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ROCK HILL, S.C. — A dance piece by Winthrop University Instructor of Dance Meg Schriffen was recently chosen for the competitive Southeast American College Dance Festival, the first time in nearly a decade that a Winthrop faculty member's work was selected for a performance there.

Twenty-two dance majors from Winthrop represented the university at the festival, which was held in Tampa, Fla., earlier this month. The students had the opportunity to take daily classes related to dance, attend concerts and perform at the event.

More than 40 dances were submitted and adjudicated by a professional panel of dance experts, including Robert Moses, Debra Cash and Sarah Hook. Schriffen's piece, entitled “Stirrings of Consciousness,” was one of the 12 selected to be performed at the prestigious event, the Final Gala Concert. The Winthrop students who performed the piece are:

• Samantha Patterson
• Kristin Ward
• Mason Diaz
• Brittany Johnson
• Mackenzie Elder
• Nikesha Nelson
• Shelby Mosher
• Allie Nunweiler
• Dani White

In addition, dance education major Krysten Funderburk had a piece selected for a performance while dance major Ashlea Sovetts had a piece in the informal concert.

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