

34th Biennial Conference of ICKL
SCORING GAPS: NOTATING PASTS AND FUTURES

in North America, United States, State of Ohio

Sunday, July 13 Arrival– Saturday, July 19, 2025 Departure

The Ohio State University Kenyon College

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Columbus, Ohio



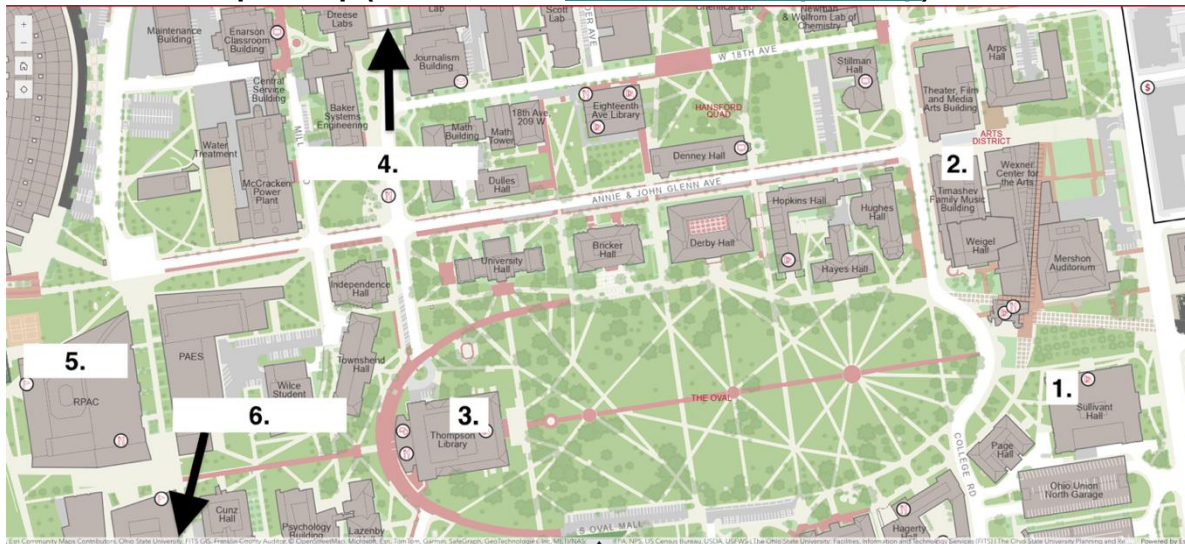
Columbus is the capital and most populous city of the state of Ohio. The city was founded in 1812 and named for Italian explorer Christopher Columbus. With a current total population of over 2 million, Columbus has risen to become the 14th most populous city in the United States. It has a strong and diverse economy based on education, insurance, banking, fashion, defense, aviation, food, logistics, steel, energy, medical research, health care, hospitality, retail, and technology. Columbus is home to one of the nation's most competitive intercollegiate programs, the Ohio State Buckeyes of The Ohio State University. "Buckeye fever" permeates Columbus culture year-round and forms a major part of the city's cultural identity. Performing arts institutions including the Columbus Symphony Orchestra, Opera Columbus, BalletMet Columbus, and more also reside in the city.

The Ohio State University



The Ohio State University is a public land-grant research university founded in 1870. It is one of the largest universities by enrollment in the United States, with nearly 50,000 undergraduate students and 15,000 graduate students. The University consists of 16 colleges and offers over 400 degree programs at the undergraduate and graduate levels. Past and present alumni and faculty include 6 Nobel Prize laureates, 7 Pulitzer Prize winners, 7 U.S. senators, 15 U.S. representatives, 104 Olympic medalists, and 1 foreign head of state.

Ohio State Campus Map (Click to view [Interactive Campus Map](#))



1. Sullivant Hall (Department of Dance, Dance Notation Bureau Extension Center, Billy Ireland Cartoon Museum and Library, Schultz Lecture Hall)
2. Timashev Family Building (Department of Theatre, Film, and Media Arts)
3. Thompson Library (Lawrence and Lee Theatre Research Institute)
4. To Blackwell Inn
5. Recreation and Physical Activity Center (RPAC)
6. To Hyatt House

Ohio State Department of Dance

“Come as you are. Leave as you want to be.”



