



Parent Newsletter/Winter 2009

Dear BSA Parents,

The school year is in full swing and the students are immersed in their arts and academic programs. Musicians recently performed at *Chamber* and *Orchestra* concerts and with the young instrumentalists of the TWIGS program in a *Side-by-Side* educational program. The jazz band and a classical music trio also performed at the Kennedy Center and two senior musicians had the great privilege to attend master classes and a performance at the White House! The senior theatre ensemble and theatre production students are currently presenting *Wilder Ones* and the work of our visual artists can be seen on display in the *Fall Exhibition* in the Segal Gallery. And of course, the dancers are rehearsing for *The Nutcracker* and the *BSO's Holiday Spectacular!* On the academic front, congratulations to our first quarter **Dean's List** and **Honor Roll** students! Please see more details about all of the BSA happenings in the newsletter.

Leslie Shepard
Director

Performance/Exhibition Calendar

Visual Arts: **Fall Exhibition**

November 6-January 8
Segal Gallery/Free

Music: **Wind Ensemble Concert** Monday, Nov 23 – 7 pm *Schaefer Ballroom*

Choral Concert Thursday, Dec 17 – 7 pm *Schaefer Ballroom*

Theatre & Stage Production: ***Four One-Acts by Thornton Wilder*** *Pinkett Smith Theatre*

- Wednesday, Nov 18 – 7 pm
- Thursday, Nov 19 – 7 pm
- Friday, Nov 20 – 7 pm

- Saturday, Nov 21 – 2pm

Dance:

The Nutcracker Ballet *Schaefer Ballroom*

- Friday, Dec 4, 7 pm
- Saturday, Dec 5, 11 & 3 pm
- Sunday, Dec 6, 2 & 6 pm
- Friday, Dec 11, 7 pm
- Saturday, Dec 12, 11 & 3 pm
- Sunday, Dec 13, 2 & 6 pm

Nutcracker Box Office Hours

Tickets for *The Nutcracker* will be available for purchase in the front lobby on the following days:

- Saturday, Nov 21, 9-12
- Tuesday, Nov 24, 4-7
- Tuesday, Dec 1, 4-7

Wednesday, Dec 2, 4-7
Thursday, Dec 3, 4-7

Tickets are also available online at www.missiontix.com. For questions about *The Nutcracker* Ballet, call the ticket line at 410-624-2110.

For information about BSA events visit the school's website www.bsfa.org or call the Special Projects Office at 410-625-0403.

Please note: There will be a \$1.50 service charge per ticket for all credit card transactions at the box office and on-line.

Other Dates to Note:

- **Friday, December 18,**
Early Release Day
- **Wednesday, December 23**

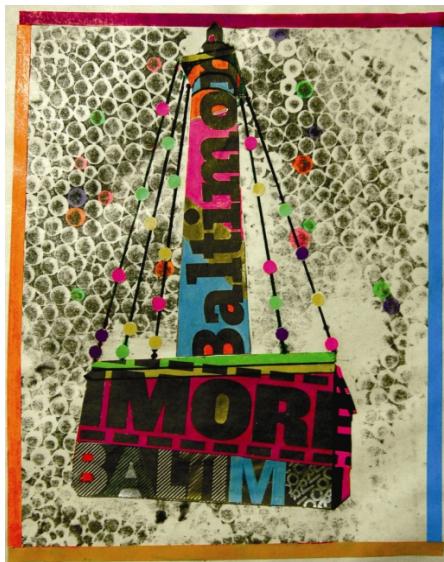
- **Dismissal end of 5th period**
- **Thursday, December 24 – Sunday, January 3**
School closed, Winter break
Classes resume Monday, January 4th
- **Thursday & Friday, November 26 & 27**
School Closed, Thanksgiving Holiday

Good News & In the News

Zoe Gensheimer, a senior in the Visual Arts Department, is the official artist of the year for the annual lighting of the Washington Monument. Her design, described by the Downtown Partnership as “very fresh and different from anything we have done in some time” will be featured on street pole banners, emails, ads, holiday cards and the poster for the event. Zoe is the first student to be chosen as the official artist.

