## THE **AILEY** EXTENSION

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## Ailey Invites Fans Nationwide to Take a FREE Class With a "Ticket-to-Dance" Celebrating Revelations at 50 With Revelations-Themed Classes at The Ailey Extension

(New York) November 17, 2010 – The Ailey Extension offers Ailey fans nationwide the chance to take the magic of modern dance from the stage to the studio with a FREE class at Ailey's home – The Joan Weill Center for Dance. This special "Ticket to Dance" promotion offers a complimentary Ailey Extension class with a ticket stub from any Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater or Ailey II performance around the nation!

In celebration of 50 years of Alvin Ailey's masterwork, *Revelations*, former and current Company members will lead classes that feature movements from the classic ballet, called a "must-see for all people," at The Ailey Extension for the first time ever! For a limited time, *Revelations at 50 Classes* will be offered to the public from November 2nd – December 30th. The inspiration that the Ailey Company has been sharing on the world's stages for 50 years is felt not only in the theater, but in the classes at Ailey's home. In the words of Artistic Director, Judith Jamison, "If you can get yourself in the door, you can take a class!"



Company members Hope Boykin and Rosalyn Deshauteurs in Alvin Ailey's Revelations. Photo by Paul Kolnik

With a "Ticket-to-Dance," people all across the country who are inspired by Ailey's extraordinary artists during their 2010-2011 North American tour can visit New York City and join in any of the 80 different classes offered at The Ailey Extension at The Joan Weill Center for Dance. This destination for dance boasts 12 beautiful studios with views of the NYC skyline, and is the nation's largest building dedicated to dance. Get your "Ticket-to-Dance" today with a ticket purchase to the December 1 - January 2 New York City Center Season - just in time for the holidays! Tickets starting at \$25 are available at the New York City Center Box Office, through CityTix® at (212) 581-1212 or online at www.alvinailey.org or www.nycitycenter.org. Each "Ticket to Dance" is good for one year from the performance date for first time students, and when purchasing a 10-class card for classes at the Ailey Extension in New York City for returning students.



Horton Class at The Ailey Extension. Photo by Arthur Coopchick.

Since its inception in 2005, The Ailey Extension has fulfilled Mr. Ailey's life-long commitment of bringing dance to everyone by offering "real classes for real people". The Extension offers over 80 classes per week in over 30 different dance and fitness techniques for all levels. Over 42, 000 people have taken classes at Ailey's home, the nation's largest building dedicated to dance, where dancers of all levels and walks of life can learn and be inspired – body, mind, and spirit!

For more information on Revelations at 50 Classes, please visit www.alvinailey.org/revelations-50-classes

For complete class schedules and information on The Ailey Extension, please visit www.aileyextension.com