

Beyond the Barre

Jan/Feb



Black History Month

16th Performance
Groups Community
Outreach Performance
at Bradford Oaks
Nursing & Rehab

Director's Corner

I hope everyone has had a chance to settle back into their dance class routines and is ready to begin dance preparations for our annual year-end performance, "The Wiz-Dance & BodyWorks Style." This year's show will be on June 8th at Howard University's Cramton Auditorium. This is a very exciting time for us as costumes and music selections are being made, measurements for costumes are being taken, and dance routines are being choreographed. A lot of hard work goes into a production of this magnitude and every participant must do his or her part to make it successful. Student's punctuality, attendance and focus are extremely important at this point. Lets all do our part to make our **5th Anniversary Year-End Performance**

Sandra

Costume Payments Due

We are in the process of ordering costumes for the year-end performance. Final costume payment for Saturday classes was due before the Christmas break. All outstanding balances are due now. If you are unsure of your payment status, updated information can be obtained at the front desk. **Please note, costumes will not be ordered for students that a have not made their costume payments.**

Total costume fees for core program/**Saturday classes only:**

4 year old class	\$75.00
5-6 year old class	\$125.00
7-9 year old class	\$125.00
10-12 year old class	\$150.00
13-17 year old class	\$175.00

Students enrolled in Hip-Hop, Boys Tap and Adult classes will be given separate costume and payment information. The information will be distributed in early February.

Happy Valentines Day!! . . . always remember to **Dance** from your **Heart!**

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Harambee!

Thank you to all who attended and supported the Kwanzaa Celebration. It was a joy sharing the spirit of the holidays with you. We had a lot of fun, lots of goodies, and a surprise visit from WKYS's Taylor Thomas!! Thank you for being so special.

On Wednesday, January 22, 2003, members of the Dance & BodyWorks' Repertory Ensemble performed in Umoja Karamu (Unity Feast), a celebration of African history and culture. This event took place on the campus of Howard University and was

2003 AIBD Conference

The 15th Annual International Association of Black's in Dance conference was held in Washington DC from January 16th through the 19th. I hope you and your families were able to take part in the festivities. There was something for everyone to experience including showcase performances, master classes in a variety of styles for youth and adults, symposiums, luncheons and more.

Members of the Dance & BodyWorks Repertory Ensemble performed in the conference's youth showcase on January 16th at Duke Ellington School of the Arts. They performed a lyrical piece to "His Eye Is On the Sparrow". They represented themselves beautifully. Samantha Pellam, a Dance & BodyWorks instructor, performed in a piece choreographed by Ron Brown in the January 17th showcase. Congratulations on

D&BW Community Outreach

Please join us as the Dance & BodyWorks repertory ensemble performs a Black History Month showcase for Bradford Oaks Nursing & Rehab Center at 7520 Surratts Rd., Clinton, MD. The program is on **Sunday, February 16th** and it begins at 2:00 pm. Refreshments will follow.