The Monument Lighting will take place on Thursday, December 3. BSA’s famous tap dancing Santas will also be part of the festivities, which begin at 5:30 pm and include other

holiday entertainment and a fireworks finale.



The dancers will also be tapping at the **BSO’s Holiday Spectacular** later in the month – for more information or to purchase tickets, please visit www.bsomusic.org.

Looking for the Perfect Holiday Gift?

Make a donation to the BSA in honor of a loved one – we’ll send a beautiful card to your recipient. Donations can be made to a specific department, to the school’s annual fund, or to the book fund. For ideas, to browse the school’s “gift

catalogue” or to make a donation, please visit www.bsfa.org or call the BSA Foundation at 410-347-3043. Thank you for remembering BSA for the holidays!

BSA t-shirts and other logo wear will be on sale during intermission at all Nutcracker performances. Come see the production and shop too!

Another way to support the school when you are out and about this season is to designate BSA in the following giving programs: If you have a Target Red Card, please enroll in their school giving program at www.target.com/tcoe. If you shop at Giant Food, please register with the store so that BSA will receive credit: our school ID is 01212. You can also sign up online at www.giantfood.com/aplus. If you participate in the *2009 Maryland Charity Campaign* BSA’s designation code is 1021. Our designation code for the *2009 Combined Charity Campaign* is 2132. All of these campaigns really make a difference to our annual fund – thanks for participating!

Looking Ahead

In January:

- *Theatre students participating in the Red Cross Players Tour, January 5-8*
- *Financial Aid Night for Jr and Senior Parents, January 11 at 7pm*
- *Opera Scenes, January 12 at 7pm in the Schaefer Ballroom*

In March:

- BSA’s *30th Anniversary Expressions Celebration* will be held Saturday, March 6; Sunday, March 7; Monday, March 8; and Sunday, March 14.

- **Everyman Theatre** and Baltimore School for the Arts will collaborate on Thornton Wilder's American classic, *Our Town*, directed by Donald Hicken. Stripped of sets, curtains and props, watch Everyman Theatre magically transform into Grover's Corners in this celebratory production and see BSA students in action!
- For the second time stage production and theatre students will work with the **Maryland Historical Society**, this year researching and developing research packets about Revolutionary Maryland and eventually developing scenes to be produced at MHS.
- BSA dancers will also be featured in the BSO's production of Stravinsky's ***Pulcinella*** conducted by Marin Alsop. Renowned choreographer Lisa de Ribere returns to BSA to choreograph the ballet for this exciting production.

Congratulations on 1st Quarter Achievements!

Dean's List

Nana Adjeiwa-Manu
Daniel Lemer

Honor Roll

Grace Albright
Sarah Arroyo
Scott AuCoin
Fani Avramopoulos
Marisa Balatico
Sophia Bauershmidt
Aaron Bell
Maia Bedford
Lenna Blaser
Alana Bowers
Nathan Brandli
Claudia Buccino
Carlene Buccino
Aliyah Caldwell
Ian Cameron
Aaron Cary
Grace Chang
Lydia Cornett
Stephanie Crockett
Paul Cronan
David Diongue
Melissa Estes
Adia Evans
Tehya Faulk
Madeline Fishburn
Zoe Gensheimer
Brendan Gill
Sarah Gold

Micah Goldblum
Benjamin Grossman
Johanna Guilfoyle
Stephanie Hebb
Patricia Hengen
Olivia Henry-Jackson
Albert Hicks
Alexandra Hobson
Royce Hodnett
Melissa Hopkins
Gabrielle Iturralde
Annia Jasper
June Jennings
Chandler Johnson
Joshua Katinsky
Colleen Kerwin
Sam Kessler
Sophie Kessler
Julia Klavans
Nancy Kyel
Christopher Lane
Julia Laughlin
Jenelle Legge
Anastasia Lehukey
Alexandra Linn
Bernadette Little
Grace MacFarlane
Dylan Maddox
Angela Martino
William Mason
Lily McFeeeters
Taylor Miller
Tannaz Motevalli
Mikela Murphy
Hannah Myers
Aaron Opara
Shayna Orens
Ayana Parker-Morrison
Alexander Parlato
Daniel Raderman
Nava Rastegar

