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## Program Overview

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### PROGRAM GOALS

- » Provide families with the information and support to apply to the NYC Specialized Art High Schools.
- » Build students communication and confidence through group discussions and individual interview exercises.
- » Assist students in developing strong observational drawings that reflect their understanding of the basic elements of art and principles of design.
- » Provide students with individualized assessments of their current portfolios.
- » Provide and encourage a framework for students to work independently on building their portfolios beyond the classroom.
- » Engage students in exercises that strengthen both oral and written communication skills

### PURPOSE OF THE WORKSHOP SERIES

This series of workshops is specifically designed for students preparing to apply to the NYC Specialized High Schools that require portfolio presentations and auditions. In an effort to properly prepare students for this application process, the workshop series will offer drawing assignments to strengthen artistic skills, provide how-to demonstrations on preparing and organizing a formal portfolio, and provide opportunities to enhance their communication skills.

### WORKSHOPS CONSIST OF...

A family orientation to give an overview of the schools that are classified as Specialized Visual Art programs.

Hands-on art making experiences to support portfolio requirements.

Inquiry-based discussions and activities in museum galleries.

Individual portfolio reviews and interview skills assessment.

Presentations on portfolio preparation and organization.

### PRACTICE ADMISSIONS TEST

Many specialized high schools require students to take an aptitude test as part of the admissions process. Each fall the Students Opportunities and Support (SOS) program of the Joan Mitchell Foundation administers a practice test modeled after three of the leading specialized high school audition procedures (Art & Design, LaGuardia and Frank Sinatra High School). The practice will consist of timed observational and imaginative drawing and one-on-one interviews.

## High School Fair Calendar

**September 24-25**

Citywide High School Fair

**October 15 - 16**

Borough High School Fairs

For more information go to:

<http://schools.nyc.gov/ChoicesEnrollment/High/events/default.html>

## High School Admissions Calendar

**September 8 - October 13, 2016**

Registration for fall Specialized High School Admissions Test

**October 19, 2016**

Test/Audition tickets are distributed to students: (LaGuardia)

**October 22 & October 23, 2016**

SHSAT: testing for all 8 graders

**October 30, 2016 & November 5, 2016**

All 9th grade students

8th and 9th graders with ELL, disabilities, or IEP's

Make up test request

**October 29- December 3, 2016**

LaGuardia High School Audition begins

**November 2016 - January 2017**

Specialized High School Admissions Test: All 9 graders and

8 & 9 graders with special needs or 504 accommodations:

LaGuardia Auditions begin by Borough, SHSAT make-up by permission only; Sabbath observers with special needs and 504 accommodations

**March 2017-TBA**

Round 1 results distributed (inclusive of specialized results)

Continue to check for updates at:

<http://schools.nyc.gov/ChoicesEnrollment/High/specialized/default.htm>

## NYC Public High Schools with Art Programs

Based on information provided by the NYC Department of Education website: links to download the full directory of NYC Public High Schools and Specialized High Schools Student Handbook can be found on page 14.

Department Schools in **BOLD** require that students audition to be admitted into the program.

### BRONX

Bronx High School for the Visual Arts  
Foreign Language Academy of Global Studies  
High School for Contemporary Arts  
Millennium Art Academy  
Monroe Academy for Visual Arts and Design  
New Explorers High School  
Samuel Gompers Career and Technical Educational High School

### BROOKLYN

**Abraham Lincoln High School**  
**Brooklyn High School of the Arts**  
**Dr. Susan S. McKinney Secondary School of the Arts**  
**Edward R. Murrow High School**  
George Westinghouse Career and Technical Education High School  
Gotham Professional Arts Academy  
HS for Innovation in Advertising and Media  
**Juan Morel Campus Secondary School**  
Life Academy High School for Film and Music  
New Utrecht High School

Shorefront High School of Arts and Sciences at John Dewey Campus  
WH Maxwell Career and Technical Education High School  
International Arts & Business High School  
**Sheepshead Bay High School**  
The Urban Assembly School of Music and Art

### QUEENS

**Bayside High School**  
**College and Career Academies High School at Newtown Campus**  
**Frank Sinatra School of the Arts**  
High School for Arts and Business  
**Humanities & Arts Magnet High School**  
**Queens Vocational and Technical High School**  
Thomas A. Edison Career and Technical Education High School  
August Martin High School  
**Beach Channel High School**  
**Newton High School**  
Richmond High School

### MANHATTAN

High School of Graphic Communication Arts  
Chelsea Career and Technical Education High School  
Creative Digital Minds High School  
**Fiorello H. LaGuardia High School of Music & Art and Performing Arts**  
**Art and Design High School**  
Gramercy Arts High School  
The Heritage School  
High School of Arts and Technology  
**The High School of Fashion Industries**  
New Design High School  
**Wadleigh Secondary School for the Performing and Visual Arts**  
**Louis D. Brandeis High School**  
**Bayard Rustin Educational Complex**  
Marta Valle Secondary School  
**Washington Irving High School**  
  
**STATEN ISLAND**  
Curtis High School  
Ralph R. McKee Career and Technical Education High School  
Susan E. Wagner High School

## Audition vs. Admissions Process

Not every school requires an audition, but every school has a specific admissions process. Below are some terms explaining each of them. For more specific information regarding each school's selection method visit [schools.nyc.gov](http://schools.nyc.gov).

