

# ATLANTIC ARTS ACADEMY OWNER DIRECTS NEW BROADWAY SHOW

## Atlantic Arts Announces New Dance Director, New Instructors, Expanded Program

### BOUND FOR BROADWAY



Atlantic Arts Academy owner and director, **Frank Licari**, is slated to co-direct a new original Broadway full scale musical entitled "**Greenwood**" starring **Adam Pascal** (Broadway Cast of **Rent**) and **Eden Espinoza** (Broadway Cast of **Wicked**). The musical is in the final stages of development and will be headlining at **The New York Musical Theater Festival**. Licari will co-direct alongside fellow former Blue Man Group cast member, **Paul Stancato**. The musical was written and conceived by **Tor Hyams** and **Adam Lebow** and has already had a workshop performance at **The Arena Stage Theater** in Los Angeles to rave reviews. Licari will be heading to New York from Sept 5<sup>th</sup> – Oct 16<sup>th</sup>. Prior to leaving for NYC, Licari will join the cast of "**Six Years**" for **The Caldwell Theater** under the direction of Clive Cholerton. The show runs Aug 10<sup>th</sup> through Sept 4<sup>th</sup>.

### NEW DANCE DEPT. DIRECTOR

Atlantic Arts Academy hires four new instructors including new Dance Department Director and Ballet Mistress, **Miss Trina Jennings**. Along with being a company member and instructor with **Ballet Florida** for their last seven years, Miss Jennings was a member of the esteemed **Richmond Ballet Company** for three years as well as being on staff as an instructor. She was a full scholarship student at **Harid Conservatory**, **Houston Ballet Academy** and **The Leigh Franklin Academy**. In addition to teaching and direction, Trina will also oversee Atlantic Dance Theater, the pre-professional youth dance company of Atlantic Arts Academy.



### NEW JAZZ DEPT. INSTRUCTORS

Also joining the staff at Atlantic Arts Academy is Bak Middle School full time Jazz dance instructor and choreographer, **Mr Carlos DeBarros**. Mr. DeBarros will teach a portion of the level 4/5 Jazz classes at Atlantic Arts Academy. Joining Mr. DeBarros will be longtime local Jazz dance director and choreographer, **Denise McClymont**. McClymont has been teaching in the area for over 17 years and was a student under the tutelage of Jill Harrison. Her students, as well as her choreography, have garnered numerous awards throughout the nation. She will teach a variety of levels at Atlantic Arts Academy.



### EXPANDED MUSICAL THEATER AND VOCAL DEPARTMENT

Joining Mr. Licari to expand the vocal and musical theater department have been **Ms. Aldona Vilcci**, **Miss Lindsey Blount** and **Miss Elizabeth Casalini**. Ms. Vilcci holds her MD and PhD from **The Rimsky-Korsakov Conservatory** in Leningrad as well as **The Bolshoi Moscow Theater**. She was also guest artist in residence at **Columbia University**, **King's College** and **Westchester Conservatory** in NY. As a world renowned soprano, Ms. Vilcci has graced many opera houses and accompanied symphonies all across Europe, Canada and the USA.



**Miss Lindsey Blount** was awarded the prestigious **World Tour Scholarship** to attend the famed **Berklee College of Music** where she graduated in 2009. She then toured through Europe with her own quartet and taught vocal technique in Germany. Being a former



graduate of **Bak Middle School**, **Dreyfoos School of the Arts** and **Atlantic Arts Academy**, Ms. Blount returned to her roots and will teach Vocal Performance and Musical Theater this coming year in Palm Beach County. **Miss Elizabeth Casalini** is a graduate of **Dreyfoos School of the Arts** and has her BFA from **The University of the Arts in Philadelphia**. She has worked with **David Howie**, **Drucie McDaniels**, **Neil Hartley**, **Charles Gilbert** and **Neil Tracy** with **The Arden Theater** and **The Delaware Opera**.



### RETURNING STAFF AND GUESTS

Also joining our staff will be **Manuel Ureta**, formerly from **The Teresa Carreno Ballet of Venezuela**, **Ballet Florida** and **The Ballet Theatre of Santiago**. A master instructor teaching throughout US, Chile and Germany, Manuel will work with Atlantic Dance Theater as well as specialize in boy's ballet classes.

Returning instructors include:

**Larry Albright** (Hip Hop)

**Jesse Furman** (Acting)

**Jeff Harding** (Guitar)

**Pam Petersen** (Piano, Flute)

**Melissa Mocogni** (Piano)

**Rose Accardi** (Pre-Dance, Jazz, Combo)

**Danielle Armstrong** (Ballet, Modern)

**Alexis Weisbrot** (Jazz, Hip Hop, Ballet)

**Stacey Cob** (Pre-Dance, Ballet)

### 2011 AUDITIONS & PRODUCTIONS

Auditions to be held late August/Sept for company membership, ages 9-18, for upcoming productions of, **A Christmas Carol** (drama), **The Mixed Nutcracker** (dance), **Alice In Wonderland** (musical), **Giselle** (ballet), **GOI Improv Troupe**, **Rock Band Ensemble** and **Drama Company Spring Production TBA**.

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