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**DANCER BRINGS HOME AN INNOVATIVE APPROACH
TO TEACHING MATH**

Stark County, OH – Margot Greenlee, a Stark County native now with a nationally recognized dance company in Washington, D.C., will lead a workshop "Making Math Move" as part of the *National Overture of Education and the Arts in Ohio* initiative in Stark County. She is appearing on Tuesday, October 11 at the Jackson Memorial Middle School in Massillon and Wednesday, October 12 at the Crenshaw Middle School in Canton.

The *National Overture* program kicks off an exciting multi-year initiative to demonstrate the power of using the arts to engage students in their own learning and to improve their academic performance in K-12 schools. Teaching through the arts appeals to students of all skill levels and from all cultural and economic backgrounds. In her workshops, Margot will demonstrate effective ways to combine math and movement in a classroom setting, with a focus on 6th-8th grade math in areas identified by the Ohio Achievement tests as particularly needing work.

Margot Greenlee was raised in Stark County and studied at the Canton Ballet. She attended Worley Elementary School in Canton and went to High School at Glen Oak (Plain Local). Her mother taught in Canton Schools and father was a teacher in Akron. Margot currently resides in Washington, D.C. and performs with the nationally recognized Liz Lerman Dance Exchange. As a company member, in addition to her performing responsibilities, she is a primary project director for residencies in the US and abroad, is lead teacher for Dance Exchange institutes, and she conducts Critical Response Process workshops.

The *National Overture* program was developed and organized by the Institute for Education and the Arts, in close cooperation with Stark County Educational Service Center, ArtsinStark and broad range of local representatives of business and civic organizations. For program details or with questions, please contact info@edartsinstitute.org, or call (330) 649-1219 or 202 223-9721 x117.

The Institute for Education and the Arts is a non-profit education organization based in Washington, DC. For more information about the Institute and the *National Overture*, please see www.edartsinstitute.org.

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