

DARRYL RECEIVES AWARD FOR ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE ARTS

The Johnson Preparatory School, a 17 year old Afrocentric preschool and elementary school, located in Brooklyn, N.Y., presented Darryl Lacy with an award as recognition for his achievements in the arts.

This award was presented during an "Extravaganza Luncheon" held at Antovich Furs on Sunday, January 27, 1991 to assist the school in raising money to continue *quality* education.

Daniel Antonovich, proprietor of the fur room, also received an award for hosting the benefit. A fur fashion show featuring model/Actress Shannah V. Braton followed the award ceremony. A fur coat was raffled off during this portion of the show.

The program also featured singer/actor Darren Frazier, who delighted a capacity-filled audience of staff members, parents and friends with several musical selections. Darren starred in "To Be Young, Gifted and Black", Darryl's directorial debut in 1984.

Ann Thompson-Sretching, coordinator for the event, described Darryl as "young, gifted and Black" and remarked: "Mr. Lacy has used his enormous writing skills to propel him into the privileged world of the legitimate stage. His second project, "Sister" and "The Church Fight" were considered some of the best Black Off-Broadway plays of the Decade."

Mrs. Thompson-Sretching also commented that Darryl is very interested in helping children of the 90's.

Ayanna Johnson, president of The Johnson Preparatory School, presented Darryl with his award after he performed a dramatization of "Grassroots" by Malcolm X. ■