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Alvin Ailey founded his world class dance company in 1958 and nine years later started a school of dance which this night celebrated its 50th anniversary - as a part of the Ailey Spirit Gala, the annual fund raiser for scholarships, like the one Troy Powell, a dancer and choreographer received, the audience enjoyed Testimony, a ballet choreographed following a young boy's journey from the schoolyard to the main stage.

The movement included Ailey dancers of all age groups - from the youngest up to the present day troupe - representing a generation of performers now and into the future.

The benefit honored the Doris Duke Charitable Foundation for its longtime commitment to the Ailey organization - Actress and producer Lorraine Toussaint, the Co-Chair, accompanied her daughter, an Ailey student.

Over \$1 million was raised to support Ailey's extensive educational and training programs including AileyCamp and scholarships to The Ailey School.

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