### TERMS

**Audition** – This requires that you demonstrate your talents in performing or visual arts by auditioning. (Ex: your portfolio can be used as your audition in some cases)

**Educational Option** – This allows the school to select half of the incoming students, while the other half is randomly selected by computer from the pool of our eligible applicants. If you scored in the top 2% on the 7th grade standardized reading test, you will be automatically matched to any Ed. Opt. Program you have as your number one choice. Your information regarding your score will appear on your application in October.

**Limited Unscreened** – Priority is given to students who, with their parents, demonstrate interest in a school by attending a school's information session, open houses, or visiting the school's exhibit at any one of the High School's Fairs. When a student attends these events, he/she must sign-in to be given priority to the school's program(s).

**Screened** – Selection is based on your 7th grade academic record, standardized test scores, attendance and punctuality. Every program that uses a screening method lists the criteria in its program on the school's high school directory page.

**Test** – This is for the 8 specialized high schools that require the specialized high schools admissions test (SHSAT) for admission. Your score on this test is the only way you are eligible. Applying to these schools requires getting an admission ticket for the test from your guidance counselor.

**Unscreened** – Students are randomly selected by computer for these programs. Since you can't know your chances of acceptance (even if you meet all the eligibility requirements), you should treat an unscreened program like any other; rank your choices based on priority on your application.

**Zoned Schools** – Some areas of the city have schools intended to serve students living nearby (known as the zone). Zoned schools have programs that have a Z as the 4th character of the program code. You don't have to apply to your zoned school, but if you do want to attend you are guaranteed a seat unless you are matched to a program that you ranked higher on your application.

## How to Prepare for your Visual Arts Audition

*Based on information provided by the NYC Department of Education website: a link to download the Specialized High Schools Student Handbook can be found on page 14.*

When applying to a Visual Arts program you may be asked to demonstrate your skill and commitment in up to three other ways: (1) through an interview, (2) in a writing component such as an essay and by creating new artwork upon request, and/or (3) through a portfolio of your work.

### 1. The Interview

Schools may include interviews in their admissions process. While questions and procedures vary from school to school, it is important to remember:

- » Poise and appearance count.
- » Attitude is important: show respect to teachers and other students.
- » Convey your commitment to the visual arts.
- » Listen closely and try to provide answers that directly address the questions you were asked.

Questions might include:

- » Why did you choose to audition for this school?
- » How did you decide what to include in your portfolio?
- » Which art museums or galleries have you visited recently?
- » In the future, how do you plan to use the art education you receive here?

The interview will most likely be in the form of a conversation. You may be asked about your background, experience, knowledge and interest in the visual arts.

### 2. The Writing Component

Some schools require students to write an essay or answer a series of questions about why they want to attend that particular school. You may also be asked to compare two works of art. Schools will be looking at the content of your writing as well as the level of literacy. As in any piece of writing you would submit for examination, the writing component of your audition should:

- » Be well organized.
- » Demonstrate correct sentence structure, spelling and grammar.
- » Address the questions.

As with the interview, the writing component is intended as a way for you to convey your commitment to the study of visual arts and your interest in attending the school.

#### **Creating New Artwork Upon Request**

Many schools will ask you to complete one or two pieces of art “on the spot”. The most common art activities are drawing a figure from observation and drawing an inanimate object from observation, you may also be asked to draw an object from memory. Work is usually done on 8.5” x 11” paper. Bring a drawing pencil and eraser with you.

Examiners will be looking for imaginative and creative approaches to the assignment within the parameters given at the audition.



### 3. The Portfolio

The visual arts portfolio is a critical part of the audition process for 8th grade students applying to a specialized art program. A well thought-out portfolio shows your strengths and potential for high school-level work. It is an opportunity to display your best efforts. Individual schools may vary slightly in their requirements. Check the school's website for complete information. The following guidelines will help you assemble a competitive portfolio.

#### **Presentation**

You can protect your work and make a good impression by using a sturdy, high-quality portfolio case. A neat and attractive presentation is extremely important. It tells the reviewing committee that you have taken care of your work and that you are proud of it.

#### **The condition of your artwork should be:**

- » Clean, undamaged, unframed and in good overall condition.

