DANCE 341

To begin to find information on any topic, you must create a good search strategy.

It is not too hard! Write you topic down in the form of a question or statement. Your research will attempt to answer that question, or prove that statement.

I might do this one:

How has Savion Glover revolutionized the art of tap dance in America?

Now, it is time to locate the key words in my question or statement.

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Are there any synonyms for any of the words? You remember that a synonym is a word that means the same thing as the word you have used. For instance, one easy one is America. It could also be United States.

Once you have captured the key words and found any synonyms, you need to link these terms using nesting principles and Boolean operators.

“savion glover” AND “tap danc*” AND (“united states” OR america)

This is your search strategy to use in every search box as you begin to capture information on your topic.

(Note: You may have to delete some of the terms if you are not getting any hits.)

Here is what I found doing a SteenFind search from the Steen library home page (library.sfasu.edu).
There are two columns: Books & More and Articles & More.

Now, there are other places to search. Go back to the Steen Library home page, and click on RESEARCH at the top of the screen. At the screen, RESEARCH GUIDES, scroll down and go to the Dance Research Guide. Click on Articles & More to find good databases to use when the subject is DANCE!

Look for the section: For DANCE 341 and use the two databases there—just type in your dancer’s name!

Biography in Context

Wikipedia

Then go up and try Google Scholar!

Cite Your Sources

None of us like it, but we all have to do it! I use a free resource to help me.

KnightCite

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