



# Beyond the Barre

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## Director's Corner

**Happy New Year!!** I hope everyone has had a wonderful holiday and a blessed New Year. The New Year always brings with it a very exciting and busy time for teachers and students as music and costume selections are being made, measurements for costumes are being taken, and dance routines are being choreographed and learned. The annual year-end production is a celebration of everyone's hard work, dedication and learning. I'm sure you can imagine the time and effort that goes into putting on a production of this magnitude. It requires every participant to do his or her part to make this an enjoyable and rewarding experience. **Remember, student's consistent punctuality, attendance and focus are extremely important from now until the show date.** With all of us doing our parts, this year's performance promises to be a major success!!

This year's show, *"The Princess and the Frog"*, will be held on Saturday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> at Charles H. Flowers High School in Springdale, MD. See you there!!

*Sandra*

### Dance & BodyWorks New York Overnight Excursion March 3-4, 2012

We're on the move again!! This year's New York Overnight Excursion will include, shopping in Manhattan, NY, dance classes at Alvin Ailey, visiting a New York tourist attraction, having lunch at Planet Hollywood, seeing the Broadway show "Memphis" and more. All are welcome, but this trip is most suitable for ages 10 and up. Children under 12 years of age must be chaperoned. **To reserve your space, a per-person \$75.00 non-refundable deposit must be made on or before Saturday, December 17, 2011.** If you missed this deadline, but still want to go on the NY trip, see the Director immediately to see if any spaces are left. The bus will be filled on a first come first serve basis.

### Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater Performance

Join us at the Kennedy Center to see America's cultural ambassador to the world, Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater, as they return for their annual engagement with electrifying new works and a compilation of classics, including the iconic *Revelations* on every program. Performances will be held from February 7 – February 12, 2012. Ticket prices range from \$30-\$99. Dance & Bodyworks will be attending the performance on Sunday, February 12, 2012 at 1:30 pm. We hope to see you there!

### Performance Group Contemporary Jazz Class in New York

On Sunday, November 20, 2011, the Dance & BodyWorks Performance groups took a bus trip to Broadway Dance Center in New York City, NY. Broadway Dance Center has more than 26 years in business, and offers unsurpassed dance instruction with over 200 different classes weekly in their 23,000 square foot state-of-the art facility. They have established an unparalleled reputation worldwide. They offer classes to absolute beginners as well as established professionals. Our performance group took a Contemporary Jazz class and had a chance to buy some dance wear from Broadway Dance Center's boutique. Some of the chaperones took advantage of their time in New York by doing a little shopping too...This trip was a wonderful experience for everyone!

### Inclement Weather Notice

In the event of inclement weather, classes typically will not be held if PG County schools are closed for the day, released early or afternoon activities are cancelled. On Saturdays, or anytime that weather is questionable, call the dance studio at (301) 877-2245 and a recording will be updated if classes are cancelled.



- ◆ Jan. 3—Classes Resume
- ◆ Jan. 16—STUDIO CLOSED—MLK Holiday

# Calendar