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LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO: Mayor Matti Herrera Bower and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Jorge M. Gonzalez, City Manager

DATE: March 19, 2009

SUBJECT: Arts For Learning presents "Brilliance on the Beach"

As you know the City of Miami Beach and Cultural Arts Council contract with Arts For Learning to provide arts education programs in Miami Beach pre-schools, curriculum-based arts programs in our elementary and high schools, and after-school and summer camp arts classes at our schools and parks. To celebrate and showcase its seven-year history of programming in Miami Beach, Arts For Learning will present "Brilliance on the Beach" April 1 and 2 and the Miami Beach Botanical Garden.

"Brilliance on the Beach" will include samples of student performances, integrated learning units, and art pieces created from 2002 to the present. The exhibit will include photographs, paintings, sculptures and performance.

On Wednesday, April 1, at 9:30 a.m. and again at 3 p.m., Arts For Learning will host field trips to the exhibit for 120 current Miami Beach program participants. On Thursday, April 2, from 6 p.m. until 9 p.m., there will be an official "Opening Night," free and open to the public, featuring student drummers, art works and light refreshments in the Garden. I urge you to make time to celebrate our youths' "Brilliance on the Beach" April 1 and 2 at the Botanical Garden.

JMG/HMF/MAS/gf

C: Hilda M. Fernandez, Assistant City Manager
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