



CODE OF BEST PRACTICES

Full members of the National Guild are committed to

QUALITY

- by offering broad, sequential programming that is responsive to community needs and reflects their organizations' mission
- by challenging each student to realize his/her highest level of artistic potential
- by affording students the opportunity to participate in recitals, presentations, publications, workshops and/or exhibitions
- by engaging a qualified faculty
- by utilizing an appropriately equipped instructional facility

ACCESSIBILITY

- by serving students regardless of age, sex, gender, race, religion, national and ethnic origin, sexual orientation, ability, or financial circumstances
- by eliminating physical and communication barriers that prevent people with disabilities from participating fully in their programs
- by offering need-based financial aid and/or other subsidized arts education programs
- through administrative and hiring policies that do not discriminate on the basis of age, sex, gender, race, religion, national and ethnic origin, sexual orientation, or disability

ACCOUNTABILITY

- by sustaining and monitoring their mission and service to the community
- by effective management with professional staff
- through governance by a body such as a board of directors that ensures accountability, adherence to mission, and responsiveness to community
- by adhering to policies and procedures that ensure the safety and security of students, faculty and staff

OPENING DOORS TO EXCELLENCE IN ARTS EDUCATION