#### **Labels on the reverse side of artwork should include:**

- » Your name
- » School name
- » Title
- » Date of work
- » Either "Under Supervision" or "Without Supervision"
- » Number and Type of Artwork

This varies from school to school, some schools request six works and others request anywhere from 10-20 pieces. Other schools require only 2-dimensional work and some allow you to include photographs of 3-dimensional work. When submitting photographs of 3-dimensional work, place labeled photos in presentation sleeves.

#### **CONTENT**

As you assemble your portfolio, carefully select the works that you feel represent your best efforts. "Less is more" is an excellent guideline!

#### **Consider the following:**

- » Select current artwork (work completed in 7th or 8th grade).
- » Some schools enjoy looking at sketchbooks and preliminary drawings.

- » Do not include work done in the style of a famous artist or copies.
- » Most of the work should be done from observation but you may include some work done from imagination or memory.
- » Cartooning should be limited to a minimum or not included at all.

The selections should demonstrate your understanding of composition and the following principles of design:

- |                      |                              |
|----------------------|------------------------------|
| » Unity              | » Proportion                 |
| » Balance/repetition | » Rhythm                     |
| » Variety            | » Scale                      |
| » Emphasis           | » Figure-ground relationship |

You may select works that are thematic to show an in-depth investigation of an idea or you may include a variety of subjects to show a breadth of interests.

You may include "genre" art-works, which are pictorial representations of scenes from everyday life.

#### **Examples of popular genres are:**

- |                 |              |
|-----------------|--------------|
| » Landscape     | » Figure     |
| » Cityscape     | » Decorative |
| » Architectural | » Animal     |
| » Portrait      | » Digital    |

You may wish to prepare pieces using a variety of media (such as drawing, painting, printmaking, media technology, etc.) to demonstrate your skill with different tools, materials, and techniques.

#### **Examples of media are:**

- » Painting – watercolor, acrylic, oil
- » Drawing – pencil, charcoal, chalk pastel, oil pastel, collage
- » Print – monoprint, etching, photography
- » Mixed media – combinations of any of the above

**Make sure to carefully review the specific portfolio requirements for the schools to which you wish to apply in the High School Directory.**

## Specialized Art High School Guidelines

*Based on information provided by the NYC Department of Education website: a link to download the Specialized High Schools Student Handbook can be found on page 14.*

### FRANK SINATRA SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

#### Art Audition Guidelines

- » Present a portfolio with 10-15 pieces of original work.
- » Art-work must be created from observation and from student's own imagination.
- » Artwork must include a diversity of subject matter and use of media, including examples of line, value and color.
- » Student work should be unframed and need not be matted.
- » Three-dimensional work can be shown in photographs.
- » You will also be required to draw from observation and memory, using pencil.

### FIGUEROA H. LAGUARDIA HIGH SCHOOL OF MUSIC & ART AND PERFORMING ARTS

#### Art Audition Guidelines

##### PART 1: Portfolio Review

- » Each student is required to submit for review a portfolio of original work.
- » Artwork and portfolio can be any size that is comfortable for the student to carry.
- » Portfolio should include between 10-20 pieces of work.
- » All art pieces must be either matted or mounted.
- » Selected pieces should be 2-dimensional works only. Photographs can be used to show sculpture, ceramics, and other 3-dimensional works.
- » Only original work should be submitted. No photocopies of work will be accepted.

##### Each piece of work should be labeled:

- » Done with supervision (i.e. in class with a teacher).
- » Done without supervision (i.e. done completely independently).
- » From observation or from imagination.

All portfolios are returned at the end of the exam.

##### PART 2: In-class drawing exam

Applicants must demonstrate specific skills by completing 3 drawing exercises. Approximately 30 minutes will be given for each exercise:

- » Draw a live model – drawing pencil
- » Draw still life from memory – drawing pencil
- » Illustrate a topic that is given (i.e. a hot day at the beach) – Cray-Pas

## THE HIGH SCHOOL OF ART AND DESIGN

### Art Audition Guidelines

#### PART 1: How to prepare your portfolio:

- » Select your best art work.
- » Clean up your work.
- » Frame with a mat or mount on a board.

#### What you should bring:

- » Your portfolio
- » Latest copy of your report card
- » Letters of recommendation
- » Sharpened pencils
- » An eraser
- » A winning attitude

#### The best portfolios have:

- » Neatly presented artwork
- » Art from observation
- » A sketchbook
- » 8-12 artworks (variety)

#### On your audition date:

- » Please be prompt
- » All applicants must have a portfolio to be reviewed at the time of the audition

#### PART 2: Portfolio guidelines based on intended major

##### Commercial Art Portfolio Requirements

- » Drawings from observation (strongly suggested)
- » Art work subjects including the following:
  - » Abstract design
  - » Still lifes
  - » Landscapes or city scenes
  - » Self portrait
  - » Photography
  - » Fashion design
- » Art work done independently
- » Art work done in school
- » Show a variety of media
- » Your sketchbooks full of ideas and interests

##### Architectural Design Portfolio Requirements

- » Portfolio with 10-12 pieces of original artwork created from observation and students' own imagination with a diversity of subject matter and use of media.
- » Please include examples of line drawings as well as value studies of geometric shapes and forms.
- » You should also include a drawing of your neighborhood and plan of your bedroom or your apartment.
- » Three-dimensional pieces can be photographed. You will be required to draw from observation and memory.

