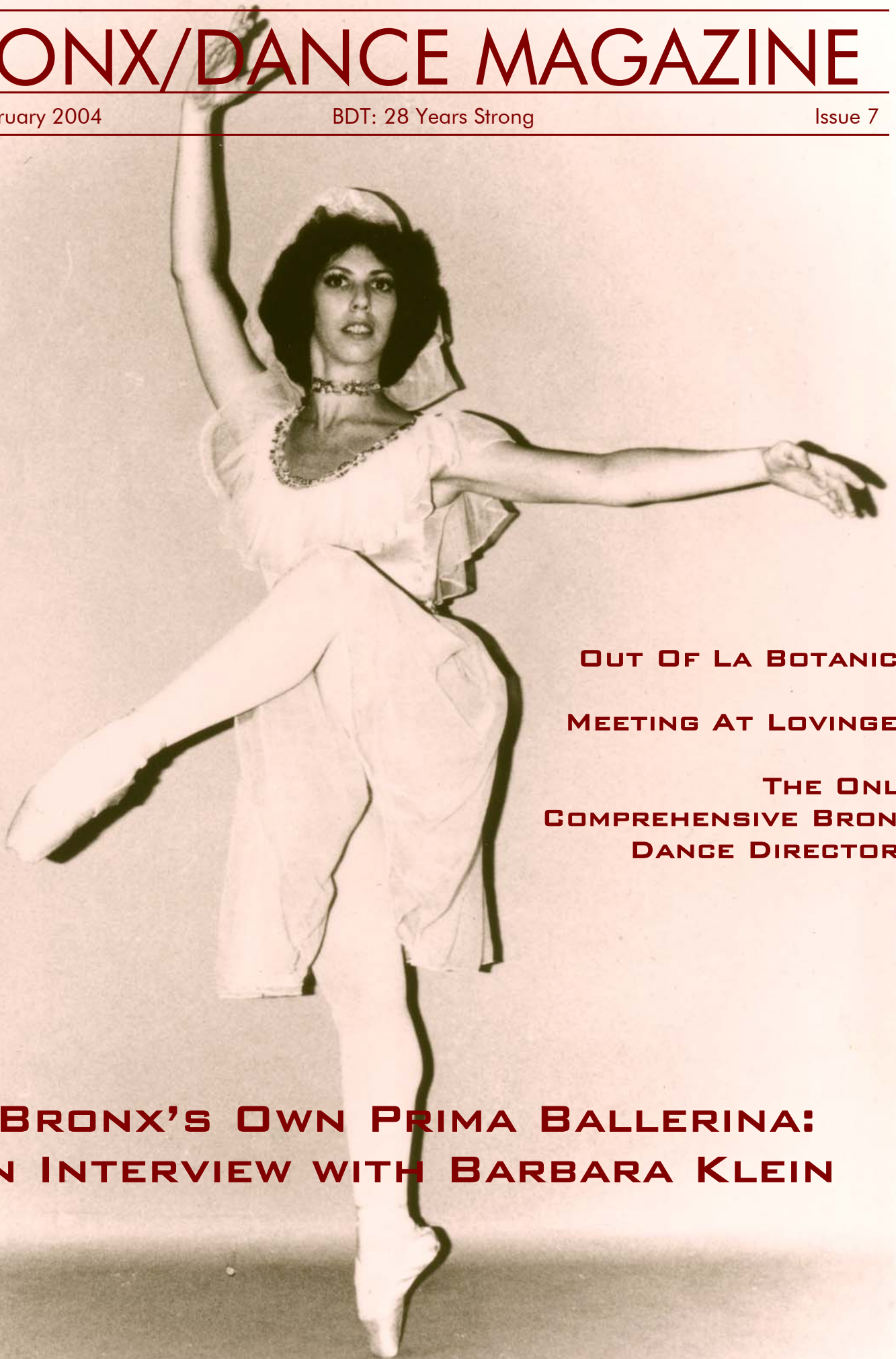

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Letter from the Editor

Happy New Year! We're bringing in the New Year in a great way by once again digging into the Bronx dance landscape with an interview of Barbara Klein, Artistic Director and Founder of the Bronx Dance Theatre. Ms. Klein was generous enough to spend some quality time with me and share her thoughts about what it means to bring up a cultural institution that has survived 27 years with the support of her husband and Executive Director, Neil Goldstein, friends, family and students. Her recollections are a lesson to anyone trying to keep the dance flame alive in this great borough.

Also inside this issue you will find some reflections from Shelia Maldonado on the *Out of La Botanica* concert presented by Papatian this past November at BAAD!. Thank you to Jane Gabriels for providing the article. This article reminds me of the need of a Bronx responsive critical eye to help the process of building a strong dance community.

Our last coalition meeting was hosted by Dante Alberti and the crew of the Lovinger Theater. The dance coalition was treated with great respect and generosity and was given a tour of the wonderful facilities. We are looking forward to continuing to develop a relationship between the Lovinger and the coalition and are filled with great hopes about the possibilities.

Have a great couple of months as we all leap into the next time around.

-Arthur Aviles, Editor-in-Chief

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