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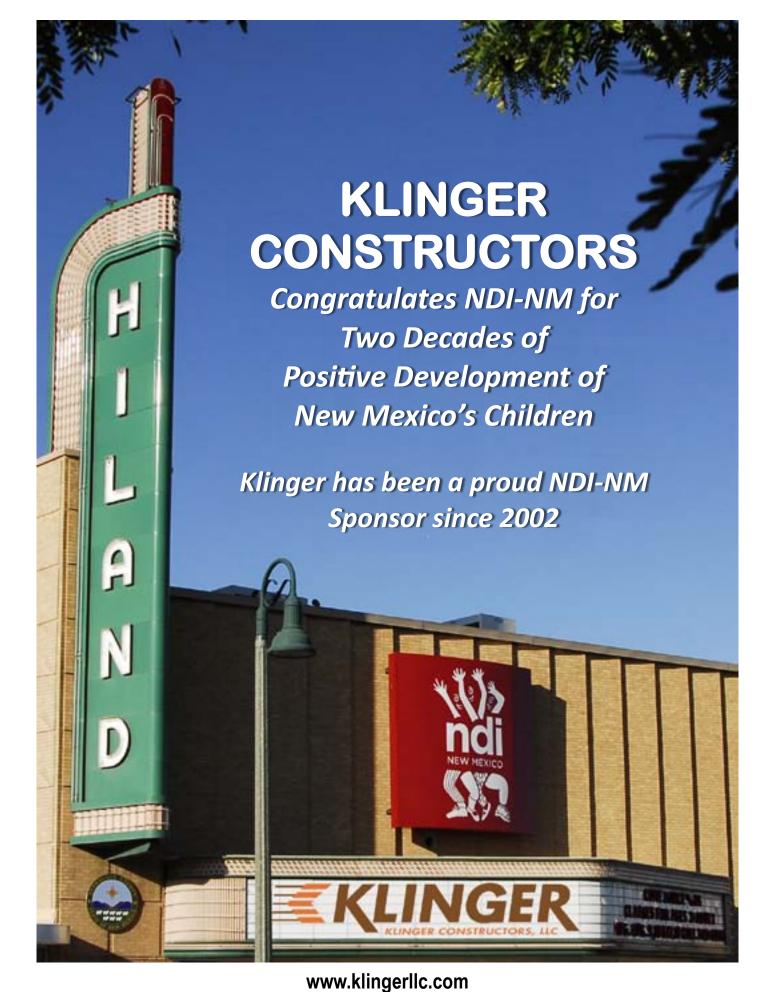
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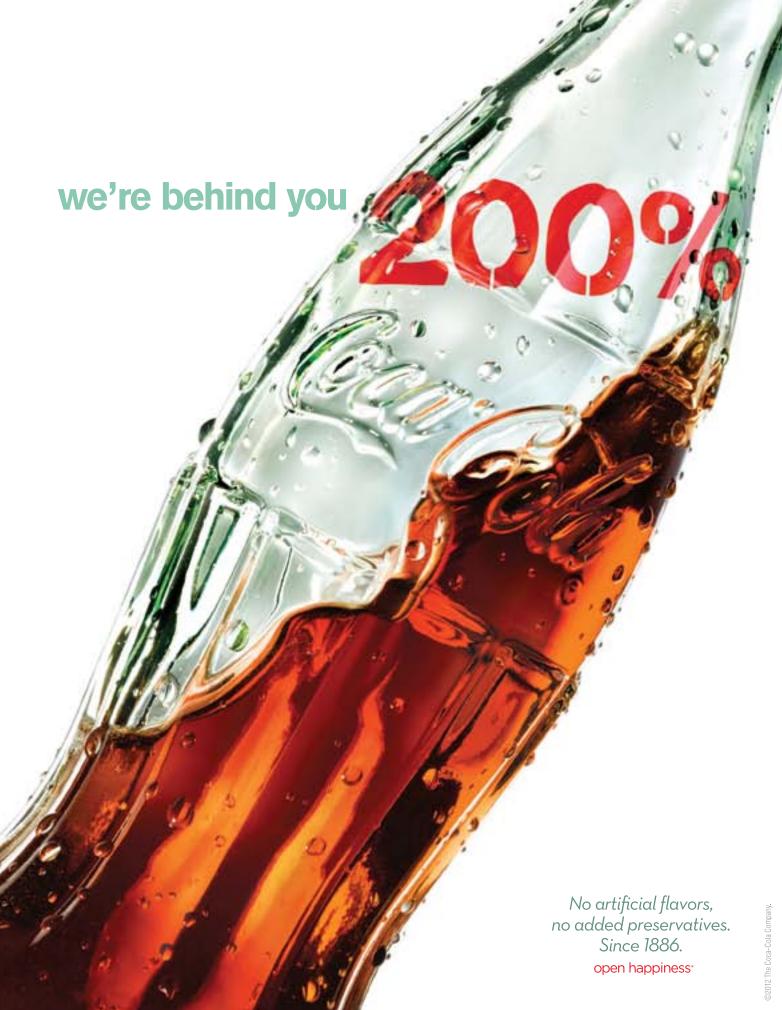
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### **NDI New Mexico Board of Directors**



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has helped my students
see the **benefits** of
diligent **team work**, and
has enabled them to take

ownership of the fruits

of their concerted effort.

-Sarah Saenz, Teacher, Dolores Gonzales Elementary, Albuquerque Welcome to today's performance and NDI New Mexico's 20th Anniversary! In this milestone year we are celebrating our belief in children, our commitment to excellence, and our Core Four values: Work Hard, Do Your Best, Never Give Up, and Be Healthy!

Since inception, NDI New Mexico has served 75,000 children with programs that engage and inspire them to be their best. For many children, our unique methodology of using the arts to teach life lessons has been a key to unlocking a path to learning and success. This year, NDI New Mexico programs have set the stage for improved health, academic achievement, self-confidence, and quality of life for 7,650 children, 425 teachers, and 68,000 audience members around the state.

We wish to recognize all the people who have helped make the past 20 years so special and spectacular. Our public school teachers, principals and administrators have supported our weekly classes. Our instructors and musicians have created joyful classroom experiences and inspiring performances that will serve as memories for a lifetime. Our parents, families, and audience members have attended shows and cheered for the performers' achievement and excellence. Our public officials have forged strong partnerships to make our programs accessible to our communities. Our donors and volunteers have generously given from their hearts to make it all possible.

This year we are also thrilled to announce the completion of the third and final phase of renovation at The Hiland Theater in Albuquerque. The neighborhood is already becoming more vibrant and alive with activity and the facility is filled each day with children and programs. Our afterschool, weekend, and summer classes are open to all children in the community and we thank the many donors, public officials, families, friends, and staff who worked so hard to make it all possible.

We hope you are inspired by the enthusiastic smiles, energy, and possibilities you see on stage today. Together we are helping prepare children for a positive future. Here's to the next 20 years!

