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Sherry Zunker is the Founding Director of Aylet Creative a newly formed entertainment division of Aylet Incorporated. Sherry has developed a creative entourage that consults and facilitates new artistic and entertainment products. Her creative team is also an entertainment resource, which nurtures and connects talent to the professional world. Ms Zunker is perhaps best known for her work as Co-Artistic Director of River North Chicago Dance Company. Sherry joined River North Chicago as artistic director in 1990. She choreographed numerous works for the company, one of them being the signature piece "Reality of a Dreamer" which also became the finale piece for the award winning televised documentary of the same name. Sherry also commissioned the work of many choreographers to compile the Company's diverse, engaging repertoire. Ms. Zunker has set her works on several companies including The Joffrey Ballet of Chicago and Gus Giordano Jazz Dance Chicago.

Her choreography and direction outside of the concert dance realm encompasses musical productions, commercials, music videos, and live industrial shows. During the last decade Ms. Zunker has conceptualized, choreographed or directed over 30 production shows for Royal Caribbean Cruise Line.

In 2000 Ms. Zunker received a Ruth Page Dance Achievement Award for Mission, co-created with Frank Chaves in honor of River North's 10th anniversary. Ms. Zunker stepped down as Co-Artistic Director of River North Chicago Dance Company in May 2001 to pursue other creative avenues. She currently holds the title of Co-Artistic Director Emerita.

Before taking on the roles of director and choreographer, Ms. Zunker had a diverse performance career. Sherry danced with Chicago Repertory Dance Ensemble, was a principal dancer with Gus Giordano Jazz Dance Chicago, performed as a soloist in Bob Fosse's 'Dancin', and also danced under Tony Award-winning choreographer Ann Reinking in the Goodman Theater's production of Pal Joey. Ms. Zunker has also danced in several musical stage productions, commercials and films including "The Blues Brothers" and "A League of Their Own".