Ohio State’s Department of Dance leads the field of university dance departments through cutting edge-curriculum that features rigorous physical and scholarly inquiry. The department is at the forefront of contemporary modern dance through choreographic and performance exploration, creative use of technologies and reimagining the documentation of dance traditions. Students benefit from institutional relationships with Dance/USA, BalletMet Columbus, Ohio Dance, growing exchange programs with universities and centers in Europe, Asia, Central and South America, and Africa, and the Dance Notation Bureau Extension housed in the department.

Dance Notation Bureau Extension Center



The Dance Notation Bureau Extension for Education and Research, founded in 1968 by Lucy Venable, promotes the practical application of Labanotation and Laban based theories, implements research, develops curriculum, and expands dance notation literature and archival materials. Documentation and preservation efforts, along with performances of works restages from score, form the core of our work. The DNB Extension focuses on creative activity and research related to the theories of Rudolf von Laban in the training of dancers and dance researchers. The Extension has a unique and formal agreement with the Dance Notation Bureau in New York City, the only one of its kind in the country.

Lawrence and Lee Theatre Research Institute
Thompson Library Special Collections, University Libraries



“Theatre is the universal means of expression. It embraces all of the arts through which human minds seek to reach one another.” - Jerome Lawrence and Robert E. Lee, November 1986

The Lawrence and Lee Theatre Research Institute (TRI) at the Ohio State University Libraries supports researchers, students, and life-long learners in journeys of discovery that lead to new knowledge, scholarship, and creative works through exploration and deep engagement with extraordinary performing arts resources. Holdings include costume, scene, lighting designs; technical theatre documentation; costumes; models of stage sets; photographs; posters; artwork; dance notation; video and sound recordings and more. The Theatre Research Institute is the home of the Dance Notation Bureau Collection, a major collection on the history of Labanotation/Kinetography Laban. Personal papers on Labanotation, Kinetography Laban, and Laban Movement Analysis include the Billie Mahoney Papers, The Lucy Venable Papers, Vera Maletic Papers, John Griffin Papers, the Judy Van Zile Papers, and the Toni’ Intravaia Papers. TRI’s holdings also include Marcel Marceau’s American papers and papers of Twyla Tharp and Bebe Miller.

Kenyon College



Kenyon College is a private liberal arts college in Gambier, Ohio, United States, about 80 minutes from Columbus. It was founded in 1824 by Episcopal Bishop Philander Chase. Kenyon is the oldest private institution of higher education in the state of Ohio and enrolls approximately 1,800 undergraduate students. Students choose from over 50 majors, minors, and concentrations, including self-designed majors. The college is located on a hill overlooking the Kokosing River and neighbors Mount Vernon, Ohio. Its 1,000-acre (400 ha) campus is set in rural surroundings that host seven ecosystems.

Kenyon College Dance

In the Kenyon College Department of Dance, Drama and Film, students can major or minor in dance. Kenyon College Kenyon's theatrical tradition has produced performers and writers who learned their craft on the stages of the Bolton and Hill theaters, on the floor of the Shaffer Dance Studio, and in the state-of-the-art Wright Center film studio. Dance, drama, and film students learn the historical roots of performance through a challenging and rewarding course of study. This firm grounding has launched several generations of students into successful careers, with stars of stage and screen, founders of dance companies, and Academy Award- and Pulitzer Prize-winning actors and playwrights counted among the ranks of the program's alumni.

Keynote Speaker Bebe Miller

Bebe Miller is a choreographer and dancer as well as graduate of the master's Program at The Ohio State University Department of Dance. Her interest explores finding a physical language for the human condition and is a connecting thread throughout her work. She formed Bebe Miller Company in 1985 and has performed worldwide, creating works for Boston Ballet, Dayton Contemporary Dance Company, Oregon Ballet Theatre, and Philadanco. A four-time Bessie winner, she has received fellowships from the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation, Ohio Arts Council, New York Foundation for the Arts and National Endowment for the Arts. She currently serves as a board member for Dance USA,

Dance Theater Workshop and Danspace Project, and is a member of the International Artists Advisory Board of the Wexner Center for the Arts.