##### Film/Video Production Portfolio Requirements

- » Portfolio including two storyboards, (each a minimum of ten frames each) depicting a scene from two of your favorite movies.
- » Submit a 250-word essay describing your interest in filmmaking. Students will be given a visual representation and will be asked to develop a story that could be used as the basis for a film. Address these questions: What is the story about? Who are the main characters? What are the conflicts? What type of film? How does it end?
- » Submit your portfolio materials at the audition. You can pick these up one week later.

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## FAQ: Frequently Asked Questions

**Q: How can I prepare to take the test?**

**A:** Practice drawing exercises similar to those given in the audition. Select those that are the most interesting for the portfolio. The following are some examples to help you prepare. Set up a series of still life drawing problems: first, a single object such as a pair of eye glasses or shoes; then use two objects, then three, and so on. Take objects away and draw from memory. Work with Crayons or Cray-Pas to illustrate street scenes, crowd scenes, and landscapes. Remember to keep a sketchbook.

**Q: What does the portfolio tell the examiners?**

**A:** The portfolio demonstrates seriousness and depth of interest. A variety of subject matter indicates someone who is able to try different problems.

**Q: Will I have an opportunity to discuss my portfolio?**

**A:** Yes. The examiners will hold a short conference to discuss how the work in the portfolio represents the applicant's art experience, plans and commitment.

**Q: What are the examiners looking for in the test?**

**A:** The examiners look for imagination and creativity. They are looking for students who can draw from observation, compose a picture on the page, and use color in an effect way.

**Q: What does the student bring to the test?**

**A:** The portfolio, pencil, admission ticket, and your latest report card or transcript. Paper, Cray-Pas, drawing pencil, and eraser will be supplied.

**Q: What are the procedures in the test room?**

**A:** Applicants are assigned to an art classroom where there are art tables, materials, and a sink for washing hands after the test. Each student is assigned a number. After each problem, the applicant posts work on the board next to that number. By the end of the test, each applicant has 3 pieces of work displayed. While students are working, the examiners are reviewing the portfolios and holding a short conference with each student. All portfolios are returned to the applicant at the end of the exam.

## Portfolio Building Tips

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### DEVELOP YOUR...

#### Artistic Voice

- » What is important to you?
- » Keep an art journal where you can write stories, draw, and sketch ideas for future projects.
- » While completing assignments or making art on your own, make your mark and let your personality shine through the colors you use, the gestures you make, and humor or issues you address.

#### Skills

- » Keep working hard and continue making art on a regular basis. High Schools like to see that you are trying to improve yourself as an artist by consistently working.
- » Draw from observation (what you see, not photographs) and try new subjects while improving techniques.

#### Range

- » In your sketchbook, keep a list of new ideas and materials you'd like to try.
- » Do things from the list and check them off as you go, you might find something new you'd like to continue doing.

### AND PREPARE FOR...

#### High School Applications

- » In the early fall season, go to the websites for high schools you will apply to and see what you will need to do to apply and when. Include your top choices and keep in mind other schools that have active art programs on your list.
- » Make a calendar of when things are due, or when interviews/exams are happening.

#### Exposure

- » At the beginning of the fall season, make sure you visit as many of the high schools you are interested in during their open house or while they are in session.
- » Ask students and teachers questions you have about their school and see how they feel about their experience there. Someone else's opinion should not determine whether or not you go there, but it could be helpful information to have.
- » Check out museums/galleries and learn more about artists whose work you like or admire. Pay attention to the names of artists and new things you are learning from seeing art, this could be helpful in an interview if you are asked about what kind of art you have seen and who you like as artists.

#### Body of Work (Portfolio)

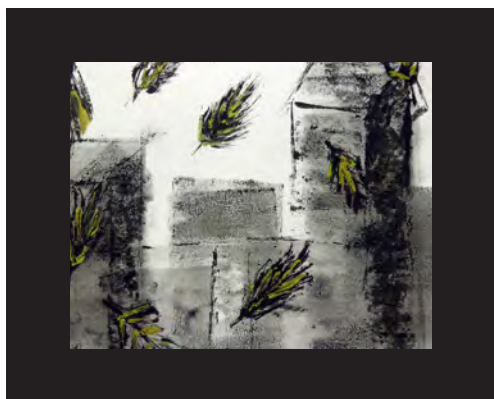
- » In the early fall season, gather your work and see what your strongest art works are to include them in your portfolio
- » Think about what else you could work on to make your portfolio well rounded and show what skills you've learned.
- » Ask fellow artists, teachers, and counselors for advice and show them what you have so far.
- » Mat or photograph your art, depending on what high schools are asking for.

