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2011 Distinguished Young Woman of Florida Chosen

Winter Garden, FL, January 22, 2011— The 2011 Distinguished Young Women of Florida program reached its climax on Saturday night, when \$15, 650 in cash college scholarships were distributed at the Distinguished Young Women showcase held at the Garden Theatre. Caitlin Mosley, of Pensacola, was selected the 2011 Distinguished Young Woman of Florida, receiving a \$5000 scholarship presented by DRB Benefits. Caitlin also received the Overall Talent Award for her extreme martial arts performance, which included a \$750 scholarship, **and a \$500 scholarship that accompanied her award for Overall Self-Expression presented by Dermazone Solutions' Kara Vita.** Kelsey Frederickson received the 1st Honoree award, with \$2500 in scholarships for the honor. Kelsey also received a preliminary talent award for her piano performance and a preliminary scholastics award, both presenting her with \$300 each. Kelsey was also awarded a preliminary fitness award and a \$200 scholarship with it. Nicole Chmura, the 2nd Honoree, received \$1500 for her title, along with preliminary awards as follows: Overall Fitness, \$500; and preliminary talent, \$300, for her rhythmic gymnastics performance.



Caitlin Mosley, Florida's
Distinguished Young Woman 2011



Left to Right: David Billsborough, of DRB Benefits, flagship sponsor; Mr. Mosley; Caitlin Mosley, 2011 Distinguished Young Woman of Florida; Mrs. Mosley; Martha Cooper, Caitlin's host mother while in Winter Garden; Mayor of Winter Garden.

\$300 and a preliminary self-expression award for \$200. Melissa Vazquez received the Spirit of Distinguished Young Women award for \$500. Heather Brunges received \$300 for her preliminary interview award, and Lillian Podlog received a \$300 award for her preliminary scholastics honor. MeLeah Morris, of Orange County, received a \$200 scholarship for her preliminary fitness award. In addition, all contestants meeting minimum academic requirements won multiple college-granted scholarships including four years' tuition to Troy University.

Paige Huston took home awards for her Be Your Best Self presentation (\$300), Overall Interview (\$750), and preliminary self-expression (\$200). The Overall Scholastics Award for \$750 went to Vanessa Markgraf, presented by Florida Power and Light (FPL). Vanessa also received a preliminary interview award for



Caitlin Mosley with all FDYW Participants which are, from right to left: Julie Greenberg, Vanessa Markgraf, Paige Huston, Aliya Chaudhry, Lillian Podlog, Mary-Thomas Hart, Karolyne Daudin, Kyrie Foster, MeLeah Morris, Caitlin Mosley, Florida's Distinguished Young Woman, 2011, Kelsey Frederickson, Heather Brunges, Brittany Wiggs, Rebekah Beckham (also a Pace High School Student), Marybeth Clark, Nicole Chmura, Melissa Vasquez.

Caitlin will represent Florida at the Distinguished Young Women of America program in Mobile, Alabama, where contestants from all 50 states will compete for over \$50,000 in college scholarships during the final weekend of June. For more information about the Distinguished Young Women program, visit their web site at www.distinguishedyw.org.