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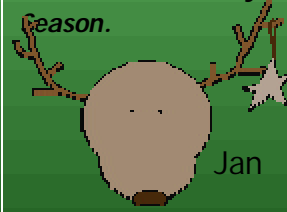
7th - **STUDIO CLOSED.**

7th - 8th - New York Overnight Excursion ages 10-adult.

14th - Recital costume balance due.

21st - Kwanzaa Celebration.

22nd - Jan. 3rd - **STUDIO CLOSED for Holiday Season.**



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4th - Classes resume.

16th - 19th The 2003 International Association for Blacks in Dance Conference, Washington, DC.

Director's Corner

The holiday season is fast approaching and we hope you enjoy your holiday break to the fullest, but don't stop dancing and practicing your technique. We need you to be in top form when you return. In January we will begin class rehearsals and choreography for our June 8, 2002 year-end performance of **"The Wiz - Dance & BodyWorks Style"**. Pulling together this year's show will be exciting and a lot of fun but it will also involve hard work. Your commitment to attending class regularly and your dedication to working to your fullest potential will guarantee that we put on a successful show with confident

We wish you and yours a joyous Holiday Season!!

Thanks to You...

A big thank you goes out to everyone that participated in the African-American Greeting cards and gifts fundraiser. We raised \$900.00. The money will be used toward Dance & BodyWork's general operating expenses and scholarship fund. Dance & BodyWorks is a non-profit arts organization. Money from fundraisers, grants and donations helps us maintain a quality dance program and supports

The Chocolate Nutcraker

This year's Chocolate Nutcracker performance will be held at the Lincoln Theatre in Washington, DC from December 18th -21st. This production is a holiday treat for the entire family. The adapted version of the original ballet includes the African American experience complete with visits to Egypt, Brazil, Africa, Jazz Land, Rhythm Land and more. Several students from Dance & BodyWorks were cast for this production. For the past two months they have endured a demanding rehearsal schedule to make sure all of their pieces are polished and performance ready. We are very, very proud of their hard work, accomplishments and dedication to their craft. We encourage the Dance & BodyWorks family to come out and support our





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The 2002 D&BW Annual Kwanzaa Celebration

The 2002 D&BW Annual Kwanzaa Celebration, an African family, community, and cultural holiday celebration, presented by the D&BW Executive Board, will be held Saturday, December 21, from 9am - 4:30pm at the D&BW Studio, 7924 Old Branch Avenue, Clinton, MD 20735. Free to all D&BW students and \$5 for all parents, visitors, and friends; includes all dance and art classes, and special afternoon buffet eats. The Kwanzaa Celebration Day will take the place of normal class participation. Students are expected to attend at their normal class times. Parents, visitors, and friends are invited to attend.

This Kwanzaa season, D&BW focuses on the celebration of dance and other African arts in connection with the African-American communities of Washington, DC and the surrounding areas. D&BW students, parents, and visitors can celebrate the Kwanzaa principles with D&BW through the following activities:

- African story telling
- African heritage arts and crafts sessions
- African authentic dance classes geared to the general public and all ages
- African-American entrepreneurs showcasing authentic merchandise

The Kwanzaa celebration is funded by the D&BW Executive Board and D&BW Special Friends. For

Become a Special Friend of D&BW Support the D&BW 2002 Annual Kwanzaa Celebration

In celebration of our 5th Anniversary, the Dance & BodyWorks Executive Board has created the Special Friends of D&BW. The D&BW Special Friends group promotes a partnership that brings a new spirit to dance and arts education through our 2002 Annual D&BW Kwanzaa Celebration. Upon contributions of \$25 or more, D&BW Special Friends receive admittance to the Kwanzaa Celebration and recognition during the program. Contributions of \$100 are recognized also with a special gift from the D&BW Executive Board. Please contact Andrea L Young, Marketing Director for a D&BW Special Friends Contribution Form.

