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***Creative Colleges* Guides Student Actors, Artists, Dancers, Musicians and Writers
New Edition of Book Profiles Top 200 Programs for Creative Students**

- WHAT:** The second edition of *Creative Colleges: A Guide for Student Actors, Artists, Dancers, Musicians and Writers* is aimed at college-bound creative students and gives them the information and resources necessary to pick the right program. To this end the author meticulously researched programs from across the country and ultimately selected 200 art, drama, dance, music and creative writing programs in arts conservatories, liberal arts colleges and universities to recommend to potential students.
- WHO:** The author, Elaina Loveland, originally aspired to become a professional dancer but followed her interest in writing instead; she has been a professional writer and editor for nearly a decade. She is a former editor of the National Association for College Admission Counseling's *Journal of College Admission* and holds a master's degree in English. Loveland has taught both college-level English and dance to children in the Washington, D.C. area. She is also the author of *Creative Careers: Paths for Aspiring Actors, Artists, Dancers, Musicians and Writers*. She lives in Arlington, Virginia.
- WHY:** Unlike the average student, many creative types have been pursuing their dreams by the time they reach their late teens—and therefore, the college search is usually much more specific. *Creative Colleges: A Guide for Student Actors, Artists, Dancers, Musicians and Writers* helps creative college-bound students learn step-by-step how to get into college including auditions, admission essays or artistic statements, artistic resumes and portfolios, the SAT and ACT and financial aid. So students can see examples of success pursuing creative majors, the book includes real-life profiles of students in each discipline, day-in-the-life snapshots and answers to frequently asked questions from admissions directors, and tips on auditioning and preparing portfolios from real students and faculty are included along with samples of artist statements, admission essays and artistic resumes. For more information about *Creative Colleges*, visit www.elainaloveland.com.

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