

## **Barbara Hayley**

*Professor of Dance*

Barbara Hayley is Professor of Dance in the Department of Theatre and Dance at Tulane University in New Orleans, Louisiana. Ms. Hayley holds an MFA degree from NYU Tisch School of the Arts and worked in NYC for 10 years before joining the Tulane Faculty. In New York, Ms. Hayley taught dance at Wagner College on Staten Island, danced with numerous choreographers, and directed *Barbara Hayley & Dancers*. She has been a member of the Newcomb Dance Program faculty since 1985, Coordinator of Dance from 1989 to 2006, and Chairperson of the Dept. of Theatre and Dance from 2001 to 2007. She teaches modern dance, ballet, choreography, dance history, and interdisciplinary courses in theatre and dance. Her creative endeavors include concert choreography, non-traditional community-based work and site-specific projects. Scholarly research relates to modern dance heritage, including "Oral History of Six Nikolais Dancers: Alwin Nikolais' Playhouse Dance Company, 1948-1960" and investigation of distinctive choreographers and choreography affiliated with the German lineage of modern dance. Ms. Hayley received a Fulbright Senior Scholar Award in 1997/1998 for teaching and choreography throughout Russia, the impetus for continued creative work/exchanges with Russian dance artists and schools. She is active in community partnership building and modern dance in New Orleans, including the direction of *New Orleans Dance*, founded in 1987, a project-based modern dance company comprised of local professional dance artists. Ms. Hayley received the Mayor's Arts Award in 1999 and various awards, with *New Orleans Dance*, for original choreography and modern dance production.

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