



## Wendy Hilliard Gymnastics Foundation

On behalf of the Wendy Hilliard Gymnastics Foundation, we wish you all a happy and healthy holiday as we look forward to 2022!

Thank you for your continued support and generosity. We've had quite a year - enjoy our recap of highlights below.

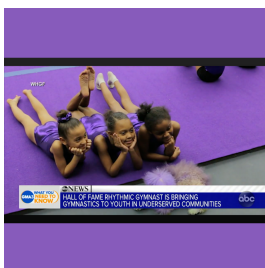
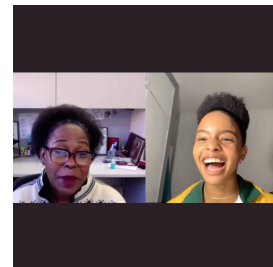
Sincerely,  
Wendy

# Highlights from 2021



**JANUARY:** Our [community classes](#) in Harlem and Detroit went virtual, while our competitive teams kept training at local sports clubs: Chelsea Piers, Uptown Sports, and CAVU.

**FEBRUARY:** For the 6th consecutive [Black Gymnasts in History](#) retrospective, we interviewed athletes for the first time and also featured international athletes, including Olympians [Cait Rooskrantz](#) (South Africa) and [Danusia Francis](#) (Jamaica).



**MARCH:** NYC practices returned to the Harlem Armory and the WHGF was featured on [Good Morning America](#).

**APRIL:** The WHGF announced [four new board members](#): Andy Doctoroff, Jeannine Gant, Dimitrius Hutcherson, and Tom Sherry.



**MAY:** We launched the "[I'm the Next Simone Biles](#)" campaign.

**JUNE:** Five [WHGF athletes competed at nationals](#): Kaya Beckles, Phoenix Britt, ZaQuae Carter, BJ Mensah, and Ty-la Morris - ZaQuae won the gold in Tumbling and BJ made the Junior National Team.



**JULY:** An unforgettable Tokyo Olympics, and WHGF athletes [spoke to NBC](#) in support of Simone Biles. Plus, the WHGF hosted a summer gymnastics camp.

**AUGUST:** WHGF athletes received scholarships to attend FlipFest and Woodward Gymnastics Camp!



**SEPTEMBER:** Wendy was inducted into the World Acrobatics Society's Hall of Fame and named the recipient of their 2021 [Lifetime Achievement Award](#).

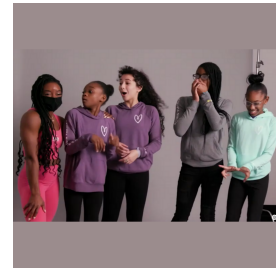
**OCTOBER:** Jordan Chiles and Simone Biles gave the WHGF a

shoutout on [The Kelly Clarkson Show](#) and a donation; WHGF Detroit athletes attended the G.O.A.T. tour courtesy of Crain's Detroit and the Detroit Pistons; and WHGF Harlem resumed (since March 2020) our on-site community gymnastics program at the Harlem Armory.



**NOVEMBER:** WHGF Scholarship athlete BJ Mensah was the top U.S. finisher (13th) at the World Age Group Championships in Azerbaijan. WHGF Harlem athletes attended the G.O.A.T. tour courtesy of Athleta.

**DECEMBER:** PEOPLE magazine featured [WHGF NYC athletes getting a surprise from Simone Biles and Athleta](#) at the Gold Over America Tour. TIME magazine quoted WHGF athlete Ty-la Morris in their [Athlete of the Year](#) issue featuring Simone Biles.



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