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ECA SPOTLIGHT: VOLUME 15

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Dear ECA Community:

As we continue preparations to celebrate our 50th anniversary at ACES Educational Center for the Arts, we are excited to share some updates regarding our celebration. After careful consideration, our administration and volunteers have decided to move the event to this coming fall, specifically on **Friday, October 4th, 2024**. This decision was made to ensure that we can continue our thoughtful planning and deliver a meaningful celebration for all who attend, including students, teachers, families, alumni, and community partners.

Our goal for this celebration remains the same—to bring everyone together to honor the storytelling that is at the heart of ECA's history. Our stories, from past to present, shape our identity, and this event will highlight the telling, handing-down, and keeping alive of our collective narratives.

The arts have played and continue to play a powerful role in our storytelling through our Creative Writing, Dance, Music, Theatre, and Visual Arts departments. They allow us to transfer new ideas, celebrate our differences, and reflect upon our history. As we reflect on ECA's journey, we celebrate the enduring power of storytelling to foster connections and add our voices to ECA's enduring legacy.

Our event co-chairs and planning committee have been working diligently to make this celebration memorable for all. With the additional time to prepare, we have more opportunity to recruit your assistance in making this event financially accessible to everyone. This said, we are still in need of a dedicated Sponsorship/Ad Coordinator to secure corporate sponsors and ads for our Program Booklet.

If you are interested in taking on this important role, or know someone who would be a great fit, please reach out to our co-chairs, Ali Parmelee (ali@3pointohhh.com) and Amy Graver (amy@elementsdesign.com). Additionally, if you would like to volunteer in any capacity, please contact Ali and Amy to let them know. The larger our planning team grows, the more thoughtful and meaningful this event will be for all who attend.

Thank you for your consideration and ongoing support.

LOGO DESIGNED BY AMY GRAVER



Kevin & Amy

Thursday, May 23rd

The Labor Project
2:00pm & 6:30 pm ECA Arts Hall

ECA COMMUNITY EVENTS

On **Wednesday, March 27th**, ACES ECA Music Department presented its "New Music, New Sounds" concert for a full house. All programmed music was composed by our very own students and performed by our many ensembles. Congratulations to all who made this concert possible!



On **Friday, April 5th**, students participating in the ACES WIMS "ECA Experience Class," which has been meeting every Friday at WIMS since the beginning of the school year, presented a performance of their culminating work for an audience in the ECA Arts Hall. We are grateful to ECA Instructors/Department Chairs, **Ingrid Schaeffer and Saul Fussiner**, who have been working with WIMS students every Friday to provide this experience, education, and support of their interests which has encouraged these students to pursue further studies at ECA for the '24-'25 school year.

BRAVI!

Quarter Three Report Cards

have been sent to all students/families via US Mail.

PLEASE!! NOTE



Please visit this [link](#) from the CT State Department of Education which provides guidance on the event, reminders for safe viewing.

Thursday, April 11th

Chamber Music
2:00pm & 6:30pm
Little Theatre

SPRING RECESS
April 15th - 18th

Thursday, May 2nd

Theatre for Social Justice
2:00pm & 6:30pm
Little Theatre

Friday, May 3rd

Jazz Live at the 55
7:00pm
ECA Arts Hall

Thursday, May 9th

Dreamscapes
2 & 6:30pm
Little Theatre

Friday, May 17th

ECA Prom at 6:30pm
ECA Arts Hall



A **Parent Residency Verification Form** is included in this mailing in which ACES is requiring all enrolled students/families to complete.

Please review this information and submit by the deadline provided in the letter. For your convenience, we have included a link to this letter and form [here](#). **Finally**, this will be our only newsletter for the month of April due to the upcoming break. Our next family newsletter will be sent on May 5th.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, April 8th

SOLAR ECLIPSE DAY

We have worked with our instructors to provide opportunities for students to view the Solar Eclipse, which will take place during school hours. ACES ECA will be providing approved safe solar viewers for students and staff in an effort to allow all to view the event from our campus.