Yours in Teaching Children Excellence,

Russell Baker Executive Director Beth Moise NDI New Mexico Board Chair





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# WORK HARD DO YOUR BEST NEVER GIVE UP BE HEALTHY

By teaching the "Core Four" - work hard, do your best, never give up and be healthy - NDI New Mexico's programs give students the skills and attitudes to overcome obstacles and gain the confidence, tenacity and hard work ethic necessary to succeed in life.

Since 1994, NDI New Mexico has helped more than 70,000 of New Mexico's underserved children by stepping up to meet head-on the educational, health, and other challenges they face. Our instructors and musicians are the "key ingredient" that brings our mission to life, inspiring students and transforming ordinary spaces through music and movement. Instructors also reinforce our most important message – that it takes energy and effort to achieve excellence!

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### SPOTLIGHT ON SOUTHEAST NEW MEXICO

NDI New Mexico programs are growing in Southeast New Mexico! Thanks to generous funding from The S.P. and Estelle Yates Family Foundation as well as the J. F Maddox Foundation, we are serving more children than ever before and training staff dedicated to working in the region... and we're just getting started.

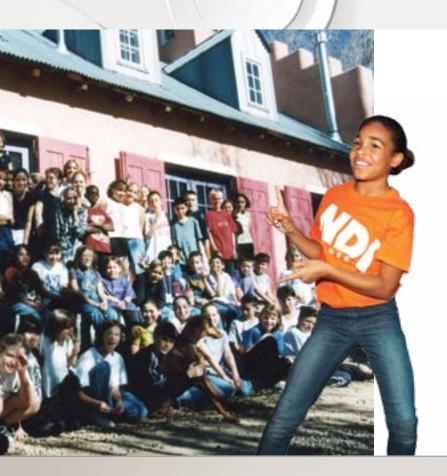
We are thrilled to welcome Lizeth Garcia as our new Southeast New Mexico Artistic Director.

Lizeth is a caring and energetic performing artist and teacher who has worked in NDIstyle outreach programs for the past five years. As Southeast New Mexico Artistic
Director, Lizeth will help build an artistic team, expand programs to new communities,
and develop both in-school and afterschool opportunities for students.

Add a quote from Lizeth...

NDI New Mexico first came to Southeast New Mexico 10 years ago and this year we are serving over 1,000 students in 13 schools in Artesia, Carlsbad, Roswell, Capitain and Hobbs. We are also offering summer programs in Artesia and Hobbs.

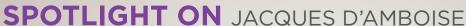
Next year our Southeast New Mexico Residency Team will be in residence in Artesia for a full 15-week program and afterschool classes. We will also add a second two-week Residency in Hobbs, add a second school in Carlsbad or Roswell, and begin planning for a new Residency in Ruidoso. As Southeast New Mexico experiences extraordinary growth, we are proud to be expanding and flourishing along with the region.



### NDI New Mexico began 20 years ago

when New York City Ballet dancer and founder of the National Dance Institute, Jacques d'Amboise, along with NYC Ballet dancer and actress Catherine Oppenheimer came to Santa Fe. Back then, the organization served 100 children in one school. Now, NDI New Mexico reaches more than 7,600 children each year in 34 communities around the state.

By engaging students at a young age through our unique and award-winning methodology, we make going to school more joyful and productive thus impacting low school attendance and academic success. Through our highly successful "HIP to Be Fit®" curriculum.



More than 20 years ago Jacques came to New Mexico with the support of a MacArthur Genius Fellowship in recognition of his unique work with children in New York City and his efforts establishing National Dance Institute. The first New Mexico "residencies" took place in Silver City and Santa Fe where teachers from New York, including NDI New Mexico's Founding Artistic Director Catherine Oppenheimer, led outdoor performances. These experiences planted the seeds for what would eventually become NDI New

Catherine quote about JDA and the early days...

Today, Jacques continues to choreograph and teach students, including recently setting his ballet "Puella Touches the Sun" on Santa Fe's Company XCel. He is also widely recognized through awards such as the Kennedy Center Honors and shares his dance and life experience through national speaking engagements and books such as "I Was a Dancer".

Last year, Jacques spoke before a group of NDI New Mexico's most cherished donors, the Silver Sneakers Legacy Society. At that event, he played video excerpts from his 3 appearances dancing on the Ed Sullivan Show and shared remarkable stories of his life as a dancer and a teacher. "Every person we meet in our lives makes an impression on us, teaches us something, helps us to discover something about ourselves. Thank you for supporting NDI New Mexico and helping New Mexico's children to discover something about themselves through dancing and have an experience which will help shape their lives."





### **Teaching Excellence® Teacher Training Workshop** August 18-29, 2014

This workshop, conducted at The Dance Barns in Santa Fe, provides an introduction to NDI New Mexico's award-winning teaching methodology.

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which is designed to encourage healthy eating and exercise, we help provide solutions to chronic health issues such as childhood obesity and diabetes. All of NDI New Mexico's programs are offered at no cost, or little cost, to children and their families and there are currently 100 schools on a waiting list to take advantage of what we offer.

This year, as NDI New Mexico marks 20 years of teaching children excellence, we celebrate all that sets us apart - unique programs that have demonstrated impact, core values that make us effective, and a vision for reaching children and

We must invest in our children for our future

to be bright. As we look ahead to the next 20 years, we strive to achieve the benchmark of 10,000 children served each year, to match every school we serve with a sponsor, to add depth to our programs in Albuquerque, Santa Fe, and across the state, to continue to study the impacts of our programs, and to foster strong ongoing relationships with our alumni. We invite you to join us as we bring experiences of joy and accomplishment to the next generation. As donors and friends, YOU are the key to our past, present and future success!

66 Through NDI New Mexico's efforts, thousands of **children** now have a chance to **succeed**. Whether they choose a **career** as a professional dancer, or take the **life** skills they learned and go to college or enter the workforce – they have the Golden Ticket that every parent wants for their child: a chance. 9 9

- Russell Baker, NDI New Mexico Executive Drector

helping them be their best that guides us now and into the future. The positive effects that NDI New Mexico's students experience gives them a better chance at beating the statistics because they have the skills and attitudes to successfully join the workforce, go to college, and break the cycle of poverty.

Through NDI New Mexico's efforts, thousands of children now have a chance to succeed. Whether they choose a career as a professional dancer, or take the life skills they learn and go to college or enter the workforce, they have the Golden Ticket that every child deserves: a chance.

### THE WHITE HOUSE

December 20, 2013

National Dance Institute of New Mexico Santa Fe, NM

### Dear Students:

I am so happy to hear about the exciting things taking place in your community and all the fun and creative ways you are staying active and eating healthy.

It is one of my missions as First Lady to ensure that kids like you are getting active and eating right every single day. We know that the choices you make today play an important role in your overall health, not just today, but as you grow and learn. Each of us has a role to play in achieving this goal, so I encourage you to join us online at www.LetsMove.gov where you can get involved and explore new ways to be active and eat fresh, healthy foods. While I'm so excited to listen and learn from you, I'm especially excited for all of you to learn from each other. We need you to work together, and lend your hands and heart to help build a healthier future.

