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## Weekly News for our LIHSA Families

February 18, 2022

### Getting to Know Artist-in-Residence (and LIHSA Alum) Pete Coco



LIHSA Alum and Spring 2022 Artist-in-Resident Peter Coco is the kind of artist who would be impossible to describe with just a couple of words. Or even in a single sentence. Instead, he's the type of artist who not only shines in multiple mediums but can help illuminate paths for other artists as a teacher and teaching artist as well. [Read more in our latest blog](#)

**In the Classroom: Acoustic Covers Ensemble**



Students in our (morning) Acoustic Covers Ensemble have been rehearsing the Journey classic "Who's Crying Now." [Take a listen.](#)

Stay "tuned" for more updates on projects from this class. Pictured (l-r) Jessica Weber, Erin Gerasimovich, Lauren Marchand. Guitar - Charles Cerrito

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**AP Artwork: Lillian Sobczak**



This week we feature the outstanding artwork of AP Art Student Lillian Sobczak.

[Take a look at our blog to read her artist statement and see her work](#)

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**Dismissal Diaries with Ms. Giglio Pac: Andrew Defrin**





In the bustle of bus dismissal, Ms. Giglio Pac got to spend a few minutes with Andrew Defin to hear what's new with him. [Click here for the latest edition of Dismissal Diaries.](#)

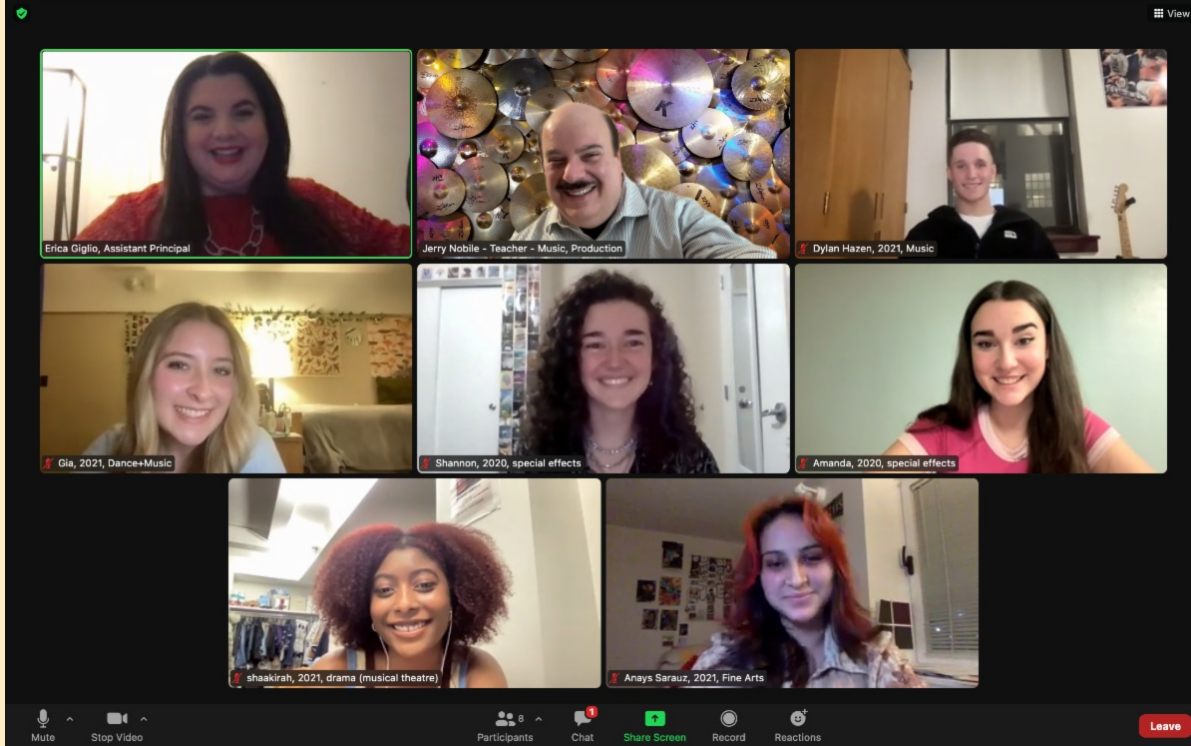
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### **Long Island Arts Alliance: Scholar Artists!**

[Newsday continues to feature all the 2021-22 Long Island Arts Alliance Winners.](#) Congratulations to all of OUR winners!

