



# Beyond the Barre



**HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**

## Director's Corner

**T**he dance season is well under way and it is shaping up beautifully. I am impressed by the progress students both new and returning have already made in this short time. Of course students that come regularly 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 Happy Thanksgiving!!

*Sandra*



## Thanks to You!!!

**A** big thank you goes out to everyone that participated in the African American greeting cards and gifts fundraiser. We raised over \$2000.00 (WOW!). The money will be used towards Dance & BodyWorks general operating expenses in an effort to keep overall costs low. Thanks again for your support. We couldn't do it without you!

## D&BW Holiday Showcase

**D**&BW Holiday Showcase originally scheduled for December 20, 2008 has been rescheduled. All students will be showcased in our Black History Month program in February. More information on place and time is forthcoming.



## Order your D&BW Sweat Suit and Dance Bag Now!

**W**e offer the Dance & BodyWorks personalized sweat suits and bags twice a year to our Dance & BodyWorks family, once in the fall and again in the spring. Our fall sale is now underway. Pick up a detailed order form from the front desk if you are interested in purchasing the Dance & BodyWorks merchandise. *All orders and associated payments are due by December 13, 2008.*

Website/Email:

[www.danceandbodyworks.org](http://www.danceandbodyworks.org)

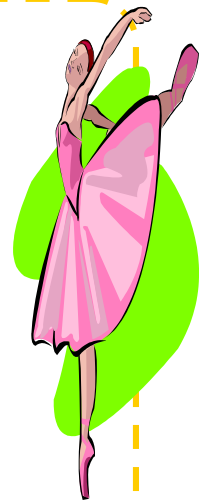
[dancer@danceandbodyworks.org](mailto:dancer@danceandbodyworks.org)

## Year-End Production Costume Fees

**O**ur plan is to order costumes in January 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 11, 2008
- \* Balance due December 6, 2008



## 11<sup>th</sup> Annual New York Overnight Excursion

**Mark your calendars.** This year's New York Overnight Excursion will take place from **Saturday, February 28 through Sunday, March 1, 2009.** 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 or Steps on Broadway, seeing the Broadway musical "Billy Elliot" and visiting one of New York's many tourist attractions. Children under the age of 12 will require a chaperone. This year, the Alvin Ailey Dance Theatre has informed us

that dance workshop participants must be at least 10 years of age. Please keep this in mind when preparing for the trip. This is our 11<sup>th</sup> 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.

**NOV.**  
26-29  
**DEC.**  
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**STUDIO CLOSED for Thanksgiving Holiday**

**Performance Group Tryouts**

**20**

**Last Day of Class – X-mas Celebration at D&BW**

**21-2**

**STUDIO CLOSED for Winter Break**