ACES/ECA DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Creative Writing

Congratulations to Hattie Geertz who won first prize in prose and Hannah Leamon who won honorable mention in Poetry for the Thornton Wilder Writing Competition.

Kai Clayton and Micaela Demb won Gold Keys for Scholastic and will move on to the nationals for Scholastic. Dozens of others won Silver Keys and Honorable Mentions.

Saul Fussiner, Department Chair

Dance

The dance department was excited to collaborate with the music department in last week's performance. ECA music student, Amelie Michaelson created an original composition entitled "Unbound". To this work, ECA Dance Instructor, Nazorine Ulysse, choreographed a duet for senior dancers Ayla Yildiz and Isa Garcia. To cheers and applause, Ayla and Isa shared this duet for the dance department on Monday, April 1st.

Upcoming field trip, May 2nd at 1pm: the Dance Department will be attending the award winning Broadway show "Hadestown".

ECA seniors are in their 2nd week of rehearsals for their senior project, where each will create original choreography for the 2024 Senior Choreography Showcase. Our Seniors are: Ayla Yildiz, Yazia Luna, Julianna Trudden, Danielle Duarte, Isa Garcia, Sophia Perrone, Eliana Velazquez, Ava O'Kelley and Alondra Perez.

Please see additional highlights below from our ECA Dance Repertory.



"Memories of Metropolitan Ave"
choreography by Laura Manzella,
Dancers: Khaili Dingle-King,
Jayden Davis,
Isabella Edwards,
Keira Vergara,
Clara Causa,
Christine Wirtz



"Dance of the Ages"
choreography Seny Camara,
traditional West African dance,
Dancers: Ashley Mrowka,
Christine Wirtz



Faculty Repertory piece
"The Human"
choreography Nazorine Ulysse,
Dancers: Sofia Manzo, Jorge Villaslobos,
Kaliah Ames, Isa Garcia, Corrine Maddox, Maev Webster, Eliana Velazquez

From Mariane Banar Fountain's Faculty Rep Piece "Tug of War" dancers Adaline Graver, Rosa DeJoy, Danica Jackson, Ava O'Kelley



Samantha Osborn from Faculty Repertory. Angharad Davies choreography "Ash in Your Compact"



Mariane Banar-Fountain, Department Chair

Music

As Music in Our Schools Month comes to an end, we took time to reflect on the value music brings to our lives. Thank you to David Sanchez from our ACES Marketing Department for capturing our student reflections.

FROM OUR ACES MARKETING DEPARTMENT:

March is Music in Our Schools Month, and we celebrated in the most inspiring way! We took a special trip to ACES Educational Center for the Arts to dive into the heart of what music means to our talented students.

From the rhythmic beats to the soulful melodies, each student shared their unique perspective, painting a vivid picture of music's impact on their lives. 'Music is love,' said one. 'Music is home,' shared another. These voices, full of passion and depth, remind us of the transformative power of music.

Let's continue to support and celebrate the role of music in education, not just in March but all year round. It's through these notes and chords that our students find their voice, their courage, and their path to greatness. Here's to the melodies that move us and the rhythms that unite us! ([Click here](#) to view the video.)

PAST EVENTS:

The ECA Music Department presented its "New Music, New Sounds" concert for a full house on Wednesday, March 27th in the Little Theatre. All programmed music was composed by our very own students and performed by our many ensembles. Congratulations to all who made this concert possible:

Our student composers: **John, Andrew, Leo, Michelle, Harrison, Mila, Rachel, Emilio, Dante, Amelie, Isaiah, James, and Sreen**

Our many ensembles: **ECA Percussion Ensemble, ECA New Music Ensemble, ECA String Ensemble, ECA Chamber Orchestra, ECA Contemporary Ensemble, and ECA Jazz Ensemble**

Our dance students: **Ayla and Isa** for bringing their art to this new music, under the guidance of Dance Instructor, **Nazorine Paglia**

Our Music Instructors: **Gretchen Hary, Polina Nazaykinskaya, Roy Wiseman, Oliver Homann, and Will Cleary**

ACES/ECA DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS (cont.)

