

ANGELICA PERFORMING ARTS PROGRAM

“LIVE OUT LOUD”

AN OPPORTUNITY FOR NEW YORK CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

MISSION:

To enhance the lives of economically disadvantaged patients in need of long-term medical care and to support long-term medical care facilities. We are presently focused on improving the lives of residents at Coler-Goldwater Hospital and Nursing Facility (CGSHNF) on Roosevelt Island in New York City.

THE PERFORMING ARTS PROGRAM:

“Live Out Loud” (LOL), brings performing arts students from local high schools to the hospital to provide entertainment and special events for patients, including live music, dance, choral performances, theater and musical theater.

SINCE THE CREATION OF THIS PROGRAM, PATIENTS HAVE ENJOYED:

- Electrifying tap dance shows, courtesy of The American Tap Dance Foundation’s Tap City Youth Ensemble;
- Moore Catholic High School’s production of Frank Loesser’s *Guys & Dolls*;
- A harmonious morning of gospel music sung by the Brooklyn High School Chorus.

After the performance, this program offers a social time for the students to mingle with patients and have refreshments. The goal of this segment of the program is to foster a deeper understanding of our community among students and discover one another on a more personal level.

THE PERFORMING ARTS PROGRAM IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR STUDENTS AND SCHOOLS IN A NUMBER OF WAYS:

Community Service: Students can express their artistic, theatrical and musical talent while gaining credit for serving less fortunate individuals at a community organization in a joyful and positive way. Beyond credit, they are also learning philanthropic values.

Audience Experience: Performing in front of alternative audiences is an excellent experience for students of the performing arts. As professionals, they may be expected to perform at senior centers, Hospitals and other non-traditional venues. This experience gives young, pre-professional performers a head start.

Dress Rehearsal: Directors of Student troupes may decide to perform their dress rehearsal at Coler-Goldwater so students get comfortable performing in front of an audience before Opening Night.

Fundraising Bonus: This experience may help schools augment their fundraising as the City Council and Borough President’s Offices like to see this kind of activity listed in funding applications.

Conclusion: Live Out Loud, Angelica’s Performing Arts Program, is an unique opportunity and an exceptional experience for students and patients alike. The patients are suspended from their usual routine to enjoy an exhilarating afternoon of entertainment and students gain a special occasion to perform. After the performance, the exchange between patients and students is both rewarding, educational and fun.

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