

Weekly News for our LIHSA Families

September 29, 2023

Introducing our 2023-24 Scholar Artist Toni Nemazi



Our introductions of our three LIHSA Scholar Artist winners continues!

The Scholar-Artist Awards program was developed by the Long Island Arts Alliance (LIAA) to recognize outstanding high school-age artists to the public in monthly profiles that will appear in *Newsday* and on Newsday.com. Scholar–Artists are chosen from five disciplines: Visual Arts, Music, Theater, Dance, and Media Arts. Selections are made from a pool of students nominated by Long Island's high schools. In addition to the twenty students selected to receive Awards of Distinction, twenty additional students are selected to receive an Award of Merit at a year-end LIAA recognition event.

This week we are introducing you to Toni Nemazi, a senior from Cold Spring Harbor who is studying Musical Theatre at LIHSA. <u>Click to read more about</u> Toni.

Important Dates

September 30 - Open House begins at 11 am

October 4 - SUNY Brockport Dance Auditions 8 am - 2:30 pm

October 7 - LI Fall Festival in Huntington, Music Performance 1 - 2 pm

October 9 - School Closed (Indigenous Peoples/Columbus Day)

October 11 - College Fair 8 am & 12 pm

October 12 - Graduation Photo (Seniors)

October 19 - Rosemary Kennedy/LIHSA Dance Buddies Program

October 19 - Graduation Photo Make Up Day

October 22 - Open House

October 26 - 1+1 Day/Bring a Friend to LIHSA

November 6 - Broadway Supports LIHSA (fundraiser/concert) 7 pm

In the Classroom: Theatre Monologue and Audition Technique





Students in the Theatre Monologue & Audition Technique classes are enjoying the incredible expertise of master artist Megan Lohne, a talent manager, playwright, and adjunct professor at Adelphi University, where she teaches audition, directs the industry showcase, and mentors writers. Lohne has been offering detailed, purposeful insight as she reviews LIHSA students' monologues, their overall presentations of themselves in the audition setting, their resumes, and their headshots.

"She has really helpful thoughts," says student Mairead Camas. "It is great to have time with someone so knowledgeable. When we did monologues for her, she knew so much about all of our choices. She gives us a lot of good recommendations. This is one of the things I love about LIHSA- working with people in the industry during a normal school day. Most kids don't get to do this."

LIHSA on Stage: Join us at the Huntington Fall Festival!



Presents: Musical preformances at

Long Island Fall Festival

OCTOBER 7 TH - FROM 1-2 PM 11 PRIME AVE, HECKSCHER PARK, HUNTINGTON, NY





Our LIHSA music students will perform from 1 -2 pm at the Long Island Fall Festival in Huntington's Heckscher Park on October 7. Please join us!

Click here for more information about the Long Island Fall Festival

Open House!



Our first Open House for the year will be held on September 30 from 11 am - 1 pm. Please share the date and <u>sign-up information</u> with the talented students and their families who live in Nassau and Suffolk Counties in your life.

Opportunities for Students



Time to audition!

All auditions for the 2023-2024 season will take place online. There is no audition fee. New and continuing students are required to complete the Audition Form. Students will be asked to upload a video performance of a solo from the NYSSMA manual (or equivalent). Students auditioning for Nassau-Suffolk must be a member in good standing of their school band program. For requirements, visit the appropriate link below for the ensemble for which you would like to audition.

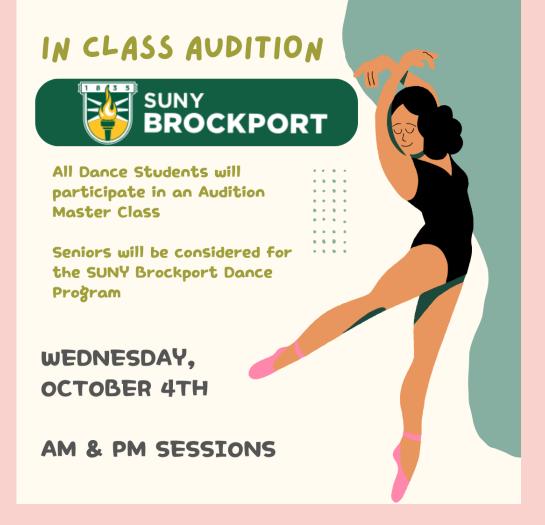
<u>Click here for more information</u>. Please direct audition questions to <u>auditions@nassausuffolk.org</u>.