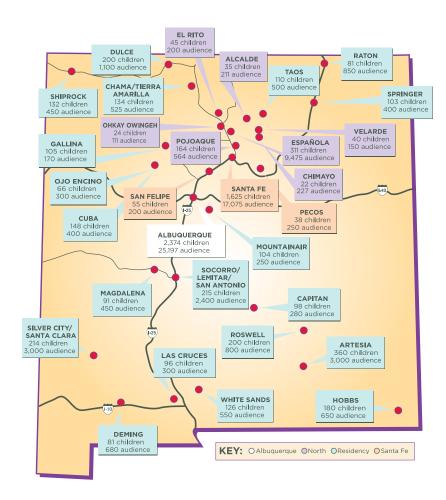
So stay active in your community, encourage your friends and family to get moving, and keep up the great work. Know that everything you need to accomplish your dreams is inside you and with hard work and dedication you can do anything.

Sincerely, Michelle Obama

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### **Statewide IMPACT**

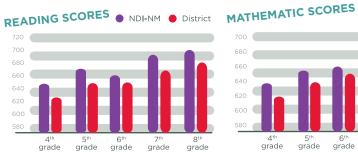


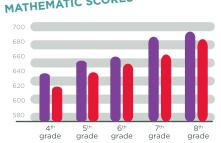
In 2013-2014, NDI New Mexico will reach more than 7.600 children, 425 public school teachers in 82 schools, 34 communities and 68,000 audience members statewide.

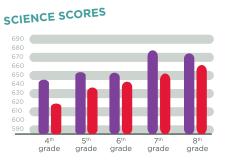
Our programs are **essential** for students to gain the skills necessary to learn healthy eating, overcome obstacles and gain the **confidence**, tenacity and work ethic necessary to **Succeed** 

### NDI New Mexico students scored consistently higher than their peers, ranging from 10 to 27 points

NDI New Mexico collected New Mexico Standards-Based Assessment (NMSBA) test score between 2006 and 2010 for 396 public school students who participated in NDI New Mexico Advanced Training programs.







### **Students report that NDI New Mexico:**

- keeps them healthy
- inspires them to move more
- helps them become more confident
- helps them learn new vocabulary and/ or math skills
- concepts of "Never give up" and "Do your best" help boost their self-confidence and sense of accomplishment

### Teachers, principals, and parents report that NDI New Mexico:

- has a higher expectation for children and more of a sense of focus and goal orientation
- brings out positive energy in their children and helps them develop teamwork skills
- helps students learn vocabulary words and math concepts through movement

### **SPOTLIGHT ON WALLACE FOUNDATION**

The Celebration Team is one of NDI New Mexico's advanced teams and is comprised of middle and high school aged students. These dancers have committed to teamwork, role model behavior, as well as hours upon hours of Saturday rehearsals for up to 7 years (see the list of Celebration graduates on page 35). These teens and "tweens" are also at a particularly vulnerable time in their lives and face many personal and social challenges that can end up affecting their education, health, and quality of life for the rest of their lives.

programming effective" to Say:

Last November, the Wallace Foundation, a national foundation dedicated to studying best practices in arts and management, named NDI New Mexico as one of the "exemplary" and "highly organizations in the country for working with this age group. As part of their "Something Success Principals for Afterschool Arts Programs from Urban Youth and Other Experts" report, Wallace offers ten key principles for effective and high quality afterschool programs. Among nine other factors, the most important aspect of a successful arts organization is that the instructors are professional, practicing artists. Some of the other principles include long-time NDI New Mexico values including safe and welcoming spaces that affirm the value of the art form, a culture of high expectations, and culminating student performances in front of public

> "High quality productions such as those at NDI New Mexico's performances signal to students their efforts are valued," the report affirms. It goes on to describe Runs & Jumps, one of our performance staples, "NDI New Mexico electrifies audiences and gives each youth a moment in the spotlight."

The full report, as well as a video featuring NDI New Mexico's Celebration Team, can be found at wallacefoundation.org.





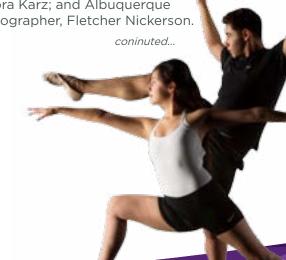
With ever-expanding programs, both The Dance Barns and The Hiland continue to positively impact the community by enriching the lives of children through engagement with the arts. Once again, it has been a year of growth for both facilities, with nearly 1,200 students currently enrolled. Of the 137 classes running at The Dance Barns and The Hiland, most are filled to capacity, and 21 have waiting lists!

The curriculum of every class encourages

healthy attitudes, self-discipline, and creativity, while providing students with high-quality technical training. From our Tiny Tots to our upper-level performers, students at The Dance Barns and The Hiland exemplify the NDI New Mexico values of Excellence and Rigor through joyful study of the arts. Guided by these principles, the students have shined on stage and in life, entertaining audiences and developing as resilient individuals.

Our pre-professional performing group,

Company XCel, is comprised of our most dedicated and advanced students. In addition to their excellent local instructors, throughout the year dancers have been afforded opportunities to learn from masterful guest instructors and choreographers, including Broadway legend, Ann Reinking; former dancer with New York City Ballet, Zippora Karz; and Albuquerque choreographer, Fletcher Nickerson.





Dancers from Company XCel along with fellow students performed in this year's Winter Dance Escape productions featuring Peter and the Wolf. Accompanied by an eight-piece orchestra and choreographed by Program Directors Allegra Lillard at The Dance Barns and Evelyn Cisneros-Legate at The Hiland, this favorite ballet delighted and inspired children of all ages.

Company XCel students who demonstrate dedication and achievement also have opportunities to earn special scholarship funds to continue their pursuit of the arts through summer study at prestigious schools nationwide.

This year's dancers will attend training programs at LINES Ballet in San Francisco, Boston Ballet, Joffrey Ballet in NYC, Ballet Chicago, and Walnut Hill School for the Performing Arts.

Classes at The Dance Barns and The Hiland are open to all children in the community. For additional information about afterschool, weekend, and summer programs, as well as class schedules and upcoming performance dates, please visit our websites: www.dancebarns.com and www.hilandtheater.com.



### SPOTLIGHT ON CHELSEA AGUIAR

In 2009 I had a full hip reconstruction. Initially I found myself so afraid of further injury that I stopped dancing and being active all together. This in turn lead to weakness and weight gain. I lost my confidence. Then I discovered strength training. That changed my life and truly inspired me to become an athlete again!

In 2010 I started working at a very fancy gym/spa as a personal trainer, and I never could have guessed that I would be pursuing training as a career. This January, I decided to leave to start my own business. I am currently the owner and president of Athaya Fitness LLC!! Athaya (or Abhaya in sanskrit) means movement without fear.

I strongly believe that it is my dance background, knowledge of movement, and my time at NDI New Mexico that has made me such an effective trainer. My company motto (Drive. Strive. Thrive.) is a direct reflection of the core values I was taught as a child. I find myself preaching to my clients about the importance of doing your best on each given day. One word in particular has been drilled into my brain permanently. Excellence... I can't get away from it! It has brought incredible success for me and for each of my clients.

