

# **Getting to Know: LIHSA's Co-Presidents**

LIHSA is extraordinarily lucky to have strong student leadership with three extraordinary young women leading student council. In this week's blog, we have an opportunity to know: Colleen Compitello. Shaakirah Nazim-Harris, and Giannina Maresca.







Colleen Compitello

Shaakirah Nazim-Harris

Giannina Maresca

## **Important End of Year Dates!**

It's a busy time of year. Please make note of these important end-of-year dates:

Monday, May 10: In-Studio Dance Works in Progress

Friday, May 21: National Honor Society Virtual Inductions (click here for flyer)

Monday, May 24, Tuesday, May 25, Wednesday, May 26 NOCTI Testing. Students will sit for the NOCTI Exams, an Industry Assessment aligned to their current CTE Programs at LIHSA.

Thursday, May 27 - Friday, May 28 No Classes

Thursday, May 27: Live Open House click here for registration link)

June 1 - 14: Regular Class Schedule

<u>Wednesday</u>, June 9: Filming Senior Speeches and Scholarship Recipients. Recipients will be notified by May 14. (No Make-Up Date).

<u>Friday, June 11</u>: Filming for Pre-Recorded Senior Walk. Seniors: Bring Your Cap and Gown. (No Make-Up Date).

Monday, June 14: Last Day of Classes.

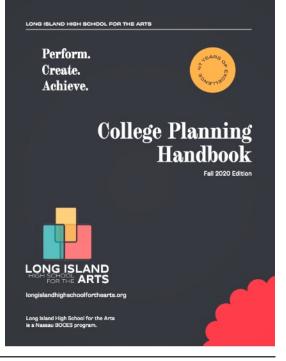
<u>Tuesday, June 15</u>: Certificate Ceremony (<u>click here to read letter from Nassau</u> <u>BOCES</u>)

Saturday, June 19: Virtual Spring Festival (click here for flyer)

## **Reminders for Juniors**

Peter Wilson's residency for LIHSA Juniors continued this week, focusing on more important aspects of the college application and selection process. Juniors, please remember to schedule to schedule your meeting with Ms. Stencel <u>mstencel@nasboces.org</u> if you haven't already.

Also, please review the <u>College</u> <u>Planning Handbook available on our</u> <u>website</u>.



## In the Classroom: Mime Lessons



Joshua Wynter's artistic residency has continued, teaching students the art of mime. To learn the power of the physical body, he advised students to focusing on clicking, a fixed point, and learning the different walks. They further focused on the size and location of an object, ensuring to keep it consistent while engaging their muscles.

### In the Classroom: Artist Residency with Megan McCormick

Our Collaboration & Creativity class enjoyed an artist residency with Megan McCormick. Megan McCormick is a music educator, entertainer, composer, and administrator, known for her high energy performances on stage and in the classroom. Recent musical theater compositions and arrangements were included in such productions as *Gnit, Twelfth Night,* and *Desire Under the Elms.* She focused on song structure, lyric analysis, and creation of lyrics including the verse, chorus, bridge and hook.



### In the Classroom: Artist Residency with Amanda Selwyn

Amanda Selwyn (Artistic Director/Choreographer) founded Amanda Selwyn Dance Theatre/Notes in Motion in 2000 and in twenty seasons, has directed over 75 productions, developed a network of artists, and created the curriculum for Notes in Motion Outreach Dance Theatre's arts-in-education programs. She recently worked with our Artist Management students, talking about strategies and tactics to achieve their goals/ and how to map a career and business plan.



### A \$5,000 Grant!

LIHSA is grateful to the New York Community Bank Foundation for their generous grant of \$5,000. This funding will go toward a new recording studio to support our new Sonic Arts CTE program that will



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debut next year. We are planning for a 21<sup>st</sup> century studio space that will allow a thoughtful pedagogical approach to teaching this program. The funding will support a recording space, individual student workspaces, a space to house the instruments that will be used in upcoming sessions, and more. The space will be flexible to enable recordings in multiple mediums not currently offered at LIHSA including voice overs and podcasts. The grant will go directly to cover essential equipment and materials like installing a control room desk, headphones, mixers, monitors, and cables.

### Welcome to John Marean

This week we welcomed John Marean into the Film Production class. Mr. Marean completed an artistic residency at LIHSA in the fall semester with the Performing Arts students. John Marean is the co-owner of Intention Films and Media. He graduated with his MFA in Technical Design and Production from the Yale School of Drama. He taught in the NYC DOE for many years, recently retiring as Technical Director at LaGuardia High School. He has worked as a Director of Photography, Assistant Camera, Grip, Gaffer, onset Sound Recordist and Production Manager.



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