Music (cont.)

Our Guest Artist: **Michael Lowenstern**

Our extraordinary Technical Director: **Seth Harris**

Special gratitude to **Polina Nazaykinskaya** for her leadership and guidance of our student composers!

Congratulations to our students who participated in the CMEA All State Festival this past weekend:

Hannah Klein-Berger, violin; **Amelia Shaw**, clarinet; **Israel Ortiz**, bass trombone; **Emmy Rosario**, French horn; **Angel Mendoza**, Jazz Guitar; **Mila Volpe**, **Natalie Houlton**, **Perjah Delgado**, **June Lanpher**, & **Matiya Kouassi**, Voice

An original composition by **Perjah Delgado** was featured at the All-State Festival through the CMEA Composition Competition. Perjah's piece, composed for orchestra, was presented at the festival on Saturday, April 6 at the Hartford Convention Center.

Amy Christman & Kevin Buno, Co-Chairs

Students from the ACES WIMS ECA Experience Class rehearsing for their production, under the instruction of Ingrid Schaeffer.



Theatre

Below are some pictures that highlight our student technicians and performers preparing for our **Springfest** performances which will kick off with next Thursday's (April 11th) performance of **Chamber Music** at 2pm & 6:30 pm in the Little Theatre.

Please find the most recent article, found in the New Haven Arts Council paper, on Daia and the ECA Theatre department. We are excited for theatre student, Daia Jade, who will represent ECA at the National Shakespeare Competition at Lincoln Center on April 15th!

Here is the article link:

<https://www.newhavenarts.org/arts-paper/articles>



Ingrid Schaeffer, Department Chair

Visual Arts

Students in the Visual Arts Department started fourth quarter classes this week, immersing themselves in the final round of creative exploration of media, techniques, and concepts this year.

Every quarter is also a new opportunity for students to meet and work alongside a different group of artist friends, peers and mentors, and broaden and deepen their range of skills and expressive possibilities.

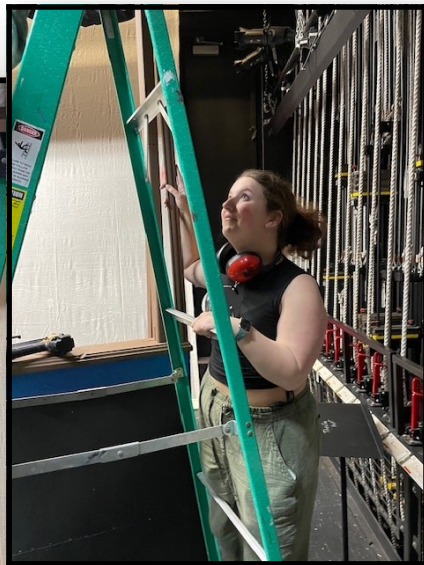
You can go [here](#) for a comprehensive look at all the amazing visual arts courses offered this year, and [here](#) to view our ever evolving online gallery of student work.

As soon as this cold and cloudy weather passes, our students will be heading out to draw, paint, photograph, visit local museums and galleries- all the wonderful benefits of being in the heart of a vibrant art community!

Johanna (Hanni) Bresnick, Department Chair

ACES ECA SOCIAL MEDIA

ACES ECA continues to celebrate accomplishments, provide information on upcoming events, and promote educational opportunities through our Facebook Page. We want to remind all who follow our social media that this is a platform used for informational purposes only. If there are any concerns, social media related or otherwise, we encourage you to reach out to Principal Kevin Buno via email (KBuno@aces.org) or phone (203-777-5451) at any time. Our door is always open!



