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DARE TO GO BEYOND



Well Summer is the D2GB School accomplished amazing things. has been full of inspiring well strengthening our relationships with our RL team. Each and every person who has participated this past month has made an impact on the youth we reach...and I am grateful for each of you. Take a look at inside this newsletter to see what we've been able to accomplish...and:

in full swing and Arts Program has some pretty This past month planning with our collaborators as

D2GB School Arts Program Newsletter

"Making a difference through the Arts."

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"...THE WAY OF DREAMERS..."

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9:30am to 3:30pm

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RL + Dr. Izquierdo Health & Science Charter School "Bullying vs. Ensemble Building" Workshop finishes strong...

I feel I need to take this moment to highlight the hard work of our RL team and specifically Yaremis Felix & Reza Salazar for doing an outstanding job as our Guest Ensemble teachers for this workshop. Their dedication and commitment to the students of Dr. Izquierdo Health & Science Charter made a significant impact not only on the students, but they also exemplified how we can make a difference on an entire community. Throughout this workshop, the D2GB School Arts Program faced numerous challenges. From the logistics of where the school was located, to the students, to the teachers of the school themselves, we found ourselves "on the front lines" in this workshop...and I am proud to say we fought the good fight. Through every session the RL team grew in our abilities and we learned from our experiences. My words just don't seem like enough to express the thanks I feel to each and every volunteer and participant. You all brought your individuality and art to these students in an attempt to show them that there is another way to address conflict and build ensemble. Thank you for being brave, for being vulnerable, and for being strong. Your communication with me and with each other kept us moving forward in our attempts to "make a safe space" for these students to discuss and reflect about their experiences with bullying.

- Jose Restrepo - D2GB School Arts Program Coordinator

We were able to just crack the surface on the issues this school is facing, but the fact of the matter is that this is that this is a school community that is set in their ways...so for us to elicit real changes in behaviors, it will take more than just a 5 week workshop. It is going to take the school, the students, and the parents, to come together and face these behaviors as a unified community and say "we can go BEYOND." My hope is that we have inspired the school community to take action in some way, and continue to bravely face the problems they are encountering.

To culminate our workshop, our teachers along with some of our RL volunteers who participated in these workshops, visited the school for their "Moving Up" ceremony on June 28th. And even in this final moment, we were able to be an instrument of evolution. Yaremis Felix along with Reza Salazar were able to perform an adaptation of "Our Deepest Fear" in front the students peers as well as the school's teachers & administration despite the fears of the administration. Throughout this process, RL proved once again, that art can and does make a difference, no matter how small, in the lives of youths...



Hanley Smith, Yaremis Feliz, & Reza Salazar

Camp Sponsors and Supporters

The D2GB Children's Performing Arts Camp is possible through the generosity of the Herman Goldman Foundation. 2012 camp supporters Broadway Cares/Equity Fights AIDS, Pearl Studios, PopChips, La Vida es Chevere, BWS students and RL's team of volunteers.



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- We incorporate lessons in **health awareness, science, and math through physical activity, exploration of movement, and music interpretation**. The theme for this year is **Imagination**.
- By **inspiring and empowering** the children through interaction with these professional artists, we create **future leaders**.

The D2GB Camp Pledge

I pledge to...

- **Dare to Go Beyond** by taking risks, accepting challenges and pushing past limits that would keep me from trying my best.
- **Commit** to pursuing my own goals and understanding that my success is measured by challenging and competing with only myself.
- **Respect** those who have committed time and talent to teaching me, to the learning process and my peers by arriving early, listening and being considerate of others time and space.
- **Believe** that "I can" and to understand that mistakes happen and are necessary to help us learn.
- **Support** myself as well as others by working together with my group and learning from those around me.

Meet our Teachers

Anika Larsen (*Avenue Q*), Antoine L. Smith (*Memphis*) Arielle Rosales (*Juxtapole*), Becky Baumwoll (*Broken Box Mime Company*), Carlos Gonzalez (*In the Heights, Zapata*) Christina Black (*In The Heights(1st National Tour)*), Danielle Pretsfelder (*Nickelodeon*), Elasea Douglas (*Fela*), Elena Gutierrez (*Mamma Mia*), Elizabeth Lucas (*Zapata!*), Enrique Segura (*Lion King*), Grisel Pren Monje (*Zapata*), James Harkness (*Guys and Dolls, Dreamgirls*), Jerome Harmann (*Kiss of the Spiderwoman & Swing!*), JonRua (*Hands on A Hard Body, In the Heights*), Jose Ortiz aka Dr. Drum (*BombaYo*), Kat Sherrell (*In The Heights*), Leslie Feliciano (*Choreographer/Teacher Broadway Dance Center*) Michael Balderrama (*Ghost, In the Heights*), Luis Salgado, (*Women on the Verge, In The Heights, Candela*), Michelle Brugal (*Lion King*), Reza Salazar (*See Girl Run, The Imperialists Are Still Alive!*), Rickey Tripp (*"SMASH", In The Heights*), Suni Reyes (*Celia the Musical, La Barberia*), Stephanie Klemons (*Bring It On, In The Heights*), Valeria Cossu (*DC7- The Roberto Clemente Story, Candela*)