## Artwork Matting and Label Samples

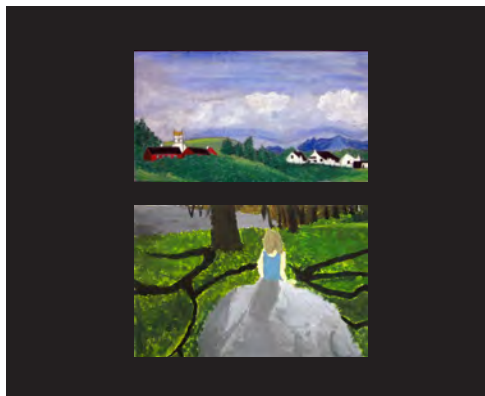
**SAMPLE A:** Artwork in portrait view centered and equally spaced on black mat board



**SAMPLE B:** Artwork in landscape view centered and equally spaced on black mat board



**SAMPLE C:** Two separate pieces of artwork in landscape view centered and evenly spaced on black mat board



**SAMPLE D:** Artwork label on lower left hand corner on back of black mat board



**SAMPLE E:** Artwork label information

Name:  
School:  
Title/Description:  
Date of work:  
Under supervision / Without supervision  
From observation / From imagination

## What happens if I don't get accepted?

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It is possible that your Specialized Art High Schools will not accept you. We know that this is a bad feeling. Please keep in mind that getting rejected from a school is not a reflection of your abilities.

Here are some things you can do to help you deal with possible rejection:

- » Keep your head up. Specialized High School admissions are subjective.
- » Congratulations on a great portfolio! You already accomplished a great feat by just organizing this amazing body of artwork and drastically improved on your existing art-making skills.

## WHAT ARE SOME OTHER ALTERNATIVES?

- » Transfer schools: Some schools such as LaGuardia and Art & Design High School allow you to apply in 9th Grade to enter as a 10th Grader.
- » Start or continue participating in After-school/Saturday Art Classes as well as Pre-College Art Programs. They will provide you with a quality art making experience as you continue on to develop your skills and then begin organizing your college portfolio.

## Art Materials and Stores in NYC

### SUGGESTED MATERIALS TO PURCHASE

- » Blick basic portfolio 23" x 31"
- » 8" x 10" or 11" x 14" drawing pad
- » 2B pencils
- » Color pencils
- » Kneaded erasers
- » Charcoal pencil
- » Black, grey or white railroad board  
22" x 28" 6 ply (mat board)
- » Artist tape
- » Basic watercolor pan set

### ART SUPPLY STORES IN NYC

#### MANHATTAN

- » **Artist & Craftsman Supply**  
artistcraftsman.com  
  
2108 Adam Clayton Powell Jr Blvd  
New York, NY 10027  
(212) 222-4700
- » **Blick Art Materials**  
dickblick.com  
  
1-5 Bond Street  
New York, NY 10012  
(212) 533-2444  
  
650 6th Ave  
New York  
(212) 524-9611
- » **DaVinci Art Supply**  
davinciartistsupply.com  
  
132 West 21st Street  
New York, NY 10011  
(212) 871-0220  
  
137 East 23rd Street  
New York, NY 10010  
(212) 982-8607  
  
170 East 70th Street  
New York, NY 10021  
212-452-4188

- » **Jerry's International Palette Shop**  
jerrypaletteshop.com  
  
111 Fourth Avenue  
New York, NY 10003  
(646) 678-5474
- » **Michaels Arts & Crafts**  
michaels.com  
  
808 Columbus Ave  
New York, NY 10025  
(212) 865-0813
- » **Utrecht Art Supply**  
utrechtart.com  
  
237 W 23rd Street  
New York, NY 10011  
(212) 675-8699  
  
148 Lafayette St  
New York  
(212) 431-3864  
  
21 E 13th St  
New York  
(212) 924-4136  
utrechtart.com

#### BROOKLYN

- » **Artist & Craftsman Supply**  
artistcraftsman.com  
  
761 Metropolitan Ave  
Brooklyn, NY 11211  
(718) 782-7765
- » **Utrecht Art Supply**  
utrechtart.com  
  
536 Myrtle Ave  
Brooklyn, NY 11205  
(718) 789-0308

#### QUEENS

- » **Artist & Craftsman Supply**  
artistcraftsman.com  
  
34-09 Queens Blvd.  
Long Island City, NY 11101  
(718) 433-4949
- » **Michaels Arts & Crafts**  
michaels.com  
  
5106 Northern Blvd  
Woodside, NY 11377  
(718) 371-0480



## Resources on the Web

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### GENERAL RESOURCES

**Joan Mitchell Foundation**

[www.joanmitchellfoundation.org](http://www.joanmitchellfoundation.org)

