Dear Friends,

Below is the official invitation to the FRED & ADELE ASTAIRE AWARDS - the ONLY awards that specifically honor Broadway and Film Choreographers and Broadway Dancers.

I am THRILLED to be an honorary chair of this prestigious entertainment industry event. We are raising money to support Dance Therapy for Autistic Children in the Public Schools and will be providing a scholarship to a rising young dancer (both 5D1(c)(3) public charities). This star studded evening will be THE glamorous highlight of your spring season while supporting two important charities.

A VIP ticket entitles you to the VIP red carpet and cocktail reception starting at 6pm; the fabulous performances and award ceremony starting at 7:30pm followed by dinner and dancing with the Nominees, Recipients and Performers.

VIP prime seating is \$425 per ticket. However, if you order 2 or more tickets before April 30th, you will receive a 10% discount - only \$382.50 per ticket.

For more information and to purchase your ticket(s), please go to, www.theastaireawards.org.

l deeply appreciate your support and attendance at this celebrity packed, fun-filled charitable event.

Best regards,

Wendy

Ava Astaire & The Douglas Watt Family Fund for the Performing Arts Present

THE FRED AND ADELE ASTAIRE AWARDS

Hosted by BEBE NEUWIRTH & LEE ROY REAMS

Sunday, May 15th, 2011

The Skirball Center at NYU 566 Laguardia Place

6:00-7:15 PM – Red Carpet VIP Cocktail Reception 7:30-9:00 PM – Performance & Awards 9:00 PM – VIP After-Party in the Rosenthal Reception Hall

A Gala Evening Celebrating the Season's Outstanding Dance and Choreography on Broadway and in Film

Star Studded Performances and Special Guests including The Douglas Watt Lifetime Achievement Award Winner

JACQUES D'AMBOISE

presented by Len Cariou and Brian Stokes Mitchell

PRODUCER: Patricia Watt CO-PRODUCER: New York City Dance Alliance ASSOCIATE PRODUCER: Bronwen Carson DIRECTOR: Joe Lanteri

HONORARY COMMITTEE

Co-Chairs: Judith Jamison, Wendy Federman

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VIP PRIME SEATING \$425.00

6:00 VIP Red Carpet Cocktail Party, Prime 7:30 Performance Seating, Post Show VIP party with the Nominees, Recipients and Performers (All but \$100.00 is tax deductible)

***VIP PRIME SEATING DISCOUNT**

(available through APRIL 30, 2011) 20% OFF orders of 10+ tickets: \$340.00 10% OFF orders of 2-9 tickets: \$382.50 (All but \$100.00 is tax deductible)

GENERAL SEATING

\$150.00 (all but \$30.00 is tax deductible) \$75.00 (all but \$20.00 is tax deductible)

TICKETS: www.theastaireawards.org

Proceeds from The Fred and Adele Astaire Awards directly benefit:

The Douglas Watt Family Fund for the Performing Arts (a 501(c)(3) public charity): Provides dance and movement therapy for autistic and disabled children in NYC's District 75 Public Schools.

The NYC Dance Alliance Foundation (a 501(c)(3) public charity): Dedicated to empowering the next generation of professional dancers by advocating education and offering scholarships for secondary and college training.

INQUIRIES: www.theastaireawards.org

