

TEEN SPOT

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Spring 2010 Performing & Visual Arts Program for Youth, ages 12-18 March 1 - May 20, 2010, Monday - Thursday 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Comprised of three different areas of study – dance, visual arts and theater, Teen Spot is a dynamic arts program. Students choose one of the three disciplines to study each semester. During the 12 week semester, they interact with professional artists and learn specific artistic techniques. At the culmination of the program, the students showcase their work for family and friends.

With programs like Teen Spot, JCAL champions the role the arts play in building creativity, confidence, character and a well-rounded education. Teen Spot parents find that success in the arts helps their children believe that they can succeed elsewhere – even in school. Exhibiting their work, performing a monologue, or dancing a solo provides a sense of accomplishment that builds self-esteem, improves communication skills, and reinforces teamwork.

Students may enroll in ONE of the following:

Mondays and Tuesdays (4:00-6:00PM)

VISUAL ARTS

Paint! Draw! Sculpt! Explore a variety of art mediums as you create your own art and express your creativity! Work in JCAL's studios and visit its art gallery. Meet professional artists and get connected to the art world.

THEATER

Think on your feet. Get into character. Learn to act and perform. Course activities include improv and vocal exercises, scene study and theater games. Explore classical playwrights such as William Shakespeare and Chekhov, as well as contemporaries like Lynn Nottage, August Wilson and Nilo Cruz.

Wednesdays and Thursdays (4:00-6:00PM)

DANCE

Study with New York-based professional dancers and choreographers. Learn a variety of dance styles, such as Ballet, Jazz, Modern, Afro-Caribbean and Hip Hop. Choreograph an original solo or group routine. Prior dance experience is not necessary. Beginner and advanced dancers are welcome. (A placement audition is held on the first day of class to determine ability.)

Special Offer

A limited number of need-based scholarships to cover the registration fee are available.
See page 6 for more details.

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- Return the completed application form with all required documents and \$50 registration fee by March 4th
 - \$50 registration fee is **non-refundable**.
 - A submitted application does not guarantee acceptance. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
 - Programs and scheduling are subject to change.
 - Contact Program Coordinator, Alex Julien at (718) 658-7400 x112 or ajulien@jcal.org for information.
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Date Application Received:	Init:
Method of Payment:	Init:
Date of Acceptance:	Init:

After School Arts Program, Spring 2010

Registration Form

(Please fill out ALL of the information in ink and print clearly)

Student & Parent Information

Students Name: _____ (Circle) Male / Female Age: _____ D.O.B ____/____/____

Home Address: _____ Apt: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Home Phone: _____ Student Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____

Parent/Guardian Name (Mr., Ms., Mrs.): _____ Relationship: _____

Work Phone: _____ Mobile phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Please complete the following if different from students address above:

Address: _____ Apt: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Student's School Information

School Name (or GED program): _____ City: _____ Grade: _____

Graduation Year: _____ Time Your Last Class Lets Out: _____ Time Student Will Arrive to Teen Spot: _____

Do you have any other commitments during the week that would prevent you from attending or arriving on time? If so, please explain: _____

Please number the course you would like to take in preference order from 1-3: If you are accepted to the program, we will try to honor your preference, but we cannot guarantee your first choice. Preference will be given based upon experience and age.

Dance _____ **Theater** _____ **Visual Arts** _____

For Returning Students:

Which classes did you attend in the past?

Example: Dance B, Summer, 2008

Class	Semester	Year

ALL students should complete the following:

1. What are your artistic and career goals?

2. What expectations do you have for the program? Please describe 3 things that you would like to learn at Teen Spot.

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CONSENT FORM

As part of the JCAL community, the emotional and physical well-being of your child is our highest priority. JCAL upholds to provide your child: supervision by JCAL staff, while in the JCAL facility and outside during field trips; modeling of mutual respect amongst your child, their peers, and all JCAL staff; and safety precautions and proper emergency protocols for each classroom.

Health Protocols

Please state if your child has any special learning needs, health concerns or physical restrictions that we should be aware of and list any medication that he or she is currently taking. (For example: asthma, ADHD, autism, physical handicap, etc) ***We do not exclude students from Teen Spot based upon their physical or learning needs, but we must be aware of them in order to insure the best learning environment for your child.