I can't begin to stress how much NDI New Mexico and its core principles have inspired me throughout my life. NDI New Mexico was everything to me growing up. Today my memories and experiences at NDI-NM are woven into the fabric of my soul. I love each of you, simply for continuing to inspire children and teens every day just as you did me. Pat yourselves on the back because you're changing lives, and that is no small task. I will never be able to repay the program for everything it has given me, but I hope to continue to live as a person of excellence, and to share what I learned with the world. Thank you from the bottom of my heart and never stop what you are doing. It's working!!



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### **Powerful Partnerships**

NDI New Mexico is pleased to have many partners that help strengthen our programs and communities throughout the state. We would not be able to provide our programs without strong community support and partnerships. In addition to local schools and school districts, there are many people, businesses, foundation and government agencies that make it possible for us to bring our staff to cities and towns all over New Mexico.

NDI New Mexico Day at the
Legislature was sponsored by
Representative Lucky Varela and
Senator John Ryan on February 5. We
were recognized through joint memorials
for our 20 years of service to the children
of New Mexico and once again our

of New Mexico and, once again, our students impressed everyone with their dancing! Even more impressive was the outpouring of testimonials from legislators from around the state for the work that NDI New Mexico is doing to improve the lives of children and families in their communities. We were humbled by moving speeches from Rep. Varela and Sen. Ryan and Senators Howie Morales and Richard Martinez and Representatives Gail Chasey, Brian Egolf, Candy Spence Ezzell, Stephanie Garcia Richard, Debbie Rodella, Patricia Roybal Caballero, Liz Thomson, Don Tripp, Carl Trujillo, Jim Trujillo, and Monica Youngblood.

Support from the NM Department of Health helps us to provide almost 50,000 instructional hours to 1,150 children and 116 classroom teachers around the state. They also support our evaluation work with UNM.

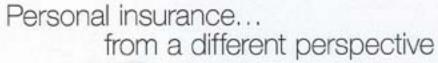
The City of Albuquerque continues to help us reach almost 200 students enrolled in after-school programs at 16 city community centers. Thanks to the Family and Community Services Department, the students participate in NDI New Mexico's HIP to Be Fit® Club. Students have fun learning dance, cooking and good nutrition while improving their academic achievement.

Now in our second year of working with UNM's Center for Education Policy Research, we have revised our evaluation to demonstrate how our teaching aligns with the new Common Core State Standards. We have conducted interviews with alumni and are organizing focus groups to hear how former students feel that NDI New Mexico has benefited them.

A big Thank You to all of you who make it possible for us to provide almost 305,000 instruction hours to children and teachers in all corners of the State of New Mexico!

66 NDI New Mexico showed me how to stand on my

**own** two feet and how to continue to **persevere**.





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WE DID IT! In May 2013, we officially reached our \$13 million goal for The Hiland! We have our dedicated donors and champions to thank for this tremendous milestone in the history of NDI New Mexico. Not only did we reach our financial goals, but construction on the final phase concluded as of April 1, 2014. Which means....The Hiland is complete!

From the colorful Children's Entrance to the light-filled meeting rooms on the second floor, every inch of The Hiland has undergone a complete revitalization and is helping us carry out our mission in Albuquerque and throughout the state.

Visiting The Hiland on a busy day, you may see the east side full of students from the littlest Tiny Tot to experienced tap dancers, while energetic Outreach instructors lead SWAT and Celebration team rehearsals in the theater; in the newest west side studios, Evelyn directs rehearsals for Company XCel, NDI New Mexico's most advanced group of dancers. Each week, 720 children utilize this wonderful space, bringing energy and a sense of possibility to our halls.

**As rewarding as it is to reach our financial target,** it is the meaning of those numbers that is most important. Gifts to The Hiland have made so much possible:

- \* Renovation of the east side into an after-school center for children and their families featuring 5 state-of-the-art studios/teaching spaces
- \* Restoration of the original theater into a convertible space with seating for 600 where we host thousands of audience members each year
- \* Expansion of the number of students we serve in Albuquerque from 1,200 to 2,200 (with further growth on the horizon!)
- \* Recent completion of the west side, providing office space for staff and two additional studios
- \* Successful completion of the Kresge Foundation challenge match
- ★ Much-needed new jobs and increased foot traffic in the Highland neighborhood

### SPOTLIGHT ON EVELYN CISNEROS-LEGATE

**After a 2-year search, NDI New Mexico welcomed Evelyn Cisneros** to the Artistic staff as Hiland Program Director this year. As a former ballerina for the San Francisco Ballet, Evelyn is a shining example of our Core Four: Work Hard, Do Your Best, Never Give Up, and Be Healthy. As a child, she trained at the San Francisco Ballet School where her promise as a ballerina was widely recognized. Thanks to her hard work and dedication, by the age of 18 she was offered a long-term contract with San Francisco Ballet where she soon became the company's favorite dancer. She captivated audiences worldwide and enjoyed an illustrious 23-year career with the company.

A powerful role model, Evelyn is considered the first Hispanic prima ballerina in the United States and has performed on the greatest stages in the world. Evelyn first discovered her talent by accident, when her mother enrolled her in a ballet class as a way to overcome her extreme shyness as a young

child. As the Hiland Director, Evelyn oversees program quality curriculum for after-school classes, and leads our wonderful team of Hiland instructors. She also teaches numerous ballet classes each week, including Company XCel. "I am so proud of the progress the XCel students have made over our first six months together; ballet is such a difficult art form that takes great concentration and commitment. They have not tired of the work and continue to work diligently towards meeting technical demands. It is a challenging but fun journey together." Evelyn's extensive career and teaching experience, as well as her gifts to mentor and guide our students make her a perfect fit to support our mission of teaching children excellence. Welcome, Evelyn!

6 6 All the hours **teaching** in the studio are worth the **effort** when just one **student** is turned on by the **art** form. I **love** it!!







This journey began in 2006 when our board and staff identified Albuquerque as a key area for future growth. Reaching the campaign goal was possible because of donations from over 1,000 individuals, businesses, foundations, and public partners. Special thanks to Catherine Oppenheimer, Garrett Thornburg, Don and Dianne Chalmers, Louise Campbell-Tolber and Nancy Blaugrund for their leadership and commitment as Co-Chairs of the campaign.

Our goals for The Hiland include filling every studio every day, training instructors at The Hiland that can be sent out to teach NDI New Mexico programs in Albuquerque schools and in rural communities, and securing full funding for each of our classes, whether they take place at The Hiland or at a local school.

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We invite you to continue with us on this wonderful journey in Albuquerque. As we continue to offer noand low-cost programs to children in Albuquerque that need our programs most, we need the support of our friends and donors now more than ever to share the NDI New Mexico story and to ensure this important work continues.

