



## GREETINGS FROM THE MAYOR



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Dear Friends:

I am pleased to have the opportunity to send greetings to everyone gathered at New York City Center for the Youth America Grand Prix Gala.

Dancers have been attracted to New York City for generations and are a vital part of our City's thriving cultural community. This competition is a wonderful way to introduce a new generation of dancers to the opportunities available in the Big Apple, and I am delighted to congratulate the scholarship winners and all the participants in YAGP. Your dedication to the art of dance and has brought you here this evening, and I wish you the very best in your endeavors.

In addition, I commend the dance professionals, judges, teachers and everyone associated with YAGP for making this competition and evening possible. On behalf of the City of New York, I recognize your commitment to dance education and the nurturing of the creative spirit in students who can learn so much from your accomplishments.

Please accept my best wishes for a wonderful evening and continued success.

Sincerely,

Michael R. Bloomberg  
Mayor