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Weekly News for our LIHSA Families

October 13, 2023

Students Prep for Broadway Supports LIHSA



Broadway Supports LIHSA will be back on our stage Monday, November 6 and our very own LIHSA students are already hard at work preparing to perform alongside the cast of Broadway actors. Co-producer/co-director Jerome Vivona and choreographer Michelle Vivona are pictured with our student vocalists who are learning Rob Ashford's award-winning choreography from the Broadway production of *Thoroughly Modern Millie*. Fun Fact: Michelle Vivona was in the

original "Millie" cast!

While the cast list for BSL hasn't yet been announced, we have it on good authority that the evening's guest performers' credits include Broadway companies of *Back To The Future*; *Ain't Too Proud: The Life and Times of the Temptations*; *Hamilton*; *Into the Woods*; *The King and I*, *The Lion King*, *Miss Saigon*; *Les Miserables*; *School of Rock*, *Motown The Musical*; *Ragtime* and *New York, New York*.

This is a not-to-be-missed concert and all proceeds support LIHSA. Tickets are now on sale - [click here to buy yours!](#)

Important Dates

October 19 - Rosemary Kennedy/LIHSA Dance Buddies Program
October 19 - Graduation Photo Make Up Day
October 22 - [Open House](#) 11 am
October 22 - [Dance Workshop for Prospective Students 12:30 - 2 pm](#) (more info in article below)
October 26 - [1+1 Day/Bring a Friend to LIHSA](#)
October 31 - PTSA Halloween Party (during school)
November 6 - [Broadway Supports LIHSA \(fundraiser/concert\) 7 pm](#)
November 22 - Student Showcase 9:30 am and 1:30 pm
December 3 - Holiday Caroling at Old Westbury Gardens 11 am
December 6 - [Open House 6 pm](#)
December 8 - LIHSA Opens for the Rockettes! Radio City Music Hall 10 am
December 21 - Alumni Day 9 am - 1:30 pm

In Memoriam: Steven Lutvak



LIHSA was saddened to hear that Steven Lutvak passed away this week. In 2019, our students enjoyed a Master Class with the Tony winning composer of *Gentleman's Guide to Love and Murder*. After the class he shared, "I thought the kids were terrific, and interested, and interestING, and Jerry Noble was a perfect host." We thank him for the beautiful music he created and our condolences go out to his friends and family.

Donations Needed: How You Can Support Broadway Supports LIHSA!



Please consider donating healthy, nut-free snacks to feed our artists throughout the day at Broadway Supports LIHSA. Granola bars, popcorn, protein bars, pretzels, etc. would be a wonderful donation for our artists as they rehearse and prepare for the performance. If you can make a donation, please send it to LIHSA by Wednesday, November 1.

If you are the owner of or have a connection to a deli or restaurant, please consider making a donation to Broadway Supports LIHSA. We are in need of sandwiches and trays of food for our Broadway Artists prior to our show. If you are able to help, please reach out to Patti Waite as soon as possible: Patti.Waite@gmail.com

LI Fall Festival!



October 7 might have been a soaker of a day, but you wouldn't know it by watching our LIHSA students shine brightly on the stage at the Huntington Fall Festival. Spectacular work - thank you for representing our school so beautifully! Next week we will share more photos!

Opportunities for Students



Juilliard Drama Department's Master of Fine Arts in Acting will become tuition free for all students beginning with the 2024-2025 academic year. All accepted students will have their tuition fully covered via scholarships for the entirety of their study. [Click to read more.](#)

Another Opportunity for Students



LEARN MORE ABOUT LIFE AT LIHSA AND ALL THE PROGRAMS WE OFFER BY SHADOWING A STUDENT AT

1 + 1 DAY

OCTOBER 26TH
 DECEMBER 14TH
 FEBRUARY 15TH
 APRIL 18TH
 MAY 24TH



REGISTER HERE



LIHSA students - do you know someone who might want to check out our school? Ask them to join us for a one of our 1 + 1 Days this year. [Click here for registration information.](#)

Fall 2023 College Fair!



Our College Fair was held on October 11. Special thanks to Ms. Stencil for coordinating this event and for Ms. Baloun's extra support! [Enjoy a few photos and some students' thoughts on the day by clicking here!](#) Be sure to check back next week for more photos from this amazing event!

LIHSA Video: Our Audio Production 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 our Audio Production Program.](#)

LIHSA Open House and Dance Workshop

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BALLET BARRE
WARM-UP, AND
COMMERCIAL JAZZ
COMBINATION

FREE DANCE WORKSHOP

WEAR LEOTARD
AND TIGHTS, BRING
BALLET SLIPPERS
AND JAZZ SHOES

FOR PROSPECTIVE DANCE STUDENTS GRADES 8-11

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2023 FROM 12:30PM-2:00

INCLUDING PANEL DISCUSSION WITH LIHSA DANCE
FACULTY, ALUMNI, AND CURRENT STUDENTS

SCAN QR CODE TO
REGISTER!



CONTACT MS.L'ETOILE AT
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FOR ANY QUESTIONS



Our next Open House takes place on Sunday, October 22 at 11 am. Our Dance students, faculty, and alumni will offer a free Dance Workshop for prospective students 12:30 - 2 pm.

Please share information about our Open House and this special Dance Workshop with the high school students who live in Nassau and Suffolk Counties who may wish to explore an arts path through LIHSA. They can [sign-up using this link](#).

"If you're looking to develop your talents and work toward your dream of a career in the arts, then the Long Island High School for the Arts is the place to be." - Billy Joel



As we celebrate our LIHSA's 50th year, there's one name you'll note will come up more than once: Billy Joel. Today we share a [PSA he created for us that aired on radio stations across Long Island](#).

On The Town

SOMOS  **WE ARE**

Latinx Artists of Long Island

At the Long Island Museum, there's a groundbreaking exhibition celebrating the rich cultural heritage and artistic contributions of the Latinx community of Long Island. This exhibition, which includes works by over 80 participating artists—historic, established, and contemporary—offers a unique opportunity to explore their diverse styles, media, compelling personal stories, and familial national origins. From Brooklyn to Montauk, SOMOS showcases the works of creators who have grappled with questions of identity, history, and the many meanings of community. Guest-curated by Mexican-American artist Kelynn Z. Alder, SOMOS situates Latinx artists within the historic fabric and the actively changing shape of the Long Island neighborhoods in which they live. [Click here for details](#).

PTSA Corner

Calling all members and future members! We need your help! We have 260 families and only

105 members. Anyone can be a member. Your one time membership dues help fund events for students and teachers, fund scholarships, and if we can meet or exceed our goal it will help reduce the cost of the prom. You are not required to participate or volunteer, your membership is what we need most.



LIHSA PTSA members will be the first to hear when Prom tickets go on sale.

Seniors must be members by November 30, 2023 to be eligible to apply for the LIHSA PTSA scholarships

We are asking for participation from all families. Parents, siblings, grandparents, aunts, uncles, friends, alumni all are welcome and encouraged to join.

[Sign up here today to help the LIHSA PTSA meet our goals for this year](#)

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Catching Up on Your Reading

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