**New York Foundation for the Arts**

(Lists art opportunities, grants, and arts-related jobs/internships)

[www.nyfa.org](http://www.nyfa.org)

**Department of Education**

Directory of NYC Public High Schools and  
Specialized High Schools Student Handbook

<http://schools.nyc.gov/ChoicesEnrollment/High/default.htm>

### SCHOLARSHIP SEARCHES ONLINE

[www.college-scholarships.com](http://www.college-scholarships.com)

[www.scholarships.kachinatech.com](http://www.scholarships.kachinatech.com)

[www.collegenet.com](http://www.collegenet.com)

### REGIONAL ART SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES WITH ART PROGRAMS

**Bard**

[www.bard.edu](http://www.bard.edu)

**Buffalo State College, State University of New York**

[www.buffalostate.edu](http://www.buffalostate.edu)

**Cooper Union**

[www.cooper.edu](http://www.cooper.edu)

**Hunter College**

[www.hunter.cuny.edu/~art/](http://www.hunter.cuny.edu/~art/)

**Fashion Institute of Technology**

[www.fitnyc.edu](http://www.fitnyc.edu)

**Long Island University, C.W. Post**

[www.cwpost.liu.edu/cwis/cwp](http://www.cwpost.liu.edu/cwis/cwp)

**Pratt Institute**

[www.pratt.edu](http://www.pratt.edu)

**Parsons the New School for Design**

[www.parsons.edu](http://www.parsons.edu)

**Queens College, City University of New York**

[www.qc.cuny.edu/academics/art.php](http://www.qc.cuny.edu/academics/art.php)

**Syracuse University**

[www.syr.edu](http://www.syr.edu)

**State University of New York at Potsdam, NY**

[www.potsdam.edu](http://www.potsdam.edu)

**Rhode Island School of Design**

[www.risd.edu](http://www.risd.edu)

**Massachusetts College of Art**

[www.massart.edu](http://www.massart.edu)

**School of The Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA**

[www.smfa.edu](http://www.smfa.edu)

**School of Visual Arts**

[www.schoolofvisualarts.edu](http://www.schoolofvisualarts.edu)

**SUNY New Paltz**

[www.newpaltz.edu](http://www.newpaltz.edu)

**SUNY Purchase**

[www.purchase.edu](http://www.purchase.edu)

## **NYC ART MUSEUMS**

### **Asia Society**

[www.asiasocietymuseum.com](http://www.asiasocietymuseum.com)

### **Brooklyn Museum**

[www.brooklynmuseum.org](http://www.brooklynmuseum.org)

### **Cooper Hewitt**

[www.cooperhewitt.org](http://www.cooperhewitt.org)

### **Dahesh Museum of Art**

[www.daheshmuseum.org](http://www.daheshmuseum.org)

### **El Museo del Barrio**

[www.elmuseo.org](http://www.elmuseo.org)

### **Frick Collection**

[www.frick.org](http://www.frick.org)

### **Folk Art Museum**

[www.folkartmuseum.org](http://www.folkartmuseum.org)

### **Guggenheim Museum**

[www.guggenheim.org/new-york](http://www.guggenheim.org/new-york)

### **Jewish Museum**

[www.jewishmuseum.org](http://www.jewishmuseum.org)

### **Metropolitan Museum of Art**

[www.metmuseum.org](http://www.metmuseum.org)

### **MoMA PS1**

[www.ps1.org](http://www.ps1.org)

### **Museum for African Art**

[www.africanart.org](http://www.africanart.org)

### **Museum of Arts and Design**

[www.madmuseum.org](http://www.madmuseum.org)

### **Museum of Modern Art (MoMA)**

[www.moma.org](http://www.moma.org)

### **New Museum**

[www.newmuseum.org](http://www.newmuseum.org)

### **Queens Museum**

[www.queensmuseum.org](http://www.queensmuseum.org)

### **Socrates Sculpture Park**

[www.socratessculpturepark.org](http://www.socratessculpturepark.org)

### **Studio Museum in Harlem**

[www.studiomuseum.org](http://www.studiomuseum.org)

### **Schomburg Center of Research in Black Culture**

[www.nypl.org/locations/schomburg](http://www.nypl.org/locations/schomburg)

### **Museum of The City of New York**

[www.mcny.org](http://www.mcny.org)

### **Whitney Museum of Art**

[www.whitney.org](http://www.whitney.org)

## Middle School Portfolio Samples

Included are two portfolios by participants of our programs that have been recently accepted to NYC Specialized Art High Schools.

