

THE SISTER THEA BOWMAN
Black Catholic
Educational Foundation

Eleventh Annual
Scholarship Dinner



Celebrating our Students and Honoring

MR. WYNTON MARSALIS

*Thursday, April 19, 2007
Heinz Field, East Club Lounge*



Sister Thea Bowman, FSPA, was the granddaughter of a slave and a member of the Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration. Filled with joy, song, and spirit, she would often remind those around her that "We are all beautiful children of God." Sister Thea brought hope to her people wherever she went and spent much of her life urging those with means to help her people through education.

Addressing the Catholic Bishops at Seton Hall University in June of 1989, she challenged them to support young African Americans through Catholic education. Earning a doctoral degree in literature at Catholic University, she knew the opportunities open to young people who were fortunate enough to receive a college education.

With this in mind she came together with others to support and develop The Sister Thea Bowman Black Catholic Educational Foundation in 1989. The mission of this foundation is to select those African Americans in need and offer them the opportunity for a better life through Catholic higher education.

Since 1989 the foundation has successfully graduated more than seventy-five young African Americans from Catholic colleges and universities. The Foundation now supports twelve students, among them five African-American single mothers and their children.

Dr. John E. Murray, Jr.

*President of The Sister Thea Bowman
Black Catholic Educational Foundation*

Cordially invites you to attend

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Including a special presentation of the
Sister Thea Bowman Legacy Award to:

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Cocktails and Silent Auction 5:30 p.m.
Dinner 6:30 p.m.

Mistress of Ceremonies
Marilyn Brooks
Medical Editor, WTAE-TV

Entertainment following dinner:
LaRoche College Dance Theater
A Contemporary Ballet – "Move On Up A Little Higher"

RSVP by April 5, 2007