It is a part of Global Education Center’s mission to offer professional support for ethnically diverse artists by providing them affordable rehearsal space and regular teaching and performing opportunities and by partnering with them to ensure inclusive programming for their various minority communities. Here is a list of dance and music groups in residence who call Global Education Center home. We encourage you to find out more about these organizations and support them and their work.

- Afro Latin Dance Team
- Belly Dancing Shakes
- Blues Dance Nashville
- The Bosch Institute
- English Country Dancers
- Grupo Balanca Capoeira
- iJam
- Kala Nvedanam School of South Indian Classical Music and Dance
- Line Breaks Writing Collective
- Music City Salsa
- Music City Tango
- Nashville Tango Club
- Nyama
- Little Eagle Chinese Dance Academy
- Pink Diamonds Hip Hop
- Sentir el Ritmo Latin Dance Company with Salsa Fierce and La Fuerza Dance Teams
- Swing Dance Nashville
- Tribal Sisters Belly Dance
- Yoivan y Su Son Tropical
- and numerous independent artists!

Luminaries that have performed and taught at Global Education Center and whose work has contributed to the rich cultural landscape include:

- Yosvany y Su Son Tropical
- Grupo Balanca Capoeira
- iJAM
- The Bosch Institute
- English Country Dancers
- Line Breaks Writing Collective
- Little Eagle Chinese Dance Academy
- Music City Salsa
- Music City Tango
- NYC Latin Dance Institute
- Swing Dance Nashville
- Tribal Sisters Belly Dance
- Yoivan y Su Son Tropical
- and numerous independent artists!
The GLOBAL EDUCATION CENTER is a nonprofit multicultural, anti-bias education center that uses the arts of diverse cultures to:

• highlight the commonalities of all people
• promote global awareness and concern
• develop empathy, understanding and respect for the individual and for all of humanity
• support the Center's belief that fairness and justice are basic human rights for all.

Using the arts as a pathway to understanding the various cultural, ethnic and religious groups residing in our community, the Center's staff and teaching and performing artists present sensitive, dynamic and highly participatory programming that creates experiences in the arts that aid in dispelling myths, dismantling stereotypes, unlearning biases and alleviating fears. All programming is designed to create an environment of inclusion and a climate promoting wellness and emotional well-being.

**ABOUT**

**SCHOOL PROGRAMMING**

Global Education Center has created a nationally recognized Multicultural School Outreach Program, called Passport to Understanding, that partners artists of diverse cultures with Middle Tennessee area schools and other educational institutions through hands-on cultural museum presentations, drum and dance residencies in schools, performances in schools and design and implementation of international festivals for schools, after school and home school programming. By being in the classroom with the children and the teachers, we are able to start an early age discussion about acceptance and not mere tolerance of the diverse cultures and people of the world.

**COMMUNITY EVENTS**

We are in the community...

We are not only in the schools but we are also in the community with programming that can access and impact our neighbors in Nashville and continue to create a better community for all. Programs include:

- ARTS ACCESS concert series - presenting local artists from diverse cultures and special guest artists brought in for residencies and performances
- Global Cabaret Music Series - a monthly series, presenting world music traditions featuring local and regional community artists
- Line Breaks Literary Arts Series - created by Thandiwe Shiphrah, presents local, regional and nationally known poets representing the diversity of our community

*We  are  all  related. We  always  have  been. We  always  will  be.*

- Mitakuye Oyasin

As well as teaching the children, we also train more than 350 teachers a year in the nationally recognized model for Pre-K thru 12 teachers on multicultural arts integration. We were hand picked by the Tennessee Arts Commission to create a best practices video for multicultural sensitivity training. This video is still used in trainings today.

**Did you know?**

- Global Education Center serves in more than 150 schools in one year.
- Global Education Center teaches and performs for more than 65,000 people a year.
- Global Education Center is a nationally recognized model for multicultural arts integration that trains more than 350 teachers a year.
- Global Education Center is the recipient of awards from Bridges2Africa Foundation, African Heritage Foundation, Nashville Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and the Peruvian Association.

Please visit our website to register for any of our upcoming classes. Note that classes are subject to change.

**CLASSES & WORKSHOPS**

**CHILDREN’S CLASSES**

- Pre Ballet - Ages 5 - 6
- Ballet I - Ages 6 - 7
- Ballet II - Ages 8+
- Facets - Ages 8+
- Creative Movement - Ages 3 - 4
- Modern Dance - Ages 7+
- Flamenco - Ages 7+
- Capoeria - Ages 4 - 6
- World Percussion - 6+
- Zumba® Kids - 4+
- Jazz - 7+
- Karate - 5+
- Chinese Traditional Dance for Kids
- Bharatanatyam (South Indian Classical Dance)

**ADULT CLASSES**

- African Dance
- Capoeira
- Belly Dance
- Intermediate Salsa
- Class & Social
- Swing Dance
- English Country
- Dancing
- Zouk
- Zumba®
- Cuban
- Afro-Latin Dance
- Flamenco
- Yoga
- Hip Hop
- Argentine Tango
- Bachata
- New York Style Salsa
- Bharatanatyam
- Indian Music & Vocals
- Chinese Dance
- Capoeria
- Pound Fit®
- Blues Dance

**NOTE:** Class names are subject to change.