# SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY EDUCATION 495-4

SPECIAL TOPICS: CREATIVE DANCE (K-7)

(D1.00) (Cat. #58815)

Summer Session 1993 (June 28-August 6)

Tuesday & Thursday, 1:00–4:50 p.m.

Location: MPX 7540 (MPX gym)

Instructor:

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PREREQUISITE: EDUC 401/402. Dance experience, though welcome, is not essential.

# COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course is designed for the elementary teacher who would like to use dance in his/her classes. The course will help teachers to use dance in arts, P.E., and classroom contexts. In this experiential class students will dance to develop an understanding of the movement concepts (Action, Space, Time, Force and Relationship) which are the framework for making and teaching dance. The course will explore dance as a non-verbal language, and participants will be introduced to the creative process involved when using and teaching dance as an expressive art form. Students will develop lessons and units of dance.

# COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Class attendance and participation	35%
In-class work	30%
Final written project	35%

# **REQUIRED TEXTS:**

- 1. CREATIVE DANCE, Basic Skills Series, CAHPER publication.
- 2. Anne Green Gilbert, Creative Dance for All Ages, AAPHERD publication.

#### RECOMMENDED TEXTS:

- 1. Anne Green Gilbert, <u>Teaching the Three R's through Movement Experiences</u>, <u>Maxwell Macmillan Canada</u>.
- 2. Mary Joyce, Dance Technique for Children, Mayfield Publishing Co.

### ABOUT THE INSTRUCTORS

Ruth Emerson danced in New York with the Judson Dance Theatre and the Pearl Lang Company. She has a Master of Arts in Dance from the University of Illinois, and she is a Laban Movement Analyst. In recent years she has been making dances for and with adults and children, and developing school arts programs. She is presently an adjunct professor in the Faculty of Education.

Patricia Parker has an Honours Bachelor of Arts in Physical Education from the University of Western Ontario. She received her teaching certification from Simon Fraser University. Her experience includes dancing professionally and studying modern and jazz dance in Toronto, New York and Vancouver. She has eighteen years of experience teaching children and teachers as a physical education specialist in the Burnaby school district.