PACE Parents for Arts-Centered Education

ACES ECA PACE (Parents for Arts-Centered Education) held its third hybrid meeting on Wednesday, December 13th. Our families meet with administrators to continue conversations on their vision for the school and opportunities to support our students in their artistic endeavors. Please consider joining this wonderful organization which provides immense support to the ongoing needs of our school. PACE is in the process of organizing sub-committees to help support the school's forthcoming endeavors. To indicate your interest in PACE and to join the mailing list, we invite all ECA families to complete [this short form](#). The officers of PACE for the 23-24 school year are:

- **Sara Armstrong, president (parent of ECA visual arts student '24 & theatre alumnus '21)**
- **Kitty Clemens, vice president (parent of ECA music student '25)**
- **Nick Perrone, secretary (parent of ECA dance student '24)**
- **Lisa Leamon, treasurer (parent of ECA creative writing student '25 & theatre alumna '23)**

UPCOMING MEETING DATES:

- **Wed., April 24 at 6:30PM**
- **Wed., May 15 at 6:30PM**

All meetings will be HYBRID, meeting in person at ECA with online access as well. There will also be an ECA administrator at each meeting to report to the ECA family community about current happenings. PACE relies upon the involvement of our many families to support these and future events. To learn more about the organization and becoming involved, please email PACE at pace.eca@gmail.com

ACES Educational Center for the Arts Theatre Department
proudly presents

CHAMBER MUSIC

BY ARTHUR KOPIT

April 11, 6:30 PM

The Little Theatre
on Lincoln Street
New Haven, CT

Tickets \$15.00



SUMMER CAMP 2024 LIST

SUMMER CAMPS 2024 websites*	TOWN	Ages or Grades	Address	PHONE
Soundview Family YMCA Day Camps	Branford	Ages 5-16	628 East Main Street	203-481-9622
Treehouse Players	Centerbrook	3-15	109 Main Street	860-581-0143
Holiday Hill	Cheshire	4-10	43 Candee Road	203-387-2267
Camp Hazen YMCA	Chester	4-13	204 West Main Street	860-526-9529
Bulldog Rowing Campus -Yale University	Derby	14-18	280 Roosevelt Drive	203.687.7829 or 203.494.8149
Fairfield Tennis Club	Fairfield	Grades 3-10	210 Old Dam Road	203-254-0440
Missoula Children's Theatre	Fairfield	Grades 1-12	1073 North Benson Road	203-254-4242
Summer Cabaret Workshop	Fairfield	Ages 7 and up	Check website for locations	203-259-1036
New Era Gymnastics	Hamden	5-17	1180 Sherman Avenue	203-281-1826
Hamden-North Haven YMCA	Hamden	5-12	Check website for location	203-248-6361
Bushy Hill Nature Center Summer Day Camps	Ivoryton	Check website for specific programs	253 Bushy Hill Road	860-767-2148
Day Camp at Deer Lake	Killingworth	5-14	101 Paper Mill Road	203-421-8484
Camp Claire	Lyme	Grades K-8	15 Oakland Avenue	860-434-0368
Camp Laurelwood	Madison	6-16	463 Summer Hill Road	203-421-3736
Monroe Summer Day Camp	Monroe	3 years old - students entering 8th grade	34 Church Street	contact info on website
Mystic Aquarium Summer Camp	Mystic	K-5	55 Coogan Boulevard	860-572-5955
Mystic Seaport Camps (includes sailing and other fun optoins)	Mystic	3-16	75 Germanville Avenue	888-973-2767
Camp Playland	New Canaan	4-16	802 Ponus Ridge	203-966-2937
Audubon Arts at Neighborhood Music School	New Haven	3-14	100 Audubon Street	203-624-5189
Foote School Summer Theatre Camp	New Haven	Grades 7-12	Check website	203-777-3464
Foote School Summer Adventures	New Haven	5 years and up	Check website	203-777-3564
Hopkins Summer School	New Haven	4-14	986 Forest Road	203-387-1001
Schooner: Exploring Our Coast	New Haven	Grades 7-12	60 South Water Street	203-562-6655
Elm Shakespear Teen Troupe Summer	New Haven	Ages 13-18	Check website for locations	203.392.8882
Elm Shakespeare Players Camp	New Haven	Ages 7-13	Check website for locations	203.392.8882
Shubert Summer Theater & Arts Camp	New Haven	6-12	247 College Street	203-624-1825
Two Coyotes Wilderness School	Newtown	Grades 6-8	197 Huntingtown Road	203-843-3112
Crystal Theatre	Norwalk	0-15	66 Bayview Avenue	203-847-4850
Maritime Rowing Club	Norwalk	4-18	3 Jennings Place	203-854-5492
Oak Hills Tennis Club Camp	Norwalk	5-18	165 Fillow Street	203-838-9110
Kate's Camp for Kids	Old Saybrook	5-17	90 Main Street	860-767-0026
Bright Horizons at Yale West Campus	Orange	5-10	117 West Campus Drive	203-795-3564 ext. 0
Camp Argo	Orange	4-14 years	886 Mapledale Rd	203-799-2746
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Giggling Pig	Shelton, Milford, B	ages 4-16 years	Check website for locations	203-919-1153