### How YOU can make a difference in Albuquerque:

- \* Sign up for Hiland classes we have offerings for students ages 3-adult with classes in tap, jazz, ballet, hip hop, musical theater, voice, and zumba
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"Our parents would be very proud of what The Hiland has become," says Ole Peloso. "It's wonderful to see the building alive with activity and reaching so many families in Albuquerque."

As we celebrate the completion of The Hiland, NDI New Mexico wishes to thank Ole & Sheila Peloso, Antoinette Peloso & Chad O'Connor for their support of The Hiland, their belief in the mission of NDI New Mexico, and their dedication to continuing their parents' legacy. We are honored to know you!





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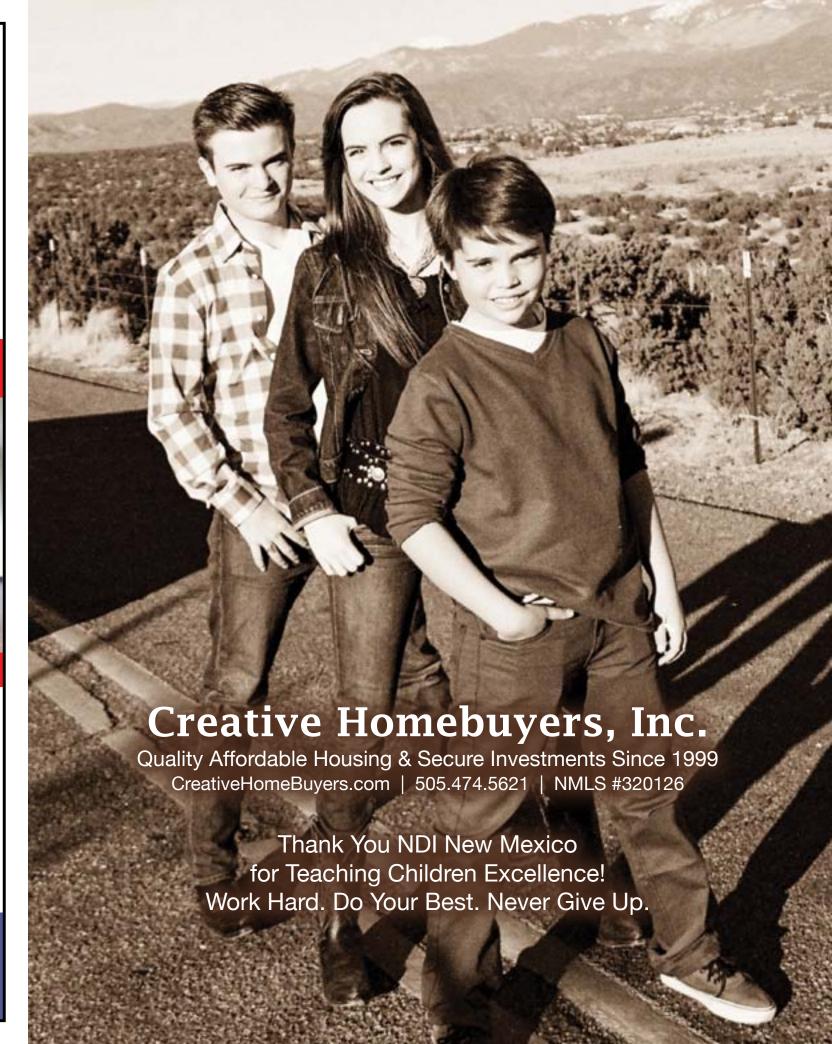
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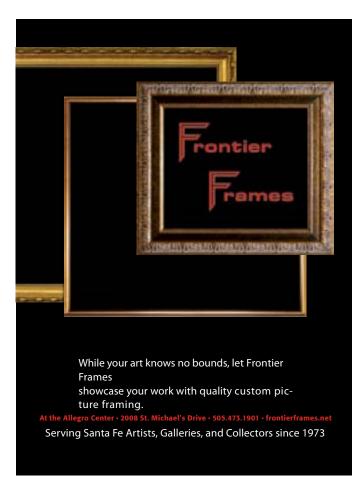
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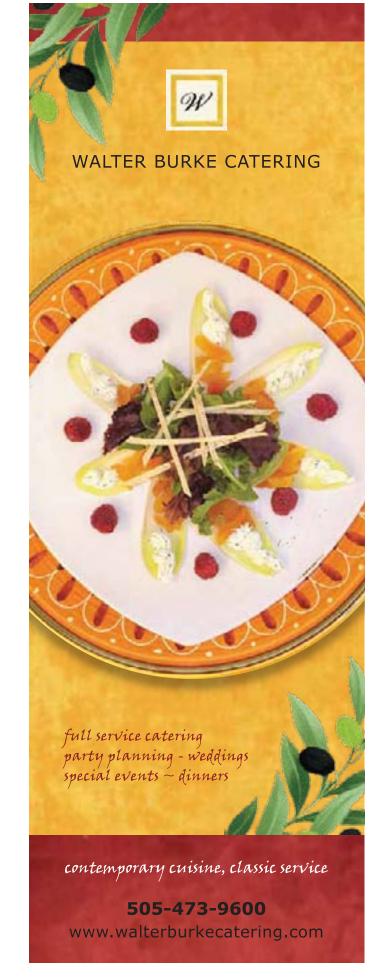
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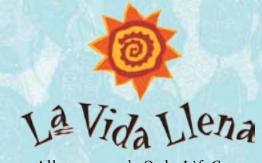


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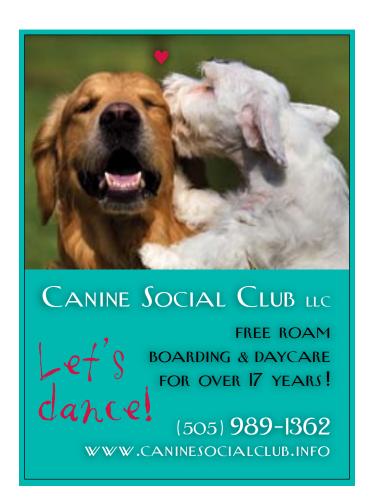
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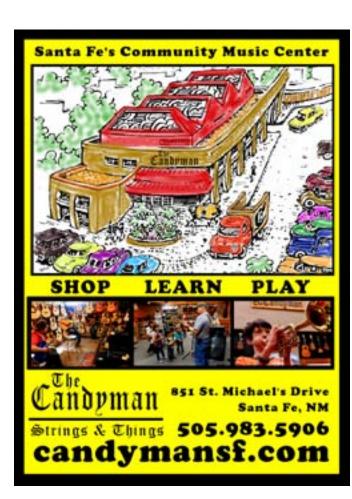


