



Community Arts Tuesdays

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BCA presents COMMUNITY ARTS TUESDAY in Westchester Square
Join us April 29, 2014, 6:00-8:00pm, at BCA @ 2700
In Celebration of National Poetry Month

(April 15, 2014—Bronx) The Bronx Council on the Arts (BCA) invites you to our April 29th's **COMMUNITY ARTS TUESDAY** from 6:00-8:00pm, at BCA @ 2700 East Tremont Avenue (at St. Raymond Avenue) in the Westchester Square section of the Bronx. Join us, as we celebrate **National Poetry Month** with an Open Mic hosted by Reph Star and Patty Dukes, Big Read performances with musical group Circa 95 (Reph Star and Patty Dukes) and storyteller and BCA BRIO winner Jamali Corniel. The evening will include a Big Read Book Giveaway! Refreshments will be served. Admission is free and all are welcome. **RSVP:** 042914poetrycat.eventbrite.com or 718-931-9500 x12 or x33.

Hailing from NYC, **Circa '95** is an independent Hip-Hop music and media group comprised of **Patty Dukes** and **Reph Star**. The duo has performed all over the world gracing the stage with artists like KRS-One, Pitbull, NinaSky, Joel Ortiz, Anita Tijoux and Mala Rodriguez. They recently released their first album "FREE LUNCH" which is available through their website www.circa95.com. When not performing or creating in the studio, they teach Hip-Hop, Theater, and Mixed Media Arts to young people throughout New York City. They also curate The Circa '95 Pop-Up Shop, a lifestyle store encouraging music, art, culture and wellness throughout the community. Circa '95 is currently touring and in the studio working on their next project. They are next up and poised to make their mark on the world with that classic New York sound.



Jamali Corniel is the Artistic Director of the Herbert H. Dance Company at Lehman College. Past company credits include *SALIGIA: The 7 Deadly Sins* (2010), *Stand Clear of the Closing Doors* (2011), and *Scratch Off* (2012). *Man With a Hat and a Tan*, a solo play written and performed by Corniel, was produced and directed by Dante Albertie for the Bronx Solo Performance Festival in 2011. Past performance credits at Lehman include *SUMMERWORX* and *LEHMANDANCE '08*, directed by Amy Larimer and *Out of the Mouths of Babes* written and directed by Dante Albertie. Since 2005, Corniel has volunteered her time as a dance instructor to young girls at Groove With Me. She has taught in other NYC areas and in 2009, traveled to Venezuela to teach dance workshops to children living in Puerto La Cruz.

This evening's Community Arts Tuesday is one of BCA's many Big Read in the Bronx activities occurring through May 12th, including several book discussions and giveaways, writing workshops, theatrical readings, and expert lectures based on Zora Neale Hurston's classic novel *Their Eyes Were Watching God*. Visit www.bronxarts.org for information on all the upcoming Big Read in the Bronx events.

COMMUNITY ARTS TUESDAYS are networking opportunities to gather with our Westchester Square neighbors and friends, introduce the BCA staff and rub elbows with members of the newly formed Westchester Square BID.

Directions: BCA @ 2700 is located at 2700 East Tremont Avenue (corner of St. Raymond Avenue) in the Westchester Square section of the Bronx. BX 40 & 42 buses stop right in front of the building. Stops for BX 4, 8, 21 and 31 buses and the #6 subway are within blocks of the building. **Information:** 718-931-9500 x 12 or 33.

A pioneering advocate for cultural equity for 50+ years, the **Bronx Council on the Arts** has nurtured the development of artists and arts organizations while building strong cultural connections in and beyond the Bronx. BCA is a private, non-profit membership organization designated the official cultural agency of Bronx County. Recognized nationally as a leading arts service organization providing cultural services and arts programs, BCA serves a multicultural constituency of almost 1.4 million and provides an array of services to over 5,000 artists and more than 250 arts and community-based organizations.

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