

# In the community

## The Art Students League of New York host weekly class for kids ages (8-12)

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The Art Students League of New York started by artists for artists in 1875, host a weekly class for children (ages 8-12) every Saturday from 1pm-4:30 pm in Manhattan. The “Young Artists” class provides adolescents the opportunity to develop their eyes, hands, and minds as artists.

“Young Artists” is taught by Marilyn J Friedman who studied drawing, painting, and sculpture at the Art Students League of New York attended Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture and the University of Siena, Italy and received a B.A. in Art History and Sculpture from Stony Brook University.

Friedman’s work is exhibited at galleries and sculpture gardens throughout the Northeast and she has won numerous grants and awards for her portrait, figurative and abstract works.

Using drawing as the main foundation, young artists learn to observe, interpret, and design. Projects incorporate a broad range of approaches to traditional and non-traditional subjects, working with mediums such as: graphite, charcoal, colored pencil, marker, ink, watercolor, wax resist, assemblage, and collage. More information visit <https://www.theartstudentsleague.org/class/young-artists-class-2/>



### Introducing

## Gwen Black, renowned curator and visual artist



Popular community radio personality, curator and visual artist Gwen Black, states “my beginnings started at a very young age. I have always been in love with drawing and coloring. My favorite past time was to collect paper dolls and mix and match their clothes—ironically years later I began my career as a Fashion

Illustrator.

“As a graduate of the Art Institute of Pittsburgh and the Fashion Institute of Technology (FIT), I have merged both fine art, fashion and music in my work. My father was an aspiring musician, so I am deeply inspired by Jazz music and it has been a constant theme in my work. I believe art and music

can make a difference in our lives and has the power to heal!

“Over the past 25 plus years, I have had the opportunity to present art in a variety of spaces. As a curator, I tell a story and share with audiences works of art that I hope will inspire and excite them. Through my work as a curator, I have had the opportunity to meet new

people, make new friends and work with artists of diverse backgrounds.

“As an educator, teaching artist and co-founder of IAM (Incorporation of Artists on the Move, Inc), I have been blessed to work throughout our community working with youths, seniors, and especially persons with disabilities.

“It brings me joy to see people get inspired to create and discover their own talents too! Art and music makes a difference in our lives, bridges our communities and allows us to see the world around us!

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