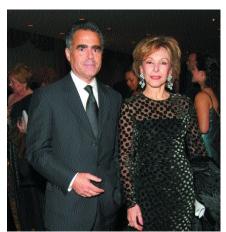
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## ROLEX One World Gala -A Stunning Success

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Rolex CEO Allen Brill and Yolanda Santos Garza



Patricia Kennedy and Jami Baldwin



Blu, Kokin and Mercedes Ellington



Jaime Perez, Carooline Lieberman and John Wegorzewski



Chita Rivera with Alex Dube



Liza Minnelli with Chita Rivera



Denise Cobb and Robert Chute





Janice Becker and Fe Fendi



Michelle Herbert



ABT's Gennadi Saveliev and Patricia Kennedy



Ballet de Monterrey

Rolex and its CEO and President Allen Brill backed a winner once again as presenters of the 21st Career Transitions for Dancers Jubilee entitled One World, A Spectacular Global celebration. 21st Anniversary co-chairs Patricia Kennedy and Anka Palitz, event chairs Denise Cobb, Yolanda Santos Garza, Janice Becker, and David Goldring packed City Center for a dazzling extravaganza featuring dancers from twenty companies, stars such as Liza Minnelli, James Earl Jones, Bebe Nuewirth, Jane Powell and Mercedes Ellington, the New York debut of the Ballet de Monterey and a sneak peek at a new ballet Puerto Rico with a dazzling score by Jazz genius Eric Lewis commissioned by Patricia Kennedy for her longtime friends The Joffrey Ballet.

Legendary Broadway star Chita Rivera received the Rolex Award for life-

time achievement from old pal Liza Minnelli. Upon receiving the custom made diamond studded Rolex Oyster Watch, she confessed to having lost her own Rolex 3 times getting it back and finally losing it forever but promised to hang on to this one quipping "I've been blinged". The Career Transition for Dancers Award created by Baccarat went to the Rudolf Nureyev Dance Foundation.

At the star-studded gala Anniversary Waltz with the Dancers following the performance at the Hilton, a live auction helped to raise \$1.21 million for Career Transitions for Dancers work to help dancers create a new career when dance is no longer an option