Health/PhysicalConcerns: _____

Learning needs: _____

Emergency Contact Information

In the case of an emergency, the primary parent or guardian will always be called first. Please state where to contact the primary parent or guardian while Teen Spot is in session from Monday through Thursday, from 4pm to 6pm.

Primary Contact Information

Parent / Guardian Name (Mr., Miss, Ms. Mrs.): _____ Relationship: _____ Phone: _____

Alternate Emergency Contact

Name (Mr., Ms., Mrs.): _____ Relationship: _____ Phone : _____

I understand and am in agreement with all the rules and regulations of the program which include workshops, performances, lectures, exhibitions and off-site trips via walking and/or subway. I (we) hereby give my (our) child _____ permission to participate in the JCAL (Jamaica Center for Arts & Learning) **Teen Spot After-School Arts program**. I understand that if my child violates any rule of the program this could result in his/her discharge from this program. I (we) hereby release Jamaica Center for Arts & Learning and any of its employees from responsibility for any claims, damages, expenses or injuries including death, which might occur to my child or others through participation in any of the activities associated with Jamaica Center for Arts & Learning. I understand that JCAL is not responsible for the whereabouts of my child if he/she chooses not to attend class and is not in the JCAL facilities.

I hereby give Jamaica Center for Arts & Learning, its successors and assigns, my unrestricted permission to use any videotape or still photographs taken of my (our) child for the purpose of publicity and/or documentation and related to materials created by or for the interest, marketing, or promotion of the Jamaica Center for Arts & Learning and its programs which may include workshops, performances, lecturers or exhibitions.

I have thoroughly read the registration and consent form, acceptance letter, questionnaire and video/photo release clause and accept all conditions.

Print Name of Parent/Guardian _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print Student's Name _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Signatures are required in order to participate.

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Student Demographics Survey

Dear Parent:

As you know, the Jamaica Center for Arts & Learning is a 38-year-old non-profit arts center that provides a variety of visual arts, education, and performing arts programs. Thanks to funding from the government, private foundations, and businesses, JCAL is able to offer these exciting programs, including Teen Spot, free or at a minimal cost. As a condition for receiving funding, these organizations require that we collect information from our constituents for reporting purposes. All surveys and documentation provided will be kept confidential.

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Student's Ethnicity

Asian Black/African American Hispanic/Latino Native American

White/ Non-Hispanic Other (please specify) _____

Parent's Education

High School Graduate GED Some College

College Graduate Other _____

Annual Household Income

JCAL relies on public and private funding to provide your children with opportunities to participate in enriching programs, like Teen Spot. This year, due to new funding requirements, ALL students will be required to submit proof of annual household income. Please be assured that this information will be kept strictly confidential and will not be used to determine eligibility for admittance in the program. This information will only be used to verify the demographics of our student population as required by our funders. If you have any questions or concerns regarding these requirements, please feel free to contact Program Coordinator, Alex Julien at (718) 658-7400 x112.

Annual Household Income: _____

Number of Persons in Household: _____

Please attach one of the following as proof of your annual household income:

- Current pay check stub (black-out social security number)
- Most recent federal income tax return (only include a copy of the first page with social security number blacked-out)
- Wage and tax statement (W-2 form) (black-out social security number)
- Proof of participation in a state of federal assistance programs such as Public Housing Assistance, Food Stamps, and Medicaid, among others.

Important Notice

This year, a limited number of need-based Teen Spot **scholarships** are available.

If you meet the income requirements below, you will not be required to pay the Teen Spot registration fee. Look for the number of persons in your household. If your household's gross income is equal or less than the corresponding Income Limit, then you will qualify for one of Teen Spot scholarships.

Persons in Household	Income Limit
1	\$21,660
2	\$29,140
3	\$36,620
4	\$44,100
5	\$51,580
6	\$59,060
7	\$66,540
8	\$74,020

For household with more than 8 persons, add \$7,480 for each additional person.

If you have any questions about this exciting opportunity, please contact Program Coordinator, Alex Julien at (718) 658-7400 x112 or ajulien@jcal.org for information.

HURRY...the number of scholarships available is limited!!!