### **LEONA HEYWARD HULL**

#### Actor Equity Association

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##### EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

**Lehman College -** *B.S. Degree, Major: Recreation Supervision, Minor: Dance*

#### **Kingsborough Community College -** A.A.S. Degree, Major: Recreation Supervision

**The Alvin Ailey American Dance Center: Certificate Program**

**EMPLOYMENT IN THE ARTS**

**Administrative**

Artistic Director - New Roots Dance Ensemble

Assistant Artistic Director - East Harlem Productions

Artistic Director - Dance and Theater Program YM&YWCA Camping Services

Artistic Director - Choreografitti Temple Of Dance Summer Dance Camp

##### TEACHING EXPERIENCE IN DANCE

12/15 - present Dreiser Loop Senior Center

3/13 – 5/13 Bronx Council On the Arts – Morrisania Air Rights

3/10 – 6/10 Lifetime Arts, Inc. - Mt.Vernon Public Library

3/08 –3/5/08 Mind Builders Creative Arts Inc. – Bronx, Co-op City Senior Center

4/94 –5/10 Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority – Bronx Chapter

2/97 - 9/06 New York Housing Authority, Performing Arts Consultant City Wide

7/02 - 8/02 Gloria Wise Boy & Girls Club Performing Art s Summer Program,

7/97 - 8/01 Manhattanville College – Purchase, NY

10/87 - 5/88 Boy’s Harbor Conservatory for the perform forming Arts - NYC

10/80 – 5/89 Mind Builders Creative Arts Inc. Bronx

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE IN DRAMA/THEATRE ARTS**

10/10 -6/15 Present Mosholu Montefiore Senior Center

10/09 – 6/10 Boys & Girls Club Of Mosholu Montefiore Community Center

3/10 – 6/10 Lifetime Arts, Inc. - Mt.Vernon Public Library

7/97 - 8/01 Manhattanville College, Professor – Purchase, NY

## **CONCERT DANCE**

25 years of “Dance Africa” Brooklyn Academy of Music, The Brooklyn Children Museum, The Thelma Hill Performing Arts Center, Chuck Davis Dance Company, Sounds In Motion Dance Company, Ladji Camara Dance Company, The Joyce Harrigan Dance Company, Royal Korso “Dance Ensemble” Lincoln Center Performing Arts Center, Symphony Space, Hospital Audiences Inc., and East Harlem Products.

# **CHOREOGRAPHY**

“A MIDSUMMER NIGTH ‘S DREAM” - MMCC STAGEKIDS

“TIME STEPPING” A Senior Musical Journey - NYHCA

“REUNION” A Senior Musical Comedy – NYCHA

“THE LESSON” HIP HOP Musical Theatre – NYCHA

“Wedding Bell Blue” A Senior‘s Romance - NYCHA

“HIP HOP STORY” THE MUSICAL – NYCHA

“MEMOIRS” A Senior‘s Tale – NYCHA

Manhattanville Pre - Freshmen Performance

“Rites of Passage” - Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority

Black History Month Citywide tour- Staged “Lamba and Manjani” Brooklyn Children Museum Choreografitti”

**DIRECTOR**

3/2014 – 6/2014 – “Five Historical Women” - Bronx Council On the Arts SPARC Artist

2/2014 – 5/2014 - “The Neighbors” – Baychester Public Library

5/2011 – 6/2013 – “Neighbors”, “A Twisted Christmas Carol”, “Purim” and “The Fruit Salad Topping” Mosholu Montefiore Senior Players

5/2010 -“One Dance At A Time” - Mt.Vernon Public Library

7/97 - 8/01 Manhattanville College – Purchase, NY

##### FILM/VIDEO

"The Believers" - Orion Pictures Corporation

"Striking Back" - Dino Delaurentis Productions

"Remembering Thelma"

Lotus Dance Company

New Roots Muse Dance Ensemble

##### DANCE/ THEATRE TRAINING

Lehman College - Theatre Arts/Drama, Joan Miller - Ballet, Jazz, Graham Technique,

“Chuck Davis” West African

Clark Center For The Performing Arts – Ballet, Limon, Dunham, Afro Brazil and Jazz

Thelma Hill - Horton & Jazz

East Harlem Products – Theatre Arts/Drama

Sounds In Motion – Diane McIntyre & Bernadine Jennings - Horton & Limon Technique

Zena Rommett Studio - Ballet

International African Ballet - Hazel Starks - West African

Ladji Camara – West African “Guinea”

Harper School Of Ballet - Don Farnworth - Ballet

The Alvin Ailey American Dance Ctr. Scholarship Dance Student

127th Street Repertory Ensemble – Theatre Arts/Drama

New federal Theatre –Theatre Arts

Wilamina Taylor – West African Dance

The Paul Robeson Theatre – Theatre Arts/Drama

**BACK STAGE EXPERIENCE**

New federal Theatre – Wardrobe Mistress, Assistance Costume Designer

Stage Manager – Sounds in Motion Dance Company, Mind Builders Creative Arts

A Touch of Folklore and More Dance Company, 127th Street Repertory Ensemble, MMC “Stage Kids”

**GRANTS**

New State Council on the Arts – A Praise Song in Dance

Bronx Council on the Arts “Community Arts Grants”, Bronx Council on the Arts SPARC Artist 2014 & 2015, Lifetime Arts 2010, NYPL Art For LifeTime Grant 2014

**Certifications:** The Writers Guild of America - A Twisted Christmas Carol, Seven Historical Women

**REFERENCES ABOVE REQUEST**