New Bedford Ballet and Schwartz Center for Children Continue Special Partnership



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The Schwartz Center for Children and New Bedford Ballet are pleased to offer the Partners in Dance program, an adaptive dance class designed for children with developmental challenges, who are partnered with their typically developing peers, relatives, or teachers. This innovative program will be offered from January 9th through February 13th on Thursdays from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Schwartz Center for Children.

Under the direction of Ms. Rebecca Waskiel-Marchesseault, artistic director of New Bedford Ballet and with assistance from Mr. James Brown, master ballet instructor at New Bedford Ballet, and staff members from the Schwartz Center for Children, students with developmental challenges will explore the world of dance and creative movement in a fun and relaxed atmosphere. Each class includes a unique theme, around which a warm-up, creative movement and a craft activity are based. Each child will be partnered with their sibling, a relative, a peer, or an adult, and together they will share this unique experience designed to foster creativity and self-esteem. About New Bedford Ballet Foundation: Founded in 1987, the New

Bedford Ballet Foundation is a non-profit organization whose mission is to promote and present classical and contemporary ballets, grant scholarships, and educate the community in the value of the performing arts. Throughout the years, aided by the financial support of the Foundation, thousands of area school children and senior citizens have had the opportunity to enjoy the world of dance. For more information about this program or others offered by New Bedford Ballet and the Schwartz Center, contact the New Bedford Ballet at 508-993-1387 or visit: newbedfordballet.org