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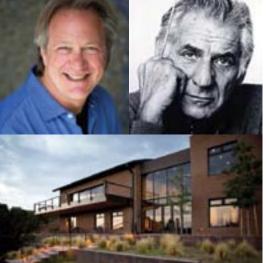
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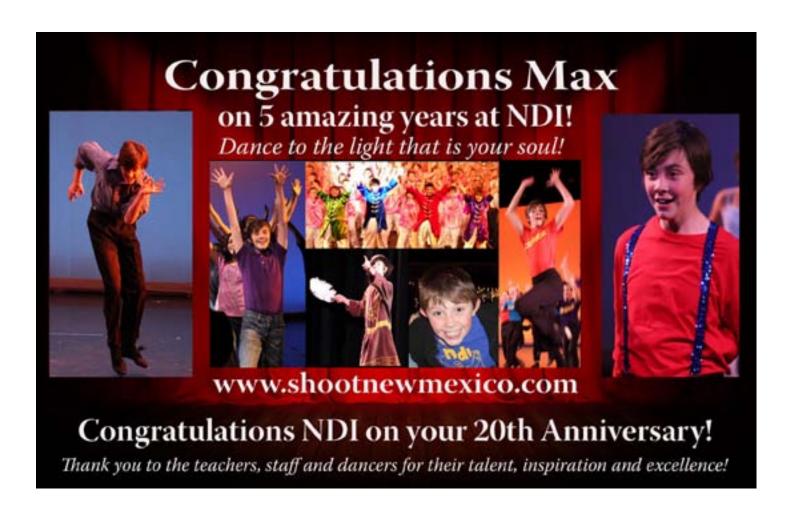
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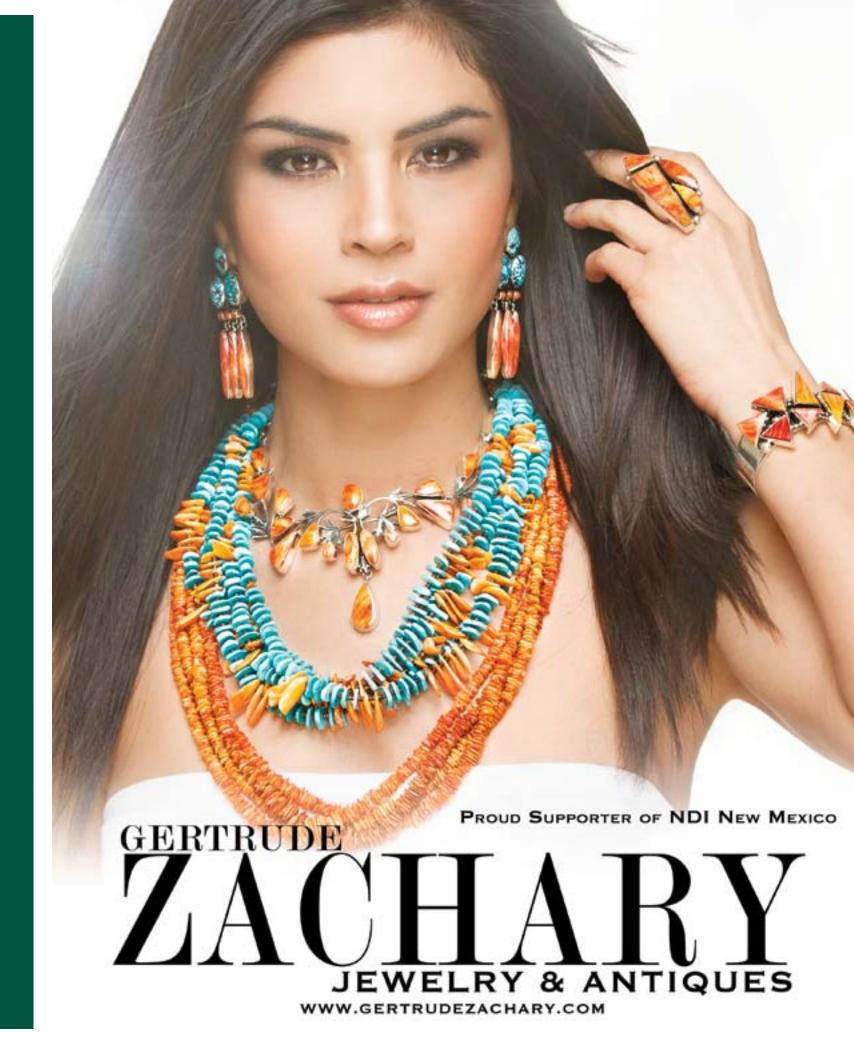


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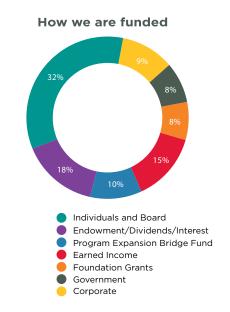
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When Barbara and Chuck were first married, Barbara was a Junior High School teacher in Houston. She recognized early on that while doing their best was her classroom mantra, some needed additional support and help in recognizing their full potential. Her involvement with NDI New Mexico continues to embrace that feeling and her concern for the youth of New Mexico and the need to support and enhance their own self-esteem and a future of opportunity.

Chuck is a steadfast partner with Barbara and her involvement with NDI New Mexico. They are firm believers that we all need to work together for the future of this incredible community.

