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I have been teaching jazz dance in France for almost forty years (After having danced in the States) and I currently teach jazz dance pedagogy to dancers who wish to obtain the French "Diplome d'Etat" (A nationally authorized teaching diploma required by French law). I also serve (as well as preside) juries for the final exam of this same diploma. I am president of the "Collectif pour la Danse Jazz", a non profit organization who's goal is to promote the quality and recognition of jazz dance. This book responds to a necessity felt by jazz dancers of all generations all over the world. The questions and thoughts that Bob Boross raises are vital and fundamental for a better understanding of the situation of this art form today. Every dancer, teacher or choreographer who expresses themselves through jazz should definitely read it! I would even say, EVERY dancer should read it. Jazz dance is an art form that has been ignored, misunderstood, too often reduced to a stereotype. If we could all share our experiences and perspectives, it wouldcertainly help us to

move forward! highly recommend it.

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