Trenton Education Dance Institute’s 2nd Annual Fall Fundraiser Raised Over $20,000 for Students Enrolled in the TEDI Program

Hamilton, NJ (November 25, 2014) – The Trenton Education Dance Institute (TEDI) celebrated 26 years of changing Trenton Public School students’ lives on November 12th at their 2nd Annual Fall Fundraising Event. Held at Grounds For Sculpture in Hamilton, the event featured specialty dishes from the region’s top restaurants and establishments, a wine tasting, and a riveting live performance by some of TEDI’s talented dancers.

Proceeds of the event will directly benefit TEDI, a program of The Children’s Home Society of New Jersey (CHSofNJ). Donors supported the program through ticket purchases, raffle drawings, silent auction purchases and generous donations. Investors Bank purchased a costume sponsorship, and their contribution will provide TEDI performance costumes for the upcoming TEDI Event of the Year performance, to be held on Thursday, May 21, 2015. Richard Bilotti, President of TEDI, and his wife Katherine Hatton provided the beautiful venue, and many other friends and supporters worked feverishly and gave generously to ensure a successful event.

“Our TEDI dancers are truly remarkable,” said Pamela Cipriano, CHSofNJ Director of Corporate Development and Volunteeerism. Cipriano, who coordinated TEDI’s Fall Fundraiser, continued, “I am honored to plan this event each year for these talented students, and I am so proud of their dedication to the TEDI program and their education, and to their commitment to be positive role models for their peers.”

TEDI is an affiliate of the National Dance Institute, one of the nation’s most prestigious arts-in-education organizations. Both were founded by legendary New York City Ballet dancer Jacques d’Amboise, who believes that dance has the unique ability to engage children and motivate them to excel. The goal of the program is to teach young people critical life skills that will help them achieve their personal best. TEDI Students learn the importance of self-discipline, teamwork, concentration, cooperation, confidence and pride in personal achievement through a distinctive combination of dance, performance, and
curriculum-based educational materials. TEDI’s groundbreaking approach challenges students’ cognitive and physical abilities, while igniting their self-esteem.

If you are interested in learning more about TEDI, ways you can support this important program, or purchasing tickets to TEDI’s exciting Event of the Year performance or VIP Reception on Thursday, May 21, 2015, contact Denise Wentzler at 609-695-6274 x153 or dwentzler@chsofnj.org.

About The Children’s Home Society of New Jersey
The Children’s Home Society of New Jersey is a nonprofit child and family serving agency whose mission is to save children’s lives and build healthy families. Founded in 1894, the agency protects abused or neglected infants and at-risk children by insuring stable, permanent, and loving homes for each and every child it serves. All services are confidential and most are free. For more information, visit our website at www.chsofnj.org.

About Trenton Education Dance Institute
The TEDI program joined with The Children’s Home Society of New Jersey in 2010. TEDI teaches students the art and life lessons of dance that reinforce the skills needed for classroom success, and the skills that enable them to grow into productive adults. If your organization or school is interested in learning more about TEDI or featuring a TEDI demonstration or master class in your community, visit www.chsofnj.org or contact Yolanda Drislane at 609-620-1018 ext. 201.

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