Another Opportunity for Students



Now is the time to enter the 2024 Scholastic Art & Writing Awards! Teens in grades 7-12, ages 13 and up, can enter their original work in <u>28 categories of art and writing</u>, which includes poetry, photography, short story, painting, and more! Educators can also create their accounts to help the creative teens in their lives participate in the 2024 Awards. Get started today!

Another Opportunity for Students



All Dance students will participate in an Audition Master Class with SUNY Brockport's Dance Program on Wednesday, October 4. This is an in-school opportunity.

Another Opportunity for Students



Wednesday October 11th 8:30am / 12:30pm





Confirmed Schools Include:

- Baldwin Wallace College
- Berklee College of Music
- CUNY Hunter College
- Dean College
- Emerson College
- Five Towns College
- George Mason University
- · Hofstra University
- Iona University
- Ithaca College
- LIU Post
- Manhattanville College
- Manhattan School of Music
- New York Film Academy
- NYIT
- Pace University
- Penn State
- Ringling College of Art and Design
- Rutgers (Mason Gross)
- School of Visual Arts
- ...and dozens more!

Our College Fair will be held Wednesday, October 11.

Dance Buddies Program Kicked Off by a Generous Grant!



LIHSA was thrilled to receive a grant from The Theresa Alessandra Russo Foundation (<u>TARF</u>) which provides grants for arts & recreation experiences for students with special needs.

The grant of \$1,100 will be used for our Dance Buddies Program. LIHSA students volunteering for the program received training from Dr. Agnes McConlogue Ferro (LIHSA Graduate) of National Dance Institute's DREAM Project. This training helped students to think more inclusively about what it means to be a dancer and how to support their buddies from Rosemary Kennedy School.

The grant will also go to purchasing props and costumes for performances this spring.

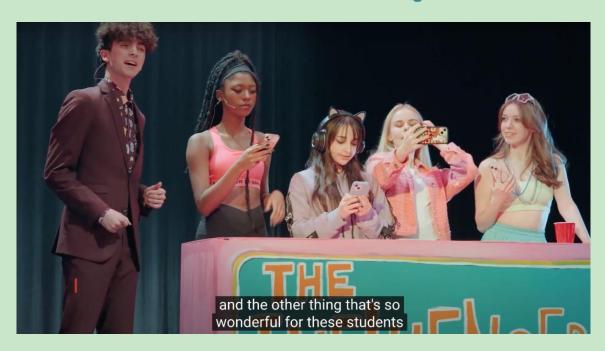
We are so thankful to The Theresa Foundation for supporting our work with students of all abilities. https://www.theresafoundation.org/

NYSED Meet & Greet



On Thursday, September 21, LIHSA hosted a Meet-and-Greet with members from NYSED's Career and Technical Education department. As the *only* CTE Arts High School in New York State, our colleagues from NYSED enjoyed an overview of our programs, tours of the campus, and seeing PM students in action! The visit was a tremendous opportunity for Nassau BOCES and LIHSA Administration to brag about our outstanding faculty and talents students.

LIHSA Video: Our Theater Program



Last year, we created a series of videos to share with students, families and community members interested in learning more about our programs. We're excited to share them with you. Please click here to view the new video about

PTSA Corner - Last Chance to Buy T-Shirts!

PTSA needs members! We need support from all student, families, and staff at LIHSA. We are far from reaching our goal. Membership is our biggest and most important fundraiser. Please join today. https://lihsa.memberhub.com/store? limit=21&live=true

The LIHSA PTSA spirit wear sale has been extended until 10/6. This is the only change to get LIHSA Senior 2024 T-shirts or any of this line of apparel this school year. You can shop here. https://www.4spiritwear.com/LIB.htm



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