



Spring 2014 Newsletter for our Donors



21st Annual Spring Concert

Please join us on Saturday, 4/12 at 7pm and Sunday, 4/13 at 2pm at the *New World School of the Arts Dance Theater* for an evening of works showcasing TAYB's intermediate and advanced students as well as alumni. ***A donor reception will be held on Saturday 4/12 at 6pm.*** Tickets are available now at our main site and the day of each performance at the NWSA box office.

AKI Family Arts Festival

TAYB's own Tap Team will be performing at the 8th Annual "All Kids Included" (AKI) Festival which will take place on Saturday, 5/3 at the South Miami-Dade Cultural Arts Center. The AKI Family Arts Festival is designed to be inclusive for children and families of all abilities. To find out more about this free family event, click [here](#).

Young Talent, Big Dreams

TAYB has entered five pieces in the county-wide *Young Talent, Big Dreams* competition sponsored by the *Children's Trust*. One of our entries has passed to the semi-finals, and the remaining entries are auditioning soon. Click [here](#) to read more about the competition.

UM Partnership

The *University of Miami* has partnered with TAYB by providing an undergraduate student from UM's School of Communication, to create marketing materials for our program. Our Fall 2013 intern, Leixi Wang, created the promo video for Give Miami Day last November and launched our **#WeAreTAYB** campaign. To see the video click [here](#).

End-of-year Performances

Please join us at our annual end-of-year presentations held across our 4 satellites to see what our students have learned, thanks to your support of our programs.

Tues. 5/27 at 6pm

Betty T. Ferguson Center
3000 NW 199th Street,
Miami Gardens FL 33056

Wed. 5/28 at 6pm

Elizabeth Virrick Park
3255 Plaza Street
Miami, FL 33133

Thurs. 5/29 at 6pm

Homestead Housing Authority
31263 SW 136 Wy, #293
Homestead FL 33090

Fri. 5/30 at 6pm

Morningside Elementary
6620 NE 5th Avenue Miami FL 33138



TAYB Student featured by the Children's Trust
Ebony Smith, a graduating senior at Young Women's Preparatory, was featured in the Children's Trust 2013 Annual Report.

Grant Updates

TAYB successfully passed its mid-year review with the *Children's Trust* and was classified as "On Track". Additionally, TAYB was awarded by the *National Endowment for the Arts* for the 2014 year and continues to receive support for its programming from the *Miami-Dade County Dept. of Cultural Affairs*.

Contemporary Sundays

Upcoming artists for our *Contemporary Sundays Workshop Series* including TAYB alumni Masha Maddux and Lloyd Knight, *Martha Graham Dance Company* members, as well as NWSA High School & Juilliard alum, Lazaro Gody, formerly with the *Inbal Pinto and Avshalom Pollak Dance Company* in Israel. Stay tuned for exact dates to come!

Summer Programming

Summer programs begin on June 9th across our five locations. Approximately 500

children, ages 2 through 22, will be participating in ballet technique, stretch and strengthening, tap dance and dance curriculum depending on at and location.

Arts Education = Academic Success

One of our Homestead students, pictured right, proudly displays her honor roll report card. Our older students are exceeding as well. This year's graduating seniors have been accepted to numerous universities across the nation in addition to receiving partial and full scholarships to *Alvin Ailey Fordham Program*, *UNC Chapel Hill*, *NYU School of Engineering*, and *University of Indiana's BFA Program*. We are extremely proud of our students!



Magnet School Auditions

More than 21 of our students auditioned for magnet elementary, middle and high school programs. Here are the results so far:

- 6 accepted to New World School of the Arts High
- 1 accepted and 1 wait-listed to Miami Arts Charter
- 2 accepted to Mays Conservatory of the Arts
- 3 accepted to South Miami Middle

Some audition results are yet to arrive. We will let you know as soon as we know!