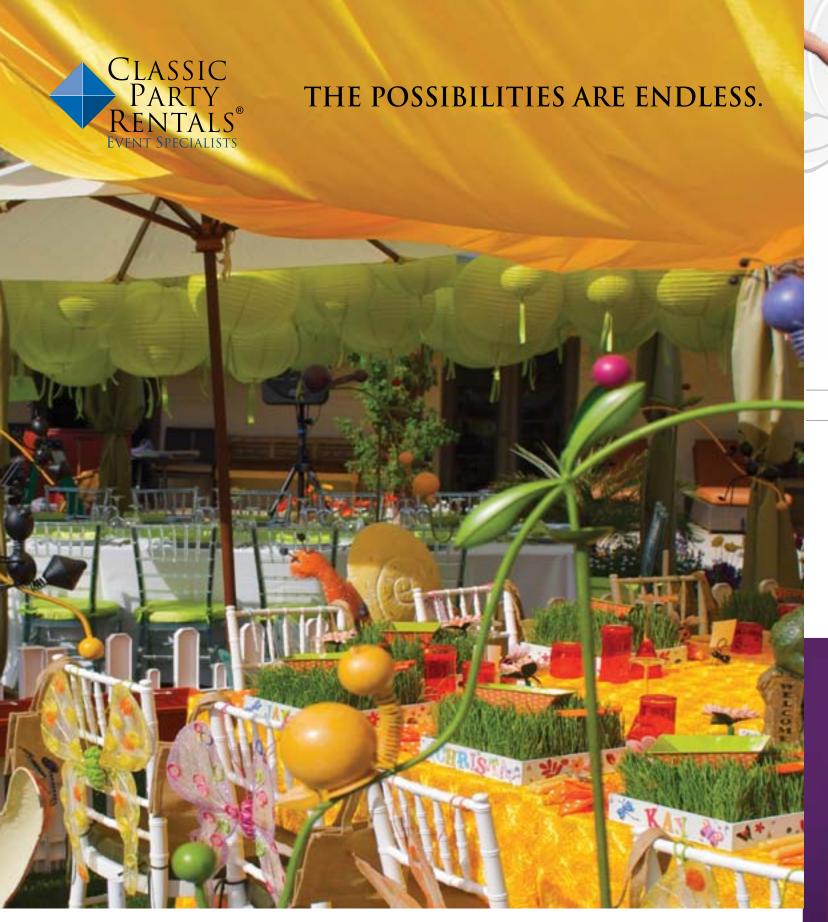


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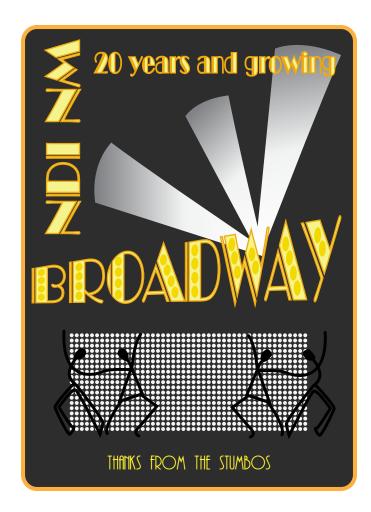
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### **SPOTLIGHT ON BETH & STEVE MOISE**

As Board Chair, Beth Moise leads NDI New Mexico at a unique time in our history - our 20th anniversary as a statewide organization. "I felt it was important to emphasize our 20th anniversary and use this milestone to celebrate our incredible history of impact and success," Beth says. "This anniversary provides the perfect opportunity to share our story with a broader audience and to shine the spotlight on our wonderful family of donors." Beth and her husband Steve have been active with NDI New Mexico since 2002. They were first introduced to the organization by Emeritus Board members Cindy Johns and Dianne Chalmers. After seeing the program in action at the Johns' home, they jumped into action, personally supporting the program and sharing its work with their circle of friends. Beth joined the board in 2008, shortly after NDI New Mexico secured the lease for The Hiland Theater and amidst preparations for a capital campaign and major growth in Albuquerque. Coincidentally, it was also the same year Russell Baker became Executive Director. Beth's background in organizational strategy, development, and executive coaching has proven to be a winning mix. Groups like our Albuquerque Managing Council and Governance Committee have benefited from her expertise. Due in no small part to Beth's influence, our Board has developed into a dynamic group of leaders that represent both Santa Fe and Albuquerque and utilize best practices. As part of the 20th anniversary, Beth and the Board set an aggressive goal of fully funding 20 NDI-NM classes around the state, and recruiting 20 new members to our Silver Sneakers Legacy Society to ensure a bright future for NDI New Mexico.

Beth and Steve never hesitate to welcome friends of NDI-NM into their home for cultivation events and board appreciation dinners. Their passion for NDI New Mexico is clear - "Students' enthusiasm for the program and for the instructors tells the story best; children have the opportunity to shine in NDI-NM, which is worth every bit of time and resources Steve and I invest." Our thanks to Beth and Steve for their leadership, which helps ensure excellence and success for the next 20 years!







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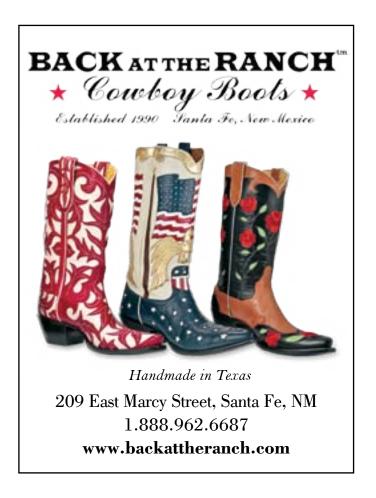


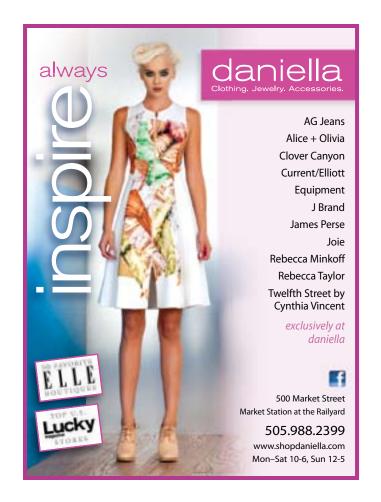


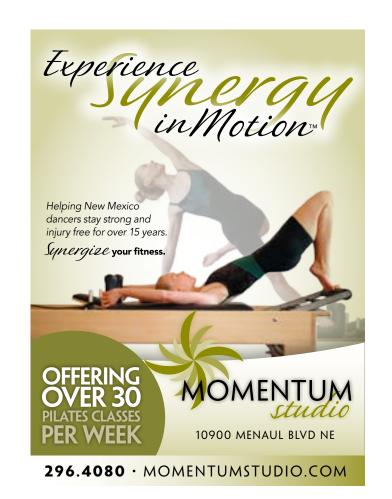




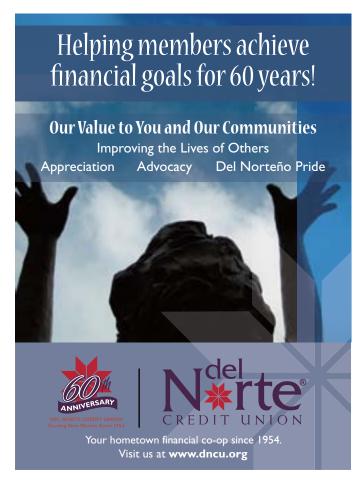
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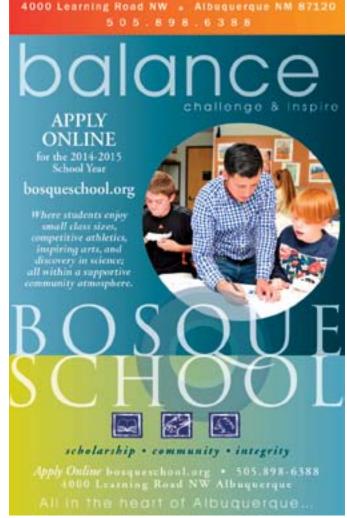












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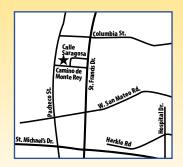
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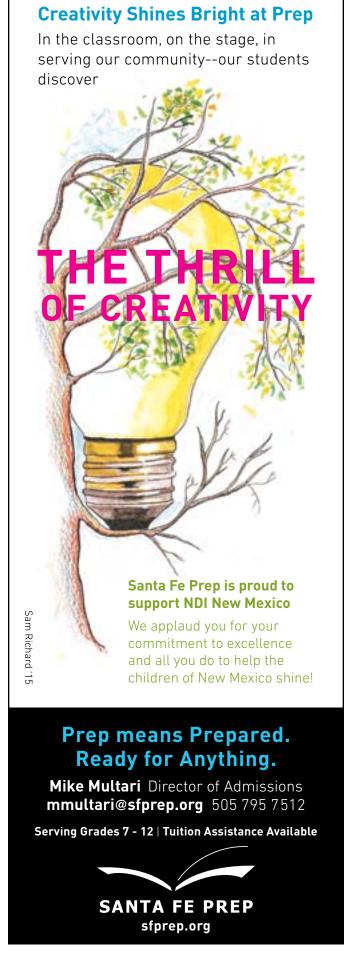


