



**TONY AWARD WINNING 'BILLYS'  
OF *BILLY ELLIOT THE MUSICAL*  
TO BE HONORED WITH A MEMORABILIA DONATION  
AND HANDPRINT CEREMONY AT  
PLANET HOLLYWOOD TIMES SQUARE  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26 AT 5:30 PM**

**WHO: David, Trent and Kiril jointly won the 2009 Tony Award Best Actor in a Musical!**

**DAVID ALVAREZ** (Billy). Born to Cuban parents in 1994, he started ballet at the age of eight in his native Montreal. His family has lived in New York City since 2006, when he won a full scholarship to study classical ballet at the American Ballet Theatre's Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis School. With ABT, David has danced featured roles in *Sleeping Beauty* and *The Nutcracker*. He also studies piano on scholarship at the 92<sup>nd</sup> Street Y School of Music.

**TRENT KOWALIK** (Billy) is making his Broadway debut. He previously performed the role of Billy on London's West End. He is the winner of national and regional dance titles under the direction of Dorothy Medico, Dorothy's School of Dance, Bellmore, NY, and five-time undefeated National Step Dancing Champion and World Champion under the direction of Sean Reagan, Inishfree School of Irish Dance. Big hugs and thanks to family, friends and teachers who helped him find his "electricity." Visit [TrentKowalik.com](http://TrentKowalik.com).

**KIRIL KULISH** (Billy) started ballet at age five. He was the winner of the Youth America Grand Prix International World Ballet Competition (YAGP) for the past two consecutive years. He is the National Ballroom Dance Champion in the Junior Division for the last two years. He was also the youngest male dancer admitted to the San Diego Academy of Ballet Junior Company. In addition, he is also an accomplished concert pianist and made his international debut in Cordoba. He loves football, basketball, tennis and skateboarding and is excited to perform as Billy.

**WHAT: David Alvarez, Trent Kowalik, Kiril Kulish** will be at **Planet Hollywood Times Square** to promote *Billy Elliot the Musical* with a memorabilia donation and handprint ceremony in the restaurant's main dining room. - - *The memorabilia and mold of their handprints will be displayed in the Broadway Room at Planet Hollywood Times Square.*

**BILLY ELLIOT THE MUSICAL** - - is the new show that has captured Broadway's heart, delighted the critics and swept the awards—winning ten 2009 Tony Awards® including Best Musical. Called "**EXTRAORDINARILY UPLIFTING**" by *Time Out New York* and "**INTOXICATING**" by *The New York Times*, **BILLY ELLIOT** is a joyous, exciting and feel-good celebration of one boy following his heart and making his dreams come true. [www.BillyElliotBroadway.com](http://www.BillyElliotBroadway.com)

**WHERE:** Planet Hollywood Times Square - - 1540 Broadway (45<sup>th</sup> Street)

**WHEN:** Wednesday, August 26, 2009 at 5:30 pm - - **YOUR COVERAGE IS REQUESTED AT 5:15 PM**

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