



# MAKING STEPS

NO JIVE  
PRODUCTIONS, INC  
NEWSLETTER

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## From the Desk of the President & CEO

I want to take this time to say **THANK YOU**. Your donations and support over the past years whether its been monetary or in-kind, you have made No Jive Productions, Inc. what it is today. An elite entertainment company that pervades quality and educational shows for our community.



Your donation went towards:

1. The “Open Yo Eyes” play, which will be held on September 18, 2004 at the Joseph Caleb Auditorium.
2. Purchasing our First No Jive Productions, Inc. Office in North Miami Beach.
3. The development of new educational shows for the community.
4. Participation in community affairs such as the Martin Luther King, Jr. Parade (Passing out brochures and seeking new up coming talent).
5. The development of an internship/community service program for the youth and young adults.

You have been a major part of our success and we look forward to your continuing support as we excel. Once again, **THANK YOU**.

IT'S BECAUSE  
OF YOU!  
THE REASON  
WHY WE ARE  
MAKING STEPS.

# SETTING THE STAGE

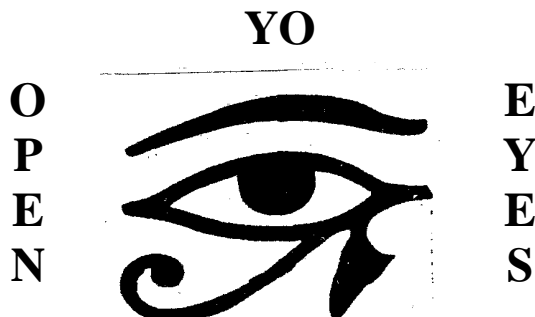
No Jive Productions, Inc., is at the stage where many non-profits organizations often find themselves having some success and needing to expand - *but the lack of funds and technological advancement hinders the organization to exceed beyond its potential.* No Jive Productions has been working with at-risk youth and young adults for the past eight years. During this time, four major programs have been produced at several locations such as the Joseph Caleb Auditorium, William H. Tuner, Brownville and Robert Renick schools. The programs produced goes as follows: (1) Back to School Jam – presentations are made during a tour of Dade and Broward County schools to kick off the new school year on a positive note; (2) Read to Succeed – a program designed to uplift and educate the youth by promoting the development of reading skills and help them understand the correlation between being able to read and being successful in life; (3) No Jive Show-down – an event that gives aspiring singers, dancers and magicians the opportunity to display their talent in front of a live audience; and (4) Open Yo Eyes – a series of monologues derived from interviews conducted with adolescents dealing with issues such as HIV/AIDS, drugs, sexual awareness, self-empowerment, and individuality. No Jive Productions, Inc., is making the necessary steps to move forward and conquer the fight to save our children, teens and young adults through the arts.

## PRE-ORDER YOUR TICKETS & SAVE BIG

**Show:** "Open Yo Eyes"  
**When :** September 18, 2004  
**Time:** 7:30pm  
**Where:** Joseph Caleb Auditorium  
**Tickets:** \$20.00  
**SAVING** —————> 15%  
**Tickets in advance:** \$17.00  
**This offer is good until August 13, 2004**

**Call NOW 305-944-7714**

*SUPPORT THE ARTS AND CALL*



## TESTIMONIALS

### "OPEN YO EYES" 2002

*The Village Client*

*"The crack addict in your play touched home with me. She gave me hope again. The beaten up wife gave me the will to end my abusive relationship with my husband of twenty-one years and seek out my own life, drug free."*

*Alicia Simpson, Camillus house*

*"Open Yo Eyes" touched me as a recovering person. It is an honor to know a young man such as Nial wants to encourage today's youth and young adults of the realities of society."*

*Bo-Griffen, Channel 6*

*"Awesome!"*

*Betty Bodie, DCPS Teacher*

*"Open Yo Eyes did just that, it opened your eyes!"*

*Cheryl Mizell, 99 Jamz*

*"Motivational and Informative!"*

*Ervin Smith, Opa-Locka Director of Community Development*

*"Open Yo Eyes was inspiring and uplifting"*

*John Stephen, Audience Member*

*"The gay scene in the play touched me the most, it let me know that it is ok to be me. Happy"*