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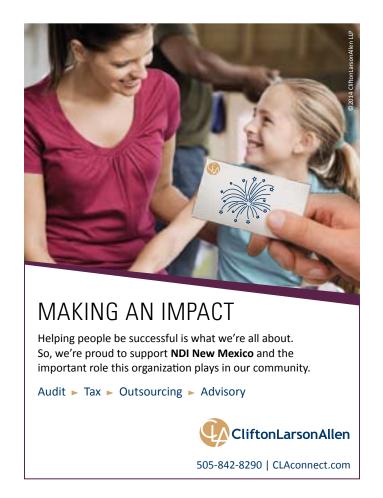
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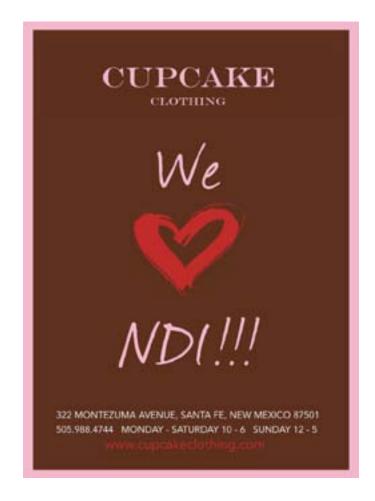


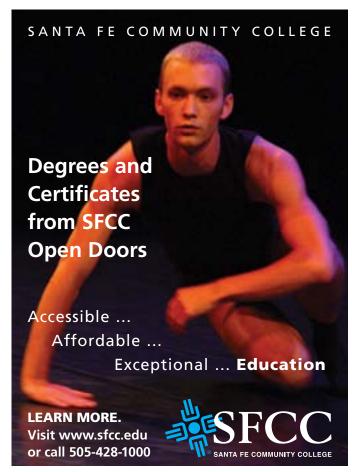


















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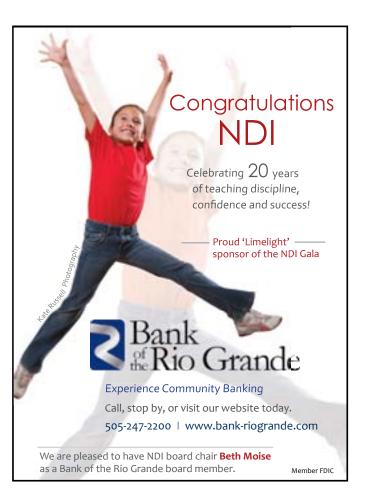
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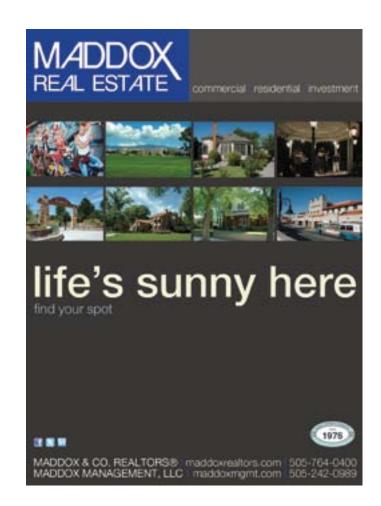
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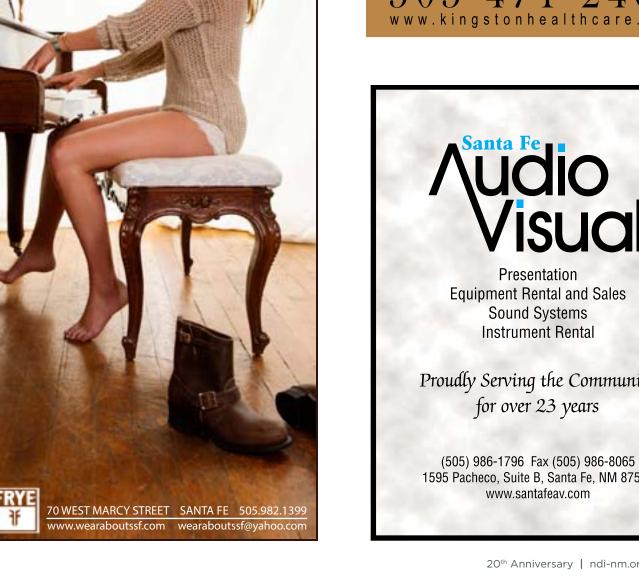
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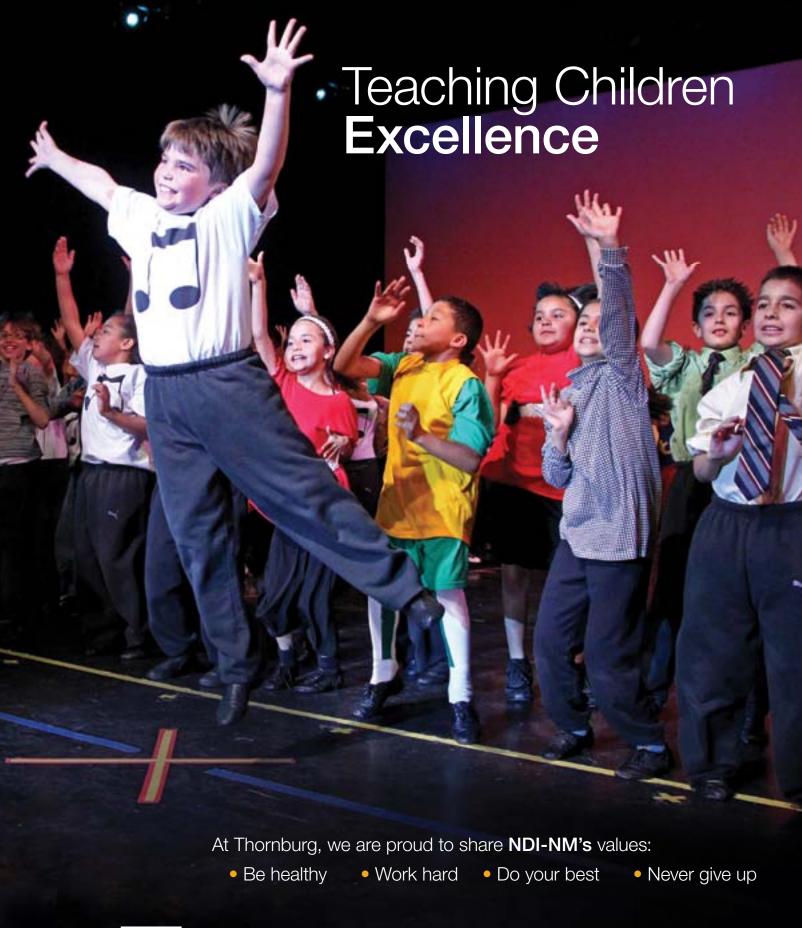
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