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### **Alumni Panel for our Recent Open House**



We were so delighted to welcome back an esteemed panel of recent LIHSA grads to share their experiences in high school and since graduation with prospective families. Thank you to LIHSA alum: Giannina Maresca, Dylan Hazen, Shaakirah Nazim-Harris, Shannon Carlson, Amanda Blitz, and Anays Sarauz.

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## Announcements

# SPECIAL EVENT VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSE

FRIDAY  
MARCH 4<sup>th</sup>

6:00 PM  
to  
7:00 PM

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Black History Month...a Look at Jacob Lawrence





Jacob Lawrence (1917-2000) was an artist whose modernist paintings featured scenes of everyday life, in addition to creating narratives of African American history and historical figures. He gained recognition throughout the racially divided 1940's, including for series such as "The Migration of the Negro" and "War Series." [Learn more about Jacob Lawrence and his work](#)

### Opportunities for Students

The Town of Oyster Bay's Art Council has a new feature on their website for all members at the \$15 level and more. Local artists (of all ages) can sell their artwork sculpture, photography, painting, watercolor, etc. <https://www.tobac.org/>



### All Means ALL



**Career and Technical Education  
should be available to all students.**

**A**ccess to career and technical education  
**L**ets students follow their passion and  
**L**evels the playing field.

**M**eeting students where they are ensures  
**E**QUITY for all.

**A**dvocate to end the stigma.

**N**ow is the time for all

**S**tudents' voices to be heard.

**A**ddress industry needs while

**L**istening to parents and students.

**L**earn to earn.

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Let your state legislators know you support Assembly Bill 7846 and Senate Bill 6599.

Learn more at [www.nassauboces.org/allmeansall](http://www.nassauboces.org/allmeansall).

Please be part of advocating for this bill so ALL students who want to follow their passion and dreams to LIHSA will have that opportunity.

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**Art in the Community**





New work from last year's artist-in-residence, Amanda Selwyn Dance Theatre:

Threads World Premiere

Thursday-Saturday, April 7-9, 2022 7:30 p.m.

New York Live Arts | 219 W. 19th Street

Tickets: \$30; Students/Seniors \$15

Thursday Performance + Reception \$75

TICKETS ON SALE NOW

Threads explores what holds us together and the practice of letting go. The threads can be fixed, torn, mended, or woven. Threads build bridges, celebrate difference, and connect us. We are only as alone as the next knot — accidental or purposeful. We are meant to be tangled in this dance of our lives.

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## Holidays and Other Recognition Days to Note

February - [Black History Month](#)

February - [CTE Month](#)

February 21 - President's Day

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## Upcoming Events

February 21 - 25 - Winter Recess: Schools Closed

February 28 - [Student Council](#)

March 3 - [Yearbook Meeting](#)

March 3 - [International Thespian Meeting](#)

March 4 - [Open House: International Thespian Society for Theatre and Musical Theatre Students](#)

March 7 - [GSA Gay Straight Alliance Meeting](#)

March 8 - [Open House: National Technical Honor Society for Game Design and Production & Managerial Arts Students](#)

March 9 - [Open House: Tri-M Music Honor Society for Music \(Vocal, Instrumental, & Digital\) Students](#)

March 10 - [Summer Program Open House](#)

March 10 - [Open House: National Art Honor Society for Fine & Digital Art Students](#)

March 19 - [Open House and Tour: Live at LIHSA \(Saturday\) 11AM-2PM](#)

March 29 - [Open House: March 29, 2022 \(Friday\) 6:00 PM- 7:30 PM \(Virtual\)](#)

April 11 - [Open House: LIVE at LIHSA \(6 - 8 pm\)](#)

## 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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