### Portfolio #1: Maya

**Attended:** Home-schooled for middle school

#### Participated in the following Joan Mitchell Foundation Art Education Programs:

- » Saturday Studios, Beginner Program  
Fall 2010 – Spring 2011  
Artist-Teacher: Carda Burke
- » Saturday Studios, Middle School level  
Spring 2012  
Artist-Teacher: Rick Diaz
- » Saturday Studios, Middle School level  
Fall 2012-Spring 2013  
Artist-Teacher: Rose Nestler
- » Summer Intensive, 2013  
Artist-Teacher: Jaqueline Cedar
- » Middle School Portfolio Prep at Museum of Art & Design  
Fall 2013  
Artist-Teacher: Jaqueline Cedar
- » Saturday Studio, Portfolio Class  
Fall 2013-Spring 2014  
Artist-Teacher: Anne Polashenski

#### Applied to:

- » Marymount High School
- » Art and Design High School
- » Brooklyn Latin High School

#### Plans to Attend:

- » Brooklyn Latin High School



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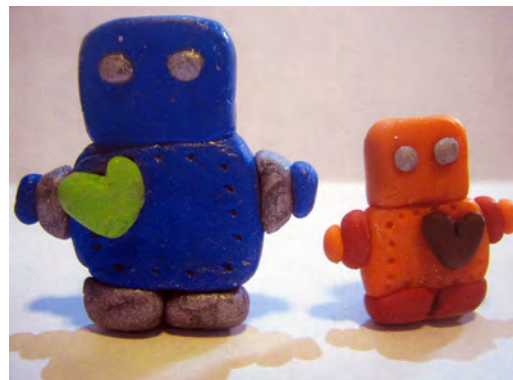
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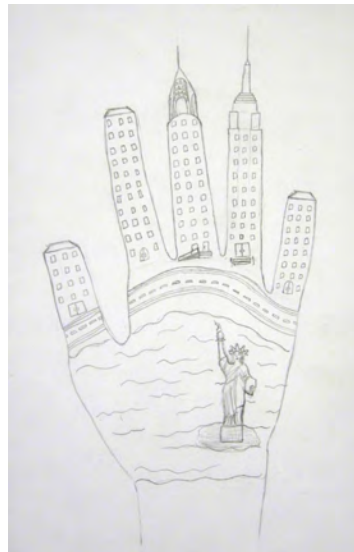
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## Portfolio #2: Rebecca

**Attended:** P.S./I.S. 266

**Participated in the following Joan Mitchell Foundation Art Education Programs:**

- » Saturday Studios, Middle School Level  
Fall 2011  
Artist-Teacher: Lauren Luloff
- » Summer Intensive  
2012  
Artist-Teacher: Jaqueline Cedar
- » Saturday Studios, Middle School Level  
Fall 2012-Spring 2013  
Artist-Teacher: Lauren Luloff
- » Summer Intensive  
2013  
Artist-Teacher: Jaqueline Cedar
- » Middle School Portfolio Prep at Museum of Art & Design  
Fall 2013  
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- » Saturday Studios, Middle School Level  
Fall 2013-Spring 2014  
Artist-Teacher: Gretchen Scherer

**Applied to:**

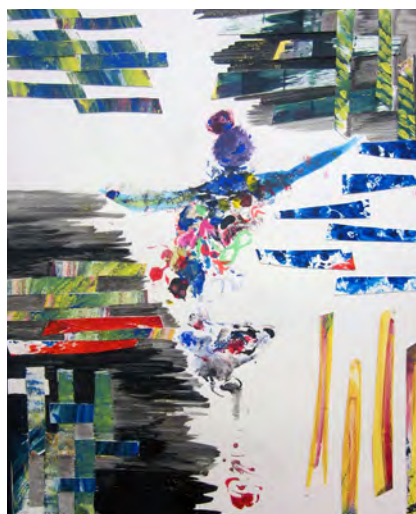
- » Frank Sinatra High School
- » LaGuardia High School

**Plans to Attend:**

- » Frank Sinatra High School



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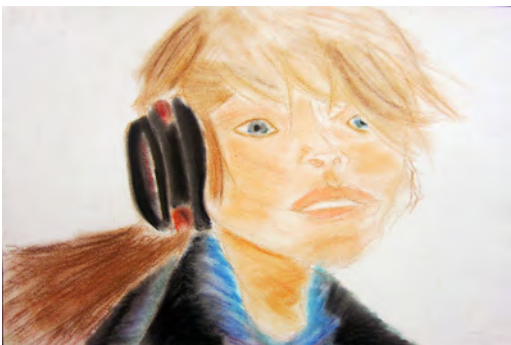


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## Portfolio #3: Nina

**Attended:** JHS 185 Edward Bleecker School

**Participated in the following Joan Mitchell  
Foundation Art Education Programs:**

- » Summer Portfolio Intensive  
2014  
Artist-Teacher: Jacqueline Cedar
- » Middle School Portfolio Prep at Museum of Art & Design  
Fall 2014  
Artist-Teacher: Jacqueline Cedar
- » Saturday Studio, Middle School Level  
Fall 2014 – Spring 2015  
Artist-Teacher: Anne Polashenski

