

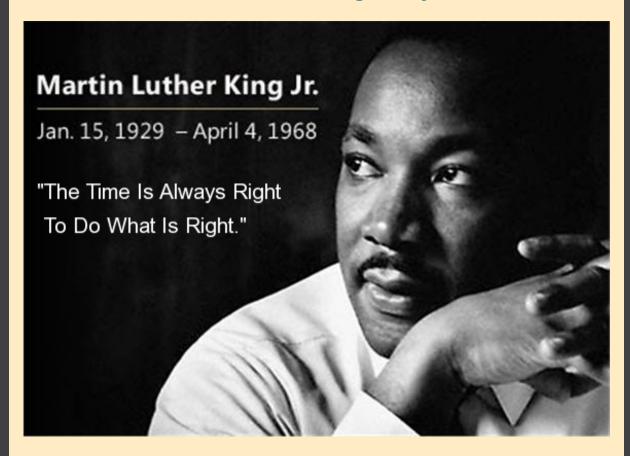
# Perform. Create. Achieve.

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# From the Principal's Desk for our LIHSA Families

January 14, 2022

#### Martin Luther King Jr. Day



Monday, January 17 is Martin Luther King Jr. Day. It is an official day of service and celebrates the life and legacy of this Civil Rights Leader who lived his life in service to others.

This day gives way for an opportunity for us to not only give back, but to reflect on both positive strides we've made in our communities, but also on the work that still needs to be done to unravel systemic injustices and create a better future for all. If you think bus dismissals aren't fun, you clearly haven't gotten to go through this daily process with Ms. Giglio, LIHSA's Assistant Principal. This new blog will feature news, ideas, or thoughts from a LIHSA Student who Ms. Giglio has gotten to share a couple of minutes with - even during the hectic time of bus dismissal.

First up: Jiana Gasazza, a Senior from Half Hollow Hills.

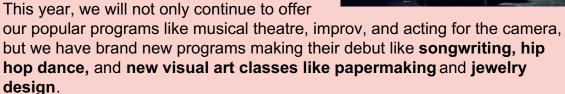
Click here to read what's new with Jiana



#### **Summer Programs at LIHSA: Register Now!**

Learn, grow and, most of all, HAVE FUN at a variety of arts-focused Summer Programs taking place at Long Island High School for the Arts in Syosset this summer.

All programs are for Grades 7-12 (unless otherwise noted in the course description). Class sizes are limited to enhance the experience of each camper, so **register early** for best selection.



<u>Click here to see our full selection of classes and to register Or click here to</u> download our full brochure.

Camp runs from June 27 - July 22. You can choose to enroll in a one week offering or combine several to be on campus for all four weeks! Programs take place from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Tuition price is listed with each course.

Please contact <u>Jason Steinberg</u> if you have any questions.

#### **Alum News: Shawnée Warfield**

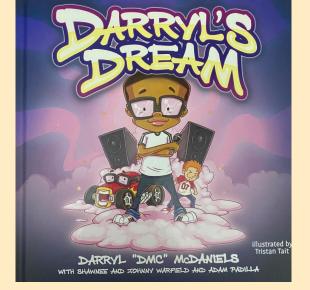
Congratulations to LIHSA Class of 1991 alum Shawnée Warfield (nee Pelzer) on collaborating with Darryl "DMC" McDaniels to write Darryl's Dream, a children's book that was released this week. They hope that this book will be a source of light and inspires the DREAM inside all of us!



<u>Darryl "DMC" McDaniels was</u> interviewed about this new release.

Shawnée was a Dance major when she attended LIHSA and shared that she has "fond memories of my time at the school. All of my educational opportunities have prepared me for experiences like this."

She has a message for current LIHSA students, "I want the students to know that I had dreams just like them when I was in high school. Continue to dream big and work hard and everything is possible!"



#### **Announcements:**

#### "Regents Week" will be a "Normal Week"

For families who have been through the high school cycle previously, you'll no doubt remember that "Regents Week" in January typically disrupted normal school routines. Please note, mostly Long Island high schools are not holding Regents this year and we expect that week to be "business as usual" for most of our students.

### **New Semester Begins January 31!**

We are looking forward to the start of the next semester on January 31. Here are two important reminders:

- There will be <u>no schedule changes</u> after the start of classes. Please choose your classes thoughtfully and intentionally in consultation with Ms. Stencel.
- If you haven't already had your meeting with Ms. Stencel to choose your spring term classes, please schedule your appointment as soon as possible.

# **COVID-19 Quarantine and Isolation updates**

Nassau BOCES will implement changes regarding quarantines and isolations from New York State Department of Health. <u>Please click to read the new protocol</u>.

# **Opportunities for Students**

#### NYSCA/NYFA Artist as Entrepreneur Program in Huntington, NY

Artists of all disciplines who live and work in the Greater Long Island area are encouraged to apply to participate in this free entrepreneurial program, taking

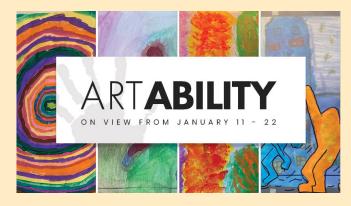
place in March 2022. Presented by NYFA in partnership with the New York State Council on the Arts' State & Local Partnerships program and Huntington Arts Council, in collaboration with the consortium of Long Island Arts Councils

# **Art in the Community**

# Artability: AN INCLUSIVE EXHIBITION CELEBRATING ARTISTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Reception: January 15, 2022 2-4pm

The Spirit of Huntington Art
Center is pleased to
present ArtABILITY: an



Inclusive Exhibition Celebrating Artists with Special Needs at the world-famous Agora Gallery, a contemporary fine art gallery located in the heart of Chelsea's Arts District in New York City. The exhibition will feature the work of forty individuals from Long Island living with various physical and cognitive impairments. The exhibition will be on view from January 11 – 22, with a reception on Saturday, 1/15 from 2 - 4 pm.

The exhibition celebrates the power of creative expression and serves as a testament to the ability of the arts to encourage accessibility and inclusion. The artwork, curated and selected from over 250 pieces, features the work of forty individuals of varying abilities who have participated in classes at the Art Center.

# Holidays and Other Recognition Days to Note

January 17 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day

# **Upcoming Events**

January 17 - No School (Martin Luther King Jr. Day)

January 22 - Student Performance: Cabaret Performance

January 29 - Open House

January 31 - Second Semester Begins

January 31 - Student Council

February 3 - International Thespian Society Meeting

February 3 - Yearbook Meeting

February 5 - Student Performance: Classic Rock, Song Writing & LIHSA-pella

February 7 - GSA Gay Straight Alliance Meeting

February 8 - National Art Honor Society

February 9 - National Technical Honor Society

February 9 - National Tri-M Music Honor Society Meeting

February 10 - National Honor Society for the Dance Arts Meeting

February 28 - <u>Student Council</u>

#### **Catching Up On Your Reading**

Want to read an earlier edition of our newsletter? Check out our newsletter archives. Or click here to see our blogs.

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