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203-604-9009 ext 402

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The purpose of our group is to provide a dedicated space for men to explore and address the unique challenges men face in relationships, work, and societal expectations. We aim to facilitate open and honest conversations that promote self-discovery, emotional intelligence, and personal development. Through shared experiences and mutual support, our purpose is to create a brotherhood that encourages authenticity, resilience, and positive transformation in the lives of our members.

Thursday at 7pm Once a Month



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- Naloxone works in 2-3 minutes
- It can be administered by anyone
- It does not cause harm

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2024 Virtual Training Dates:

~~Monday, March 11~~

• Monday, April 8

• Monday, May 13

• Monday, June 10

Classes are 6-7pm

20 people per class

THE TRAINING WILL NOT BE RECORDED. ATTENDEES MUST ARRIVE BY 6:05 OR WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO ENTER THE ZOOM.



Scan the QR code to register!

THE HAMDEN



Food Pantry

FREE FOR EVERYONE

2024 DATES



Apr 10, 24 | May 8, 22 | Jun 5 | Jul 3, 17, 31

Every other Wednesday

4:30 PM - 5:30 PM / 306 Circular Ave.

St. Paul's Parish Parking Lot

For the full schedule visit www.ctfoodshare.org

Park/Walk-up - In parking lot across from Sapori



Don't forget to bring bags!

SNAP Education & Training Program



SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP) EDUCATION AND TRAINING

The SNAP Employment and Training Program prepares and assists students by offering vocational training, career activities, case management, and support services. The following certificates are **FREE** to eligible SNAP recipients - program descriptions can be found in this catalog.

Any student interested in enrolling in the SNAP & E&T Program **MUST** attend one mandatory orientation session and meet the following requirements:



- Receive SNAP benefits
- Have high school diploma/GED
- Do NOT receive TFA benefits
- Have not previously enrolled in a SNAP E&T program

To Register
Scan Here ➔



For more information contact
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CERTIFICATES OFFERED

- Bookkeeping Professional National Certificate
- Property & Casualty Insurance Certificate
- Central Sterile Supply Certificate
- Certified Nurse Aide (CNA) Certificate
- Child Development Associate Credential
- Community Health Worker (CHW) Certificate
- Comprehensive Automotive Repair and Service (CARS) Certificate
- CompTIA A+ - Desktop Support Specialist
- Culinary Arts Certificate
- Drug and Alcohol Recovery Certificate
- Honda PACT Certificate Program
- Hospitality and Tourism Certification
- Medical Office Assistant Certificate
- Patient Care Technician Certificate
- Pharmacy Technician Certificate
- ServSafe Food Handler and Manager
- Professional Baker Certificate
- IT Certificate

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St. Luke's Services, Inc. (SLSI) has as its mission: a) the provision of wholesome and appealing meals, in a cheerful, no-questions-asked setting where men, women and children in need are welcomed; and b) the offering of varied additional support services to guests who choose to utilize them. In a land of great plenty for some and demeaning poverty for others, we believe that providing food for the hungry is a compelling necessity, but that meals alone constitute a "band aid" measure. We therefore feel responsible for addressing some of the causes of dysfunctional living as well, by making available a range of life enhancing opportunities.

