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**Announcing a benefit performance for Battery Drumline and World Dance Fusion at Tribeca Performing Arts Center (BMCC) on Wednesday June 30<sup>th</sup> 2004 at 7:00 pm in Manhattan, NY.**

The performance at BMCC's Tribeca Performing Arts Center is a fundraiser for Battery Drumline and World Dance Fusion. Battery Drumline, the first youth samba group in New York City, is a free music program that teaches children age 10-17 about Brazilian rhythms and culture through percussion and dance. Directors Polar Levine and Curtis Watts are accompanied by dance instructor Katy Barnhill, the artistic director and choreographer of World Dance Fusion-- a unique assortment of more than twenty cultural dance forms from Brazil, Central Asia, China, Congo, Cuba, the Dominican Republic, Ghana, Haiti, India, Russia, Spain, the Middle East, West Africa, and the United States, with ballet, jazz, and hip-hop. Her dance company will perform recent works with special guests, including Ballet Casquelourd, a New York based Congolese dance company.

Tickets are \$15 purchased in advance.

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