

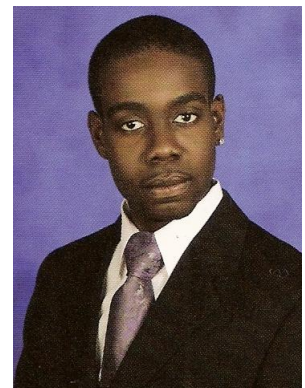
**Chelsey Alvarez** graduates from New World School of the Arts. In addition to continuing with dance, she has entered Florida International University/Miami Dade College's Dual Enrollment Program in the fall of 2009. She is considering studying Fashion Design.



**Camila Escobar** graduates Magna Cum Laude from Coral Reef Senior High School, where she was an active member of the National Honor Society. She will attend Florida State University on scholarship from organizations such as Hispanic Scholarship Fund, TD Bank and RMHC US. She intends to major in finances and minor in psychology. One of her long-term goals is attending law school; however, she has yet to decide which branch of law to specialize in.

**Julia Headley** will be attending the Lines Ballet Intensive over the summer, after graduating from high school in Barbados. In the late summer she will be moving to New York City to attend Julliard School of the Arts.

**Bruno Jacques-Louis** graduates from New World School of the Arts High School. While in NWSA he participated in numerous voice competitions such as ACTSO 2009 Competition, 2009 All-State Men's Chorus where he received prizes. He was a member of "Connection", a Musical Theater group made up of Juniors and Seniors NWSA students; a member of "The Gentlemen", a Barbershop Quartet, for three years; and a president and the music director of Voices of Inspiration, a choir made up of vocalists at New World School of the Arts. Bruno has attended Dance Theatre of Harlem Intensives in New York City for the past two summers. Bruno is looking forward to attending NWSA College for Music Theatre/Voice.



**Victoria Jackson** graduates from New World School of the Arts High School and was born in Miami and has been dancing since she was 12 years old. She began her dance training at Inner City Ballet and then attended Charles R. Drew Middle School training under Sylvia Padron. After graduating from Drew Middle, she auditioned for and was accepted at New World School of the Arts. She also dances at Thomas Armor Youth Ballet- Miami Conservatory directed by Ruth Wiesen. Ms. Jackson's goal is to earn her B.F.A. in Dance at

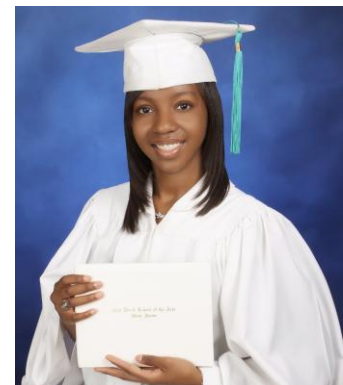
New World College. Her dream is to become a successful dancer at Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater company.

**Behroz Nowrojee** graduated with honors and awards from the University of Florida with a Master's in Special Education, Bachelor's in Elementary Education, and a minor in Dance. She will start teaching at an Elementary School in South Florida!



**Nathaly Prieto** graduated from South Miami Senior High School with Magna Cum Laude. While in high school, Nathaly was a member of the National Honor Society, Spanish Spirit Society, New Americans Club, Dance Honor Society and the Interamerican Club. She was a Silver Knight nominee in the Drama category. The summer of 2009, Ms. Prieto is attending Dance Theatre of Harlem on a full scholarship and she is looking forward to coming back to Miami for her first year at NWSA College on full scholarship.

**Michelle Russell** graduated from New World School of the Arts High School and was accepted to University of Florida and Florida State University. She plans on attending Florida State University, where she will be majoring in dance. As a student at Florida State University, Miss Russell plans on perfecting her technique and becoming a better performer. After graduating from FSU, Miss Russell plans to relocate to New York and join a contemporary modern dance company.



**Leslie St. Jour** is a native Miamian who began her dance training at the age of 12 at the Turning Point Dance Academy. She then attended Charles R. Drew Middle School, where she continued to train in dance under the direction of Sylvia Padron. Upon completion of middle school, she auditioned and successfully entered New World School of the Arts. Ms. St. Jour is currently a senior at New World School of the Arts and continues to gain experience through performances and dance training. She will be teaching dance at a camp this summer, and plans to attend New York University's Tisch School of the Arts in the fall as a dance major.



**Anya Talbot** graduated from University of Miami with Master's of Arts in International Administration. Since graduation, Anya has been an active advocate for the Arts in Education for the Thomas Armour Youth Ballet. Also, this summer she is looking forward to being a Thomas Armour Youth Ballet chaperone in New York City this summer.

**Ayla Weisz** has attended the Miami Conservatory of Ballet for 11 years. She is a senior member of the Thomas Armour Youth Ballet, and previously participated in its staging of Swan Lake and the Nutcracker. In the most production of the Nutcracker, Ayla appeared as Snow Queen and Dewdrop. This year she was honored by the National Foundation for the Advancement in the Arts for being one the most promising dancers in the country in a competition that draws more than 6,000 artists. The honor, which recognized only six ballet dancers, represents the top 2% of the most talented high school seniors in the nation. Ayla also received the Arts for Life scholarship from the Foundation for Excellence in Education, a project of former Gov. Jeb Bush and his wife, Columba. In addition to maintaining a busy performance schedule at New World School of the Arts, Ayla participated in several independent ballet competitions throughout high school. In her senior year, she received a Pointe Shoe Award at the American Dance Competition, where she placed in the finals, and was invited to participate in the New York Intensive program of the Youth American Grand Prix. She is a veteran of summer programs at the Miami Conservatory, Rock School for Dance Education, American Ballet Theater and Boston Ballet. Ayla received college scholarship offers from the Universities of Indiana, Cincinnati, Arizona, Colorado, Butler University, and the University of Central Florida. She will be attending the Boston Conservatory in the fall on scholarship.



**Melissa Wong** graduates from Gulliver Prep and will attend New York University for pre-medicine and business. While in high school, Ms. Wong was part of the International Baccalaureate Program, National Honor Society, National Dance Honor Society (Nu Delta Alpha), and the Spanish Honor Society. Additionally, Ms. Wong has won numerous FDTDA and ADA State Competitions as well as National Competitions in dance and cheerleading.