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