The sustaining philosophy of our work is the time-honored belief that there is God in every man, woman and child. Translated into soup kitchen terms, this challenges us to share respect consistently among lunch guests, paid and volunteer staff, and professionals. Not always an easy task where intensely difficult life issues often make for a precarious balance of tempers. However, respect works! Women express their appreciation for the special St. Luke's atmosphere, and - very importantly- give us their trust, thus enabling us to assist them with services which range from pastoral counseling to children's programs.

It has been 22 years since St. Luke's Services fed its first six luncheon guests. The lunchroom doors were opened June 1989 and a full course meal was prepared by the late William Johnson. In 1994 St. Luke's Services, Inc., was incorporated as a non-profit organization, governed by its own board of directors and separate from St. Luke's Episcopal Church. The two maintain an active and valued relationship by parishioners who continue

to serve on the Board.

In 2010 St. Luke's Services distributed 2,531 meals in our friendly "no questions asked" environment. The mutual respect found in this lunchroom opens opportunity to lend a hand in a variety of ways. By that, St. Luke's Services operates a food pantry, diaper bank and clothes closet. Each year, students of the Hopkins School assist "Santa" by sharing their bounty with families from St. Luke's Services along with the parish of St. George Catholic Church in Guilford, Connecticut. Thanksgiving baskets are provided to needy families. The items included assure a full thanksgiving meal with the trimmings. We are grateful to St. George Catholic Church which continues to provide generous support in this area.

Submitted by Yvette Barnard, SLSI Secretary/Treasurer

St. Luke's Services Weekly Operations:

Diaper Bank: every First Tuesday of the month, 10a.m.-12 noon

Women & Children Lunch Program: 12 noon -1p.m., Tuesdays & Thursdays

Wednesday Breakfast Program: 8:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m.

Clothes Closet: Thursdays 10 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

Food Pantry: every First and Third Friday of the month, 10a.m.-12 noon

EAST ROCK RANGER PROGRAMS 2024

CLIMATE EDUCATION

- Get outdoor lessons and programming that support new CT state mandates for climate education in K-12 public schools (HB 5282)
- Understand the ecological and social issues that cause climate change & how New Haven will be affected
- Including...
 - Social Justice
 - Indigenous History & Knowledge

RECREATION

- Promote physical health by having fun in the outdoors!
- Decrease greenhouse gas emissions and combat climate change by engaging in active transportation
- Including...
 - Biking
 - Nature Hikes
 - Snow shoeing

HEALING ACTIVITIES

- It is proven that spending time outdoors improves mental health & wellbeing
- Build stronger relationships with the outdoors & your community by participating in...
 - Mindfulness Hikes
 - Recovery Yoga
 - Support Groups

*Programs can be tailored towards the needs and interests of the group participating.

VOLUNTEER/INTERN

- Need to complete community service hours or hands-on projects? Join us at the park as we take care of our ecosystems, remove invasive species, and maintain our trails!



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**Announcing the Family Assistance & Social Determinant Fund
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Do you know a family that needs financial assistance to pay for mental health and/or substance use intervention, treatment, or medication for their child(ren) ages 0-18?

For a limited time, funding assistance is available for those that qualify*.

Completed referrals can be sent to:

The Family Assistance & Social Determinant Fund
FAX: 833-370-8773 or E-mail to FASD@carelon.com

Funding may be accessed for services rendered for a child, ages 0 up to 18, needing:

- ✓ Mental health and/or substance use treatment or prescribed medications
- ✓ Adolescent psychiatric services, intensive in-home or intensive outpatient or other recommended community-based service

AND

The family has been unable to access that care because:

- ✓ The family has sought but been denied coverage or reimbursement by their health carrier or have exhausted their benefits,
- ✓ The family is unable to bear the cost of the intervention due to financial hardship.
- ✓ The family has encountered barriers based on social determinants of health such as discrimination, poverty, housing or food insecurity, unemployment/underemployment, adverse early life experiences, or other social determinants related to mental health.

QUESTIONS? Contact Carelon Behavioral Health at: FASD@carelon.com

*Funds are made available for a limited time by the CT Department of Children and Families through the American Recovery Plan Act. Funds may apply for services rendered up to 120 days prior to the date of the request.