

PTA Curriculum Enrichment Program

DANCE CHINA NY PERFORMANCE AT DARCEY

On Thursday, November 5, 2009, **Dance China NY**, America's premier traditional Chinese dance company, performed a spectacular show for Darcey preschoolers and kindergarteners. The Company dancers and musicians include internationally renowned artists from performance stages and academies throughout mainland China, Taiwan and the United States. DCNY's repertoire of traditional and contemporary folk and classical dances is known to weave a vibrant vision of China's ancient folk cultures across varied terrains of time and region. Noted for their powerful grace and contained elegance, Dance China NY performs regularly throughout the United States for audiences of all ages. The Company has toured to hundreds of cities across 26 states bringing the movements and rhythms of China to communities large and small. Each year, the Company performs at over 500 events and reaches an audience of over 150,000 people. This dance program, performed in full traditional Chinese outfits, introduced Darcey students to Chinese culture through language lessons, historical background, onstage demonstrations and audience interaction. The dances and narration illustrated and explained traits, customs and patterns of Chinese life. The children watched in awe and delight as the music and costumes came to life before their eyes. It was described by both staff and children alike as “awesome”; an authentic and wonderful cultural experience for all!

