

## **Booker T. Washington High School for the Performing and Visual Arts Receives Accolades for 2008-09 School Year**

The 2008-09 school year put the Booker T. Washington High School for the Performing and Visual Arts (BTWHSPVA) into the limelight more than ever. It was designated an Exemplary High School by the Texas Educational Agency. The 2009 senior class received over \$9M in college scholarships. Finally, BTWHSPVA was ranked 187 by *Newsweek* as one of the top 1500 schools in the United States. The ranking was based on the success of the school's advanced placement program, and this was the first year the BTWHSPVA has been ranked.

The BTWHSPVA is a vital addition to the Downtown community as an esteemed educational institution and vital refuge for arts education. **DOWNTOWN**DALLAS would like to congratulate the BTWHSPVA on their recent merits and thank them for everything they provide for our Downtown.