

President's Letter

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As we look ahead to summer and prepare for the fall, I would like to encourage you to look at our mission and vision statements and then consider how you might participate at the leading edge of performing arts physical therapy. Leadership contact for areas of interest are listed at the end of this section.

Mission Statement

The mission of the Performing Arts Special Interest Group (PASIG) is to be the leading physical therapy resource to the performing arts community.

Vision Statement

Advancing knowledge and optimizing movement and health of the performing arts community through orthopaedic physical therapist practice through the following guiding principles:

- Identity
- Quality
- Collaboration

Your Contribution

Would you consider submitting a literature review, critically-appraised topic, case report, or pilot study to the *OPTP*? This is a way to help others with evidence-informed practice. Please contact me if you are interested. Student submissions are welcome!

Perhaps you could help with updating the performing arts resource pages? The updates are in process and we could use more help. Contact Marissa Schaeffer if interested, <https://www.orthopt.org/content/special-interest-groups/performing-arts/resources>

Do you have an annotated bibliography or list of current literature on a research topic to contribute? Contact Sarah Edery-Altas for instructions on how to do this for the monthly citation blasts.

Are you interested in presenting a performing arts platform or poster at CSM 2020? Go for it!

The submission deadline is July 12, 2019. For more information, visit <http://www.apta.org/CSM/Submissions/>

If you are a student and your platform or poster gets accepted, let Anna Saunders know and you can apply for the PASIG student scholarship.

A Look to the Future

Summer is a great time to write, rest, and plan for the next year, then the next 3, 5, and 10 years. Please feel free to contact me or any of our leaders with your ideas or to just say hello and introduce yourself. The PASIG leadership will have a conference call this summer to update our goals in regards to the strategic plan and to prepare for CSM. Therefore, this is an optimum time for you to weigh in on your interests with the respective leaders.

Students interested in mentorship please keep an eye out for an updated application in the fall via the Academy of Orthopaedic Physical Therapy. If you are interested, contact Megan Poll: meganpoll@gmail.com

Clinicians with board-certification or residency education, if you are looking for performing arts fellowship education, we now have four! We congratulate the following performing arts fellowship programs:

- The Ohio State University Sports Medicine Performing Arts Fellowship
- The Johns Hopkins Hospital Performing Arts Fellowship
- Harkness Center for Dance Injuries Performing Arts Fellowship
- Columbia University Irving Medical Center & West Side Dance Performing Arts Fellowship

If you are interested in developing a performing arts fellowship, the Description of Fellowship Practice is available online, and you should contact Laurel Abbruzzese.

http://www.abptrfe.org/uploadedFiles/ABPTRFEorg/For_Programs/DFPs/ABPTRFE_PerformingArtsFellowshipDFP.pdf#search=%22Performing%20Arts%22

For clinicians and academicians who are screening pre-professional dancers, collegiate dancers, and adolescent dancers, please contact Mandy Blackmon to connect with other folks doing the same.

For those interested in the issues, policies, and other items that influence how we practice performing arts physical therapy, contact Andrea Lasner.

Finance Update

As of March 31, 2019, our non-rolling fund is \$2,072.11 and our 2018 encumbered fund is \$1,578.40.

Please take a few minutes to join our PASIG membership, free to all AOPT members. Frequently asked is if you can join anytime. Yes, you can, for both the AOPT and the PASIG.

<https://www.orthopt.org/content/special-interest-groups/performing-arts/become-a-pasig-member>

Then, go to our Facebook page and request to become a member.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/PT4PERFORMERS/>

Thank you for joining us in the journey!