*Fathiyyah McGill, Audience Member*

*"Simply Breath-Taking!"*

*Kareem Rile, Audience Member*

*"Educational."*

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED HELP US HELP OTHERS

No Jive Productions, Inc. receives its services off of the people who take the time out to volunteer their time to assist in our upcoming shows. We need to consider how we would benefit from volunteer work and convince ourselves to partake in volunteering. Also consider how others will benefit from volunteers. Our presence and assistance will make a difference. This should be all the convincing we need to get up, get out and **volunteer**.

### WHY VOLUNTEER

It's a way of **GIVING** and **RECEIVING**...

**Giving:**

- ❖ Your **TIME**
- ❖ Your **ENERGY**
- ❖ Your **SKILLS**

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**Receiving:**

- ❖ Increase Social Awareness
- ❖ Learn through Service
- ❖ Enjoy a smile
- ❖ Gain Self-Confidence
- ❖ Open yourself to New Ideas – Experiences – Adventures
- ❖ Discover Your Strengths and Talents
- ❖ Build a Sense of Independence
- ❖ Expand Your Social Circle – *Meet New Friends*

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#### Employment Opportunities

**Street Team Member**-Excellent opportunity for motivated individual to join our fundraising staff. Will make outbound calls to businesses asking them to place an ad in our program booklet for our upcoming show. Get 10% off of each ad you sale. (Commission base)

Make your own hours!  
Call 305-944-7714

## MARTIN LUTHER KING EVENT

# MLK 2004



#### QUOTE OF THE MONTH

“Once a task has begun, never leave until its done, Be they labor great or small do it well or not at all”

## THANKS FOR BELIEVING IN NO JIVE

THINK THRIFT  
CATCH MY THRIFT



Mr. Tiaunte Kelly



BETTY T. FERGUSON  
COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
DISTRICT 1

Ms. Betty T. Ferguson



South Florida's Online Source for Events

Ms. Cheryl Mizell



## NO JIVE PRODUCTIONS, INC.

**We are seeking Board Members for our upcoming term 2005-2006. We are in need of individuals within the community who want to preserve the arts.**

1. Regularly attends board meetings and important related meetings.
2. Makes serious commitment to participate actively in committee work.
3. Volunteers for and willingly accept assignments and complete them thoroughly and on time.
4. Stays informed about committee matters, prepares themselves for meetings, and review's and comment's on minutes and reports.
5. Gets to know other committee members and builds a collegial working relationship that contributes to consensus.
6. Is an active participant in the committee's annual evaluation and planning efforts.
7. Participates in fundraising for the organization).

*Contact Nial Martin, CEO if you would like to apply email nial@nojiveproductions.com*

### Board of Directors

Nial Martin  
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Secretary/Treasury  
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Board Member  
 Alicia R. Bodie  
Board Member

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 Cheryl Mizell  
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 Mr. Joseph Reed III, OM, Ms. Janet Williams, PR

### INTERN/FREELANCER

Charles-Lee-Howard, FMU  
 Project Coordinator

Mr. Willitone Petit  
 Project Coordinator

“OPEN YO EYES”

**GET TESTED!**

## SEND YOUR DONATIONS TODAY!

No Jive Productions, Inc., exemplifies how the performing arts can be used to enrich our lives. Our success has been made possible due to the funding by individuals who support this community based productions. None of these programs would be made possible without the ongoing support of the community and its sponsors. We continue to face the extraordinary ongoing challenges of raising the funds necessary to produce the programs that our communities have come to enjoy. This will be a formidable task, but with your contributions it could be made possible.

**ALL DONATIONS ARE TAX-DEDUCTIBLE**

Make your check or money order payable to:  
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 Miami, FL 33017