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Local Student, Tapped For Dance Theatre Of Harlem Summer Program

Grand Rapids—Nylda Mark performs April 27 and 28 in Dance Fantastique at the Wealthy Theatre, she will do so with visions of things to come after her graduation from high school.

Mark has received a full scholarship to attend a six-week summer program at the Dance Theatre of Harlem.

"It covers every corner and every genre of dance," Mark said.

The program begins in July. Nylda will study classical ballet technique, pointe, partnering,



Nylda Mark

as well as modern, tap and African Dance.

She has been with the local Wealthy Theatre Contemporary ballet since 1999.

Associate Artistic Director Tassia Hooks credits Nylda's tenacity and hard work for her success.

"We are extremely proud of her and the way in which she has been able to overcome many obstacles," Hooks said.

The City High School student has been dancing since the age of six and will attend Western Michigan University in the fall to major in theatre.