<https://library.osu.edu/collections/spec.tri.bbm/summary-information>

Special Performance: Thoissane Dance Company

Thoissane was formed with the express purpose of bringing authentic West African cultural representation to a variety of local, national, and international communities. Thoissane introduces the richness of West African culture through dance and music to create a space of learning and growth in traditional African culture. The institute is dedicated to serving communities that are often overlooked and lack exposure, particularly focusing on the youth with a commitment to showcase and safeguard traditional dance, music, and cultural practices. The curriculum introduces cultural awareness, the kinesthetic understanding of music, and the expression power of dance.



HOUSING

Blackwell Inn: \$167/night + taxes & fees

When contacting the Blackwell, please state that you are part of the ICKL Conference to get the group rate

<https://www.theblackwell.com/>

2110 Tuttle Park Pl, Columbus, OH 43210

10-minute walk to Thompson Library

On-site restaurant



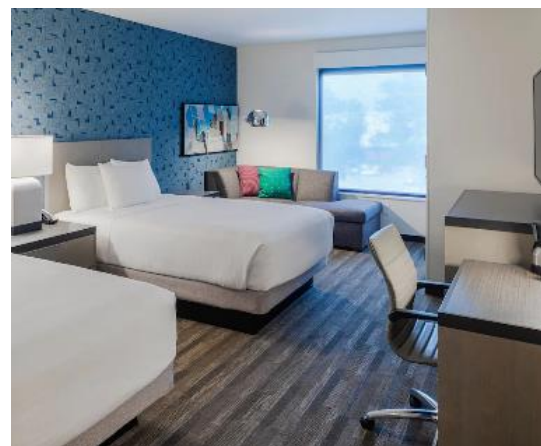
Hyatt House by Battelle: \$149/night + taxes & fees

<https://www.hyatt.com/>

633 W. 5th Ave

30-minute walk to Thompson Library

Breakfast Included



Spring Hill Suites: \$139/night + taxes and fees

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<https://shorturl.at/VGUat>

1421 Olentangy River Rd, Columbus OH, 43210

30-minute walk to Thompson Library

Breakfast Included



The Urban

****Cannot reserve rooms until **January 15, 2025******

<https://www.theurbanohio.com/>



20 West Norwich Ave, Columbus Ohio, 43201

16-minute walk to Thompson Library

For information about other hotels in the area please visit:

<https://www.uhdcolumbus.com/map>

For information about dining options in Columbus please visit:

<https://www.uhdcolumbus.com/shop-dine>

Airport Transfer

The John Glenn International Airport (CMH) is a small airport, about 15-20 minutes by car or taxi from The Ohio State University.

<https://u.osu.edu/csss/getting-around/getting-to-from-airport/>



Taxis: available on the ground transportation level; call the airport's Taxi Management team at 614-239-TAXI (8294) with questions

COTA Bus: Central Ohio Transit Authority (COTA) is a regional public transport provider for greater Columbus and Central Ohio. Transit between John Glenn to The Ohio State University on average takes 1 hour with 1 transfer for \$2.00. For more information or to view more options, please visit:

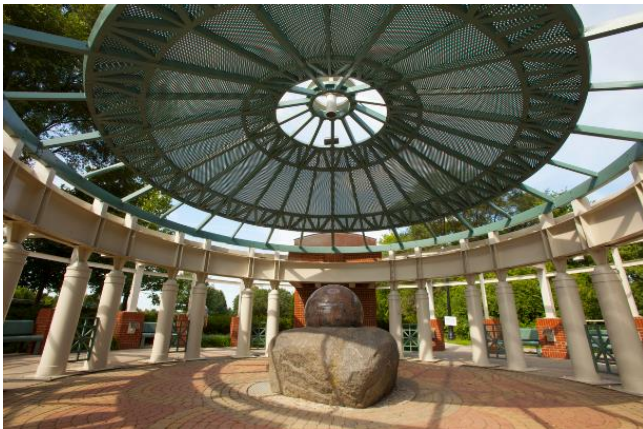
<https://ride.cota.com/>

Ohio State University Campus Fun: If you find you need a break or want to catch up with a colleague for a few minutes after lunch or in the evening, consider one of the following activities:

1. Visit the Dinosaur in Orton Hall



2. Walk the Labyrinth in Chadwick Arboretum



3. Visit the Greenhouse on top of Bio-Science Building



4. Visit the terrarium on top of the Architecture Building



5. Visit the Planetarium in Smith Laboratory



6. Take a stroll around Mirror Lake



7. Visit Waterman Park further afield

