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## CELEBRATING DISABLED SURVIVORS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE WITH DAY OF PAMPERING ON MOTHER'S DAY, May 8

Massages, Manicures and a kid's talent show offer a pop-up party at Home Studios in Union Square honoring brave moms

NEW YORK - On May 8, 2016, one hundred women and children will be escorted from various safe houses or housing facilities across NYC into a warm and welcoming event created just for them on Mother's Day. SpreadtheSparkle.org has teamed up with BarrierFreeLiving.org for the third event of its kind, honoring people and starting traditions on holidays, breaking cycles and creating lasting memories.

The women will be welcomed by a Femme! dance performance by Bernadette Pleasant who will then give a brief workshop about movement and the influence of dance as healing. A light lunch including tea and desserts will be served by a team of area volunteers, most of whom have a special reason for participating in the festivities.

"Our holiday events become a fulfilling day of fun and joy for all of our extraordinary helpers, who offer their precious energy and skills to serve on days when many are otherwise occupied," says co-founder Abbey LeVine

Participants will be treated to professional chair massages and customized manicures by volunteers as well as an all-kid talent show led by Scott Hess of Barrier Free Living who will be making an appearance as our beloved host of the show. As a surprise, SisterHood Purses will present the women with purses filled with jewelry, cosmetics and other wonderful gifts as a gesture of pampering as they leave the event.

"Sparkle events are pure magic. I'm particularly excited about the Mother's Day event because it is focusing on pampering women. It's going to be an amazing day for all," adds co-founder Brenda Fredericks.

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For more information go to: <a href="http://www.spreadthesparkle.org">http://www.bflnyc.org/</a> Location: Home Studios, 873 Broadway (b/t 17th and 18th Streets), from 11:30-3:30pm