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THE CENTER FOR  
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**DANCE**

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## The Center Partners with Hope Community Center to Launch Arts Education Project

THE CENTER FOR CONTEMPORARY DANCE's long-standing partnership with Hope Community Center, a multi-dimensional resource center for children of migrant workers and low-income families, has evolved into a formal arts enrichment program, *The SEE(k)ING Project*, which blends creative writing and dance to teach student participants skills in critical thinking, artistic expression and collaboration. A four-month program with lesson plans customized to the social needs of its constituents, *The SEE(k)ING Project* is led by THE CENTER's arts-education professionals and will be brought to child welfare organizations and schools throughout the local community. Each four-month program concludes with a student-created dance performance, also entitled *SEE(k)ING*. The first *SEE(k)ING* showcase, featuring the children of Hope Community Center, will be performed at The Wayne Densch Performing Arts Center, located at 203 S. Magnolia Avenue in Sanford, FL on Sunday, August 24<sup>th</sup> 2pm. All tickets are \$17 and proceeds benefit *The SEE(k)ING Project*. Free to public school children accompanied by an adult. Tickets can be purchased online at [TheCenterForDance.org](http://TheCenterForDance.org), by calling (407) 695-8366 or by visiting THE CENTER FOR CONTEMPORARY DANCE, located at 3580 Aloma Avenue #7, Winter Park, FL 32792.

THE CENTER FOR CONTEMPORARY DANCE  
and Hope Community Center present

### *SEE(k)ING*

Sunday, August 24, 2008 at 2pm

The Wayne Densch Performing Arts Center  
203 S. Magnolia Avenue  
Sanford, FL 32771

General Admission: \$17

**FREE to public school children ages 17 and under when accompanied by an adult.**

To purchase tickets:

[TheCenterForDance.org](http://TheCenterForDance.org)  
(407) 695-8366

Or visit the Box Office:

THE CENTER FOR CONTEMPORARY DANCE  
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\*All ticket proceeds benefit THE CENTER FOR CONTEMPORARY DANCE's *SEE(k)ING Project*.

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Made possible by private funding and a grant from United Arts of Central Florida, "*The SEE(k)ING Project* ultimately produces happier, healthier children who understand themselves and their world more deeply," says Janice S. Rous, program director for *The SEE(k)ING Project*. "Over the course of the program, children and young adults discover—in many cases, for the first time—that they have something unique and creative to offer," says Rous. Dance works presented in the *SEE(k)ING* showcase are choreographed collaboratively among participants and THE CENTER's dance professionals, inspired by students' journal writings, personal stories and cultural heritage. "The kind of validation this project gives to its participants, including those from Hope Community Center, is something every child deserves," says Rous, "The process of seeking and seeing is what creates a hopeful future for us all." To learn more about Hope Community Center, please visit [offm.org](http://offm.org).

### About THE CENTER FOR CONTEMPORARY DANCE:

Founded in 2001, THE CENTER FOR CONTEMPORARY DANCE, INC. is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit arts organization dedicated to fostering the traditions of contemporary dance through public performances, dance education, community outreach and creative collaborations. Home to six professional dance companies, including two founding companies and four resident dance companies, THE CENTER is the recipient of numerous awards and a recognized leader in arts education and contemporary dance performance. In addition to producing professional stage productions, community programs by THE CENTER have reached women's shelters, the homeless, child welfare organizations, the culturally disadvantaged, the disabled and our public schools.

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