



Reach!

Summer Outreach
Teen Apprenticeship Dance Program
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***Reach* 2015 Open House gives teens a taste of summer dance program**

On Saturday, January 31, 2015, *Reach: Summer Outreach/Teen Apprenticeship Dance Program* will host its annual open house at Boston University's Dance Theater. The open house will give students (ages 13-18) and parents an opportunity to learn about the program. Students of all levels and dance backgrounds are welcome.

The free event will begin with a modern warm up and a jazz combination with Adrienne Hawkins, followed by a hip-hop class with Brian Washburn. After the class, *Reach* Program Coordinator Micki Taylor-Pinney will present an information session outlining *Reach*'s summer schedule and the purpose of the program. The summer 2015 dates are Monday – Friday, June 29 – July 31.

Newcomers will have the opportunity to meet many of *Reach*'s professional instructors as well as former teen apprentices. We will have video of the *Reach* company's past performances and photos available for viewing.

The event, which runs from 12–2 pm, will be held at the Boston University FitRec Center at 915 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, in room L 240.

Students who wish to attend may RSVP to budance@bu.edu or just show up on January 31. More information is available at <http://www.bu.edu/fitrec/recreation/dance-program/reach-summer-apprenticeship-program/>

ABOUT *Reach* - *Reach* brings teens from urban and suburban neighborhoods together for an intensive program exploring the artistry and discipline of dance while acquiring skills for employment and provides thousands of youth with a quality dance experience in communities with limited access to the arts. *Reach*'s participants spend three weeks taking class with professionals and collaboratively creating a 45 minute performance that showcases their diverse talents. The company then goes “on tour” for the next two weeks, bringing their high-energy performances to 1,500 youth in the Greater Boston Area. The audition is March 28. Full and partial scholarships are available.