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Director's Corner

The dance season is well under way and it is shaping up beautifully. I am very impressed by the progress students both new and returning have already made in this short time. Of course students that come regularly, on time and dressed in uniform show the most improvement. I realize that the parents and caregivers of these wonderful students play a huge part in their continued improvement. Thank you. . . and keep up the good work!

Have a wonderful holiday season!!

Sandra

DANCE & BODYWORKS' THE CHOCOLATE NUTCRACKER

This holiday season, we are excited to present to you "Dance & BodyWorks' The Chocolate Nutcracker". The production is very informal and is meant to give family and friends an opportunity to see what your dancers have accomplished over the last few months. The students will get the experience of performing on a stage in front of an audience as well as an opportunity to give their very special gift of dance to you.

The production is on Sunday, December 20, 2009 at 3:00 pm at Charles Flowers High School, 10001 Ardwick-Ardmore Road, Springdale, MD. Tickets are \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children 12 and under. They may be purchased at Dance & BodyWorks.



13TH ANNUAL NEW YORK OVERNIGHT EXCURSION

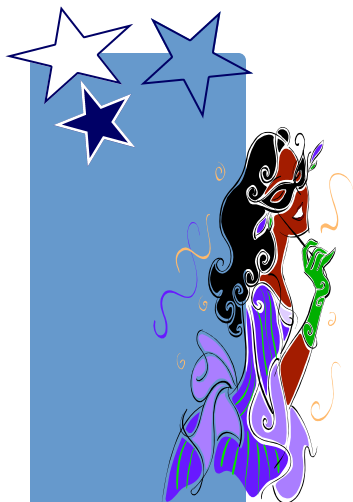


Mark your calendars. This year's New York Overnight Excursion will take place from Saturday, March 6 through Sunday, March 7, 2010. This is our annual overnight trip to New York where we take in the sights, do a little shopping, see a Broadway show and of course take classes at famed New York dance studios. Planning for the trip is underway. Specifics include taking private classes at Alvin Ailey, seeing the Broadway musical "Chicago" and visiting one of New York's many tourist attractions. 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 12, 2009. This is our 13th annual trip and we always have a good time, so come and join us. Specific information about costs and deposits will be available at the front desk

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YEAR-END PRODUCTION COSTUME FEES

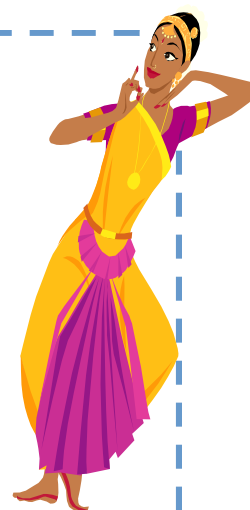
Our plan is to order costumes in February this year to ensure that students receive their costumes in plenty of time. This also allows for pictures to be taken and received before the studio is closed for the summer. It is very important that you meet the deadline dates for costume payments. Some of the vendors we are using this year may not be able to fill late orders to meet our production date. If ordered late, there is no guarantee that your costume will be back in time for the show. Please note that if payment is made after the balance due date, we will still make an effort to order your costume, but remember there are no guarantees. **An additional \$5.00 per costume will be added for past due payments.**

- ◆ 50% deposit due October 10, 2009
- ◆ Balance due December 5, 2009

22ND ANNUAL IABD CONFERENCE

The INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BLACKS IN DANCE (IABD) has become the Mecca for Blacks in Dance such as artists, dance companies, directors, choreographers, those interested in black dance issues, performance showcases, and artistry. The Association, founded in 1988, provides a network, formal newsletters, choreographers directory, published papers and is the raison d'être for the annual conference. The Association also responds to and initiates dialogue around issues that impact the Black Dance Community as well as the community at large.

Philidanco will host this years International Association of Blacks in Dance 22nd Annual Conference & Festival "Back to Basics" on January 13-17, 2010 in Philadelphia, PA. For more information visit <http://www.howard.edu/collegetinearts/iabdassociation/Home.html>



Nov

25-29 *STUDIO CLOSED for Thanksgiving Holiday*

Dec

5 2nd Recital Costume Payment

20 D&BW's Chocolate Nutcracker

20-3 *STUDIO CLOSED for Winter Break*