**Applied To:**

- » Fiorello H. LaGuardia High School

**Plans to Attend:**

- » Fiorello H. LaGuardia High School



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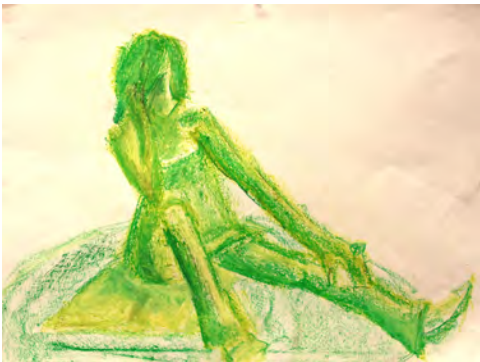


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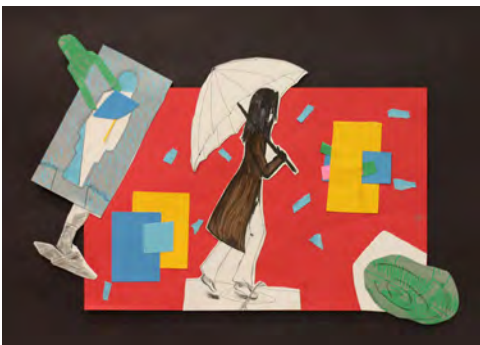




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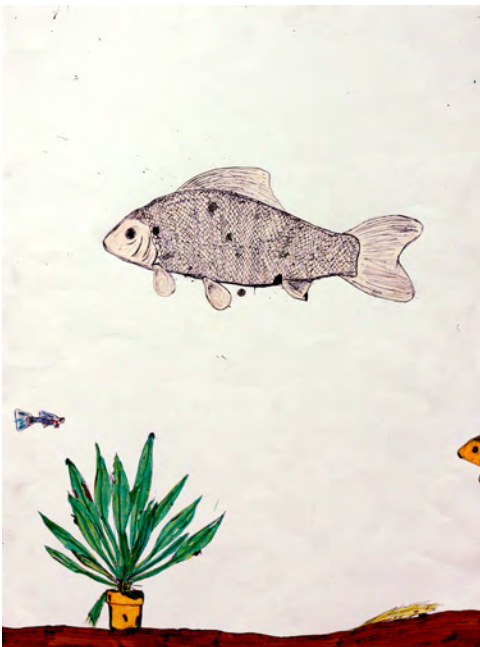
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## Portfolio #4: Wilson

**Attended:** IS 93 Ridgewood Middle School

**Classes Participated In:**

- » Saturday Studio, Middle School Level  
Fall 2010 – Spring 2011  
Artist-Teacher: Ryan Doberstein
- » Saturday Studio, Middle School Level  
Fall 2011– Spring 2012  
Artist-Teacher: Ryan Doberstein
- » Saturday Studio, Middle School Level  
Fall 2012– Spring 2013  
Artist-Teacher: Anne Polashenski
- » Summer Portfolio Intensive  
2013  
Artist-Teacher: Jacqueline Cedar
- » Saturday Studio, Middle School Level  
Fall 2013– Spring 2014  
Artist-Teacher: Ryan Doberstein
- » Summer Portfolio Intensive  
2013  
Artist-Teacher: Jacqueline Cedar
- » Middle School Portfolio Prep at Museum of Art & Design  
Fall 2014  
Artist-Teacher: Jacqueline Cedar
- » Saturday Studio, Middle School Level  
Fall 2014– Spring 2015  
Artist-Teacher: Anne Polashenski

**Applied To:**

- » High School of Art & Design

**Plans to Attend:**

- » High School of Art & Design



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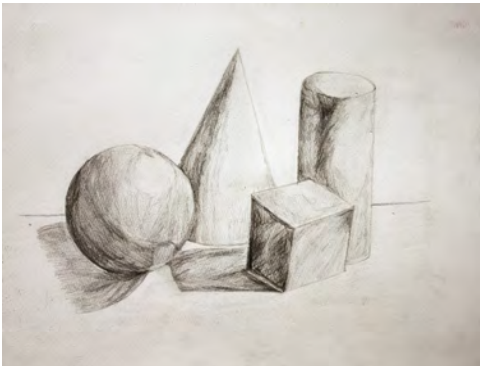




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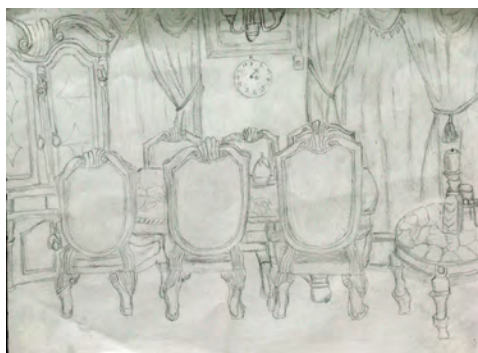
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