



SU-CASA 2017

Site # 4 BronxWorks- Morris Innovative Senior Center

Senior Center Contact Information

Name of Senior Center: **BronxWorks- Morris Innovative Senior Center**
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Senior Center General Information

Hours open daily, Monday – Friday: 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM
 Is it possible to offer programming on weekends or evenings? Y N
 If yes, please describe: _____
 Days/hours when arts programming *cannot* take place or is inadvisable (e.g., conflicts with lunch or other popular programming): **Breakfast (8:30 am to 10:00 AM) Lunch (12:00 to 1:30 PM).**
 Total # of participants/center members: **2,258** Average daily # of participants/members: **150-170**
 Do you have a large number of non-English speaking senior members? Y N
 If yes, are you interested in artists who speak a second language, if available? Y N
 If yes, please specify your language needs **Spanish**

Arts Programming

Please indicate arts or cultural programming that *currently* takes place at the senior center, as well as programs that are desired. You may request additional programs in an area where your center already provides a program, and may select as many choices as you wish.

PROGRAM TYPE	CURRENTLY OFFERED AT MY CENTER	WOULD LIKE TO OFFER AT MY CENTER
Instrumental music instruction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Chorus / Singing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dance instruction	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Theater / Performance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Writing/ Memoir / Poetry	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Painting	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sculpture	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Textiles (knitting, weaving, etc)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other visual art instruction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Filmmaking	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other digital arts instruction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other (please indicate)		



Space Available for Arts Programming

Briefly describe the space(s) where SU-CASA arts programming for seniors could take place: Morris ISC has a very large Multi-purpose room located on the lower level of the Senior Center, that can be utilized for the SU-CASA Program.

What other activities take place there now, if any? Arts & Crafts, Manual Arts, Dance, Yoga, Painting, Exercise and TV Room.

Can the available space be made private and/or for exclusive use for SU-CASA?: Y N

If the space is shared, please describe: _____

Days/hours when the space is available: **Monday, Tuesdays & Thursdays from 8:00 am to 12:00 PM; Tuesday & Wednesday 1:30 PM to 4:00 PM**

The space is locked/secure when not in use: Y N

Water/sink is accessible in the space or near the space: Y N

There are windows in the space: Y N

There is storage space (e.g. a locked cabinet or closet) available for SU-CASA: Y N

The space has electrical outlets: Y N

Size of the space: Small Medium Large

Additional comments regarding the available space: The room was recently renovated with great lighting.

The senior center can currently provide the following facilities (check all that apply):

Access to a working kiln

Access to a working piano

Access to a "stage" (briefly describe):

Gallery/exhibition space (briefly describe):

Practice/performance space
(is it a wood floor? Y N)

Space for a public event (briefly describe):

(briefly describe: MISC has a very large multi-purpose room that can be used for performance practices. MISC also, has a very large dining room for all performances.

MISC has a very large dining room that hold 150 people.

Storage space for the artist's materials/equipment – e.g. a locked cabinet or closet

Access to computers for senior participants

Access to wireless or computer internet



Senior Center Narrative

Please describe the culture and activity of your center. What is it like on a daily basis? How would you characterize your senior members' level of energy and engagement?

Morris ISC serves over 150 older Individuals on a daily bases. Our population is very diverse and energetic. Although, most of our participants are of Hispanic origin, the participants love to dance, sing and engage in health related activities, like exercise and Aerobic exercise.

How do you believe the SU-CASA program would benefit your members and your center? What do you hope to gain?

I believe that the SU-CASA program can benefit our Innovative senior center members by providing awareness and knowledge of the diversity in Cultural Arts. I believe that fantastic Cultural Arts can be Bomba & Plena Dance. The Artist can educate the participants of the origin of the dance and how the drums speak to the dancer and/or the dancer speaks to the drums. This cultural dance can and will engage participants in the Art of culture and dance.

What is the best way to introduce new programs at your center? How would you work with the SU-CASA arts partner to introduce the program to your center and recruit members to participate?

Myself and Program Specialist will work and in hand with the Artist to introduce him/her to the congregation. In addition, we will help the Artist create fliers and promote the cultural Arts sessions to the participants.