Ellin Rittler
Martha Robichaud
Rebecca Ross
Angela Ruiz
Daniel Sakamoto-Wengel
Daniel Schutrum-Boward
Brandon Semilia
Jessica Sharkey
Lewis Shaw
Asya Shaw
Milan Silverman
Glen Smith
Sydney Spann
Alexis Staley
Jasmine Strong
Amber Taylor
Adam Trinkoff
Tyasia Velines
Gwendolyn Vichness
Jasmine Watkins
Madeleine Welsh
Madison Wilson
Alexander Winch
Gabriel Wisner-Carlson
Eleanor Wright
Alice Wynd

Narisa Boodoo
Brianna Brantley
Brown, Nigal
Susannah Brown
Toddrick Brown-Bowens
Tionna Brunson
Claudia Buccino
Aliyah Caldwell
Ian Cameron
Joshua Campbell
Christian Cantu
Julian Carter-Rivera
Daron Cheatam
Rachel Condliffe
Lydia Cornett
Olivia Cox
Stephanie Crockett
Alexandra Cruz-Wright
Markele Cullins
Nicole Daniels
Tinnea Davis
Desiree Dawson
Hilary DeVos
David Diongue
Marcus Downer
Taylor Dunn
Rachel Edwards
Jalilah Epp Schmidt
Francesca Fabiani
Cicero Ferrante
India Fields
Madeline Fishburn
Devin Fleming
Kendall Forbes
Naijyyiah-Michelle
Gaither
Kevin Gillespie
Raquan Green
Maja Griffin
Benjamin Grossman

Perfect Attendance

Nana Adjeiwa-Manu
Maame Agyekum
Grace Albright
Arielle Armstrong
Scott Aucoin
Marisa Balatico
Ta'Kesihia Barnes
Sydney Bennett
Synthia Betances

Johanna Guilfoyle
Najah Hameed
Patricia Hengen
Daquan Hill
Rachel Hilson
Tiana Himmel
Alexandra Hobson
I'Yann Holley
Letravious Holley
Gabrielle Iturralde
Miranda Jacobs
Annie Jasper
Dominique Jenkins
June Jennings
Brennan Johnson
Chandler Johnson
Sierra Jones
David Kalwa
Hunter Kasky
Colleen Kerwin
Isabel Klompus

Nancy Kyei
Casey Landon
Julia Laughlin
Jabril Leach
Daniel Lemer
Grace Macfarlane
Dylan Maddox
Andrew Malinoski
Milo Matunis
Corrin Mitchell
William Mitchell
Raequane Montgomery
Candace Moore
Adrianna Morgan
Mikela Murphy
Tina Nguyen
Titi Nguyen
Aaron Opara
Aaron Outlen
Neiman Outlen
Tyrone Page Jr.

Reyna Pannell
Ashleigh Polite
Kaya Potler
Erica Powe
Caroline Preziosi
Daniel Raderman
Cleo Rahman
Ellin Rittler
Martha Robichaud
Julio Rodriquez
Rebecca Ross
Daniel Sakemoto-
Wengel
Jamel Sanders
Daniel Schutrum-
Bowers
Brandon Semilia
Haleh Short
Noah Smith
Courtney Spears
Alexis Staley

Megan Stricker
Jasmine Strong
Olakemi Teru
David Trinkoff
Maya Turner
Jasmine Urquhart
Tyasia Velines
Gwendolyn Vichness
Brittany Waldron
Malika Walker
Jasmine Watkins
Kendra Welborn
Madeleine Welsh
Elzie Williams
Janea Williams
Alexander Winch
Gabriel Wisner-Carlson
Eleanor Wright
Susanna Young

Last Call for Student Directory

We are in the process of putting together a student directory for family use at BSA and would very much like to include your family's information in the book.

If you wish to have your family's information included in the directory and either have not already sent in the form that was included in the Fall 2009 Parent Newsletter or been contacted via email by a volunteer and sent the information in that way, please email lisa.ercolano@gmail.com with the following information:

Student name, grade, arts area
Parents'/guardian name(s)
Address (including zipcode, please)
Telephone numbers
Email address(es)

Please note that participation in the directory is strictly voluntary! Please respond by Monday, November 23 in order to be included in the directory. Thank you!