800 attend Flair Studio graduation

The elegant Baltimore Convention Center was the scene for Flair Studio of Mondawmin's largest graduation in its history of 12 years as a fashion institution.

Eight hundred guests witnessed the breathtaking ceremony, hostesses by directors of Flair Studio, Willia Bland and Andrea Bland as 79 beauties from throughout the Maryland area, ranging from 4-40 years of age, graciously received their certificates.

Flair Studio's self-development course have helped women and girls know themselves and maximize their assets in achieving personal success.

In response to the needs of the younger children, Flair's Dance Group was added in 1975, followed by an Annapolis Self - Development class in the spring of 1980.

Extending and enriching its work, the Flair Modeling Agency was licensed by the state of Maryland in 1981. Willia and Andrea Bland are committed to their personal approach to beauty which meets a broad variety of needs of black women. They are supported by a competent, dedicated staff of Flair models.

The June 7 afternoon event was inspiring and exciting as Flair Studio's ballet students performed choreographed dances to popular musicals, "The Wiz" and "Godspell".

Charm and modeling students displayed active sportswear, soft day dresses and evening and formal wear, which added an elegant dimension as a finishing touch.

As local and out-of-town guests enjoyed an appetizing lunch and dessert, Flair's professional models, Jania Moss, Dorothy Francis, Quianna Cooke, Ernestine Ward, Gwen Patillo, Nicole James, Candace Easterling, Andrea Bland, Lindae Massey (cover girl for July's issue of Metropolitan Magazine) Gwen Kellam Jim Coleman and guest model - designer Sandra Wilkens performed a mini fashion show, featuring creations from the Flair Collection.

Commentary was by former Flair model, Carolyn White. Music for the entire affair was provided by Greg Simmons.

Tony Edges, Flair's ballet and exercise instructor and his assistant, Frances Stevenson of Western High choreographed and produced a total of ten dances for the young dancers from the beginner to the advanced levels.

Costumes for all performers were designed by Flair model, Gwen Patillo and parent, Betty Simmons.

Flair dance graduates on the beginner level are: Deneen Dubose, Shantruce Griffin, Denise Hamlin, Deneen Hamlin, Kia Kellam, Yolanda Purnell, Rubetta Ramsey, Pricilla Smothers, Terri Taylor, Nahketah Turner, Zenika Turner and Cloteie Wilson.

Intermediate graduates are: Lindella Anderson, Shavonne Dyer, Taryn Grissom, Nicole Grissom, Felicia Shird, Vistula Whiting.

Advanced graduates are Kristi Allen, Donna Briggs, Danee Hamlin, Mona Hanson, Candy and Chrisey Johnson, Hope Jones, Nicole Simmons and Sherrelle Smith.

Flair's charm and modeling student's intense course is designed to create a feeling of self-esteem and awareness and positive self-development within the students.

Classes cover poise and etiquette, speech, body toning, skin care, make-up techniques, wardrobe planning, hair styling, manicuring and high fashion modeling techniques. Many graduates will continue on with the studio in an apprenticeship in modeling.

Teen graduates are Tonya Ballard, Michele Bowman, Donna Brown, Tonia Burwell, Chante Carter, Cynthia Crawley, Erma Douglas, Melissa and Veronica Easterling, Linda Gregory, Tyrene Gibson Martin, Tatia Gordon, Kim Goodwin, Crystal and Robin Ingram, Nikki Johnson, Janice Owens, Lisa Pierce, Shannon Sands, Tonya Smith, Toye Sykes, Althea Scales, Kelly Thompson, Teena Vaughn, Judy Warwick, Janine Wise and Jackie Woodard.

BALLET AND TEEN CHARM GRADS of Flair Studio are (L to R): Danee Hamlin, Chrisey Johnson, Nicole Simmons, Candy Johnson, Sherelle Smith, Selene Williamson, Cindy Pounds and Carolyn Lassegne.

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GRADUATION GUEST SPEAKER (and awarder of diplomas) Senator Clarence Mitchell is pictured with co - directress of the studio Willia Bland.

Honored guest and speaker was State Senator Clarence Mitchell, who's own daughter, Lisa Mitchell, graduated from Flair in 1976. Senator Mitchell praised Flair for its strength in the community as a positive and motivation institution.

Senator Mitchell, smiling proudly, shook hands with every graduate as he handed out certificates. Assisting him was Mr. Joseph Simms, director of the Stanton Community Center in Annapolis, Md., where the other branch of Flair Studio is housed.

Lovely graduates wore flowing white gowns, as they were escorted by four handsome uniformed members of Northwestern High's ROTC.

A single white, long stemmed carnation, wrapped with purple satin streamers was carried by all the beautiful young ladies. Mounting the stage, each graduate performed a royal curtsey before the large audience.

Adult graduates are Wilhemenia Burris, Sherrie Darden, Sharon Hines, Jacqueline Jordan and Mary Wilson.

Annapolis graduates are Crystal Beaver, Beverly Brice, Rhonda Coates, Terri and Tyra Dunscomb, Stacey Gaskins, Angela Green, Marie Johnson, Rhonee Lowe, Tina Maynard, Cindy Pounds, Sherri Simms, Andrea Smith, Janelle Taylor, Traleane Wells, Selene Williamson and Regina Wright.

ANNAPOLIS FLAIR STUDIO INSTRUCTOR Gwen Kellam (L), is pictured with graduates (L to R): Jackie Jordan, Linda Gregory, Jackie Woodard, Tyrene Gibson Martin, Janine Wise and Cynthia Crawley. Far (R), is Andrea Bland, co - directress, Flair Studio.

Chi Psi Awards

The Chi Psi Sigma Fraternity, Alpha Chapter, will hold its annual Dinner and awards on Friday, June 26, 1981, at 7:00 p.m.

High school students who have excelled in business subjects at Dunbar, Douglass, Walbrook and Forest Park will be awarded gold keys and the best all around student will receive the cash award.

Other awards will be given to the small business man of the year; and the fraternity's man of the year.

Talented Teen

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Mrs. Carl Gregory Brooks of Baltimore and was sponsored by Ross Hair Center.

Judging the pageant were The Honorable Judge Robert Bell, Mrs. Jessica Ivey, dance specialist, Douglass High School; Dr. Jesse Paul Clay, Budget and Research Officer, Howard University; Mrs. Celonia Walden, trustee at Howard Community College and Commissioner of the Howard County Arts; Seaton White, staff writer, Baltimore News American; Marvin Brown, lead singer of the Soft Tones; Mrs. Willa Bland, director, Flair Studio and Yours Truly.

All of the contestants were sponsored by various businesses or by family and or friends.

Sponsors included Mrs. Jean Owens, principal, Douglass High; Charles Brown, Joseph Chapman, VFW Post 8509, Claudine Pool, David G. Farlow, John F. Kaminoki, Leonard Steinberg; Roxenne McCullers Carter, Irene Mosby, George L. Randolph, Thomas E. Epps Jr., Mrs. Vegenes Gluright and friends, the Green family and friends, Juan S. Chanis, Robert Branch and C. Haser's.

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