For over twenty years, BAC has been a leader in fostering arts education in schools, senior centers, and community venues across New York City. Our professional teaching artists bring K-12 students, teachers, parents, seniors, and community members hands-on arts classes in a full range of arts disciplines, including dance, digital media, theater, music, visual, and literary arts. Through our artist residencies, workshops, and performances, BAC provides and promotes quality arts education programs that:

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High school students celebrate the culmination of their photography residency.
WORKING WITH US
Our Arts in Education staff will collaborate with you to develop a customized program that addresses your artistic, academic, and social learning goals, while keeping in mind your available resources.

The residencies and workshops presented are examples meant to inspire you and serve as a springboard for the learning possibilities at your site. Please contact us to collaborate on a program of your own design.

All residencies and workshops support the NYC Blueprint for Teaching and Learning in the Arts and Common Core State Standards, providing students with the opportunity to develop 21st century skills such as listening, paying focused attention, analyzing what they see, watching for non-verbal cues, and asking relevant questions.

To book a residency or workshop, contact Arts in Education Director Philip A. Alexander at 718.625.0080 x234 or palexander@brooklynartscouncil.org

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Fourth and fifth grade students pose after their culminating performance, part of a Creative Movement residency.
DANCE RESIDENCIES

Dance refines coordination, focus, poise and creativity. Through dance, students improve their physical fitness, learn dedication, and gain discipline and self-esteem.

SAMPLE DANCE RESIDENCIES:
- Dance Foundations
- Creative Movement
- Indian
- Mexican
- African
- Contemporary
- Flamenco
- Polynesian
- Tap

WHAT ARE STUDENTS & PARENTS SAYING?
“Dancing is fun. It makes us confident and enthusiastic.”
–Indian Dance Student

“My son would show me the dance steps he remembered. I’m sure he’d like to do this again, because he had a lot of fun.”
–Parent of Mexican Dance Residency Student
DIGITAL MEDIA RESIDENCIES

Digital media residencies integrate art and technology, enhancing students’ 21st century skills. Participants develop their ability to depict ideas, communicate, and collaborate in a variety of mediums.

SAMPLE DIGITAL MEDIA RESIDENCIES:
- Stop-motion animation
- Digital photography
- Digital filmmaking
- PSA-style documentary

WHAT ARE STUDENTS SAYING?
“I learned that we don’t all see things the same way. I have the power to look at something and make it beautiful.”
- Digital Photography Student

“I learned in animation to take small shots.”
- Stop-Motion Animation Student
Theatrical expression improves students’ self-control, presentation and language skills, as well as understanding of ensemble work and spatial awareness. It also allows students to explore self-expression in a safe environment.

**SAMPLE THEATER RESIDENCES:**
- Devised Theater
- Theater Performance
- Storytelling
- Puppetry
- Playwriting
- Physical Theater/Clowning
- Directing Theater

**WHAT ARE STUDENTS & PARTNER TEACHERS SAYING?**

“We learned how to be ourselves. Acting is your choice. You have to work for it!”
- *Theater Student*

“The skills they learned and practiced can be used in the classroom and at home. They learned to listen to each other and compromise.”
- *Physical Theater/Clowning Partner Teacher*
Music instruction builds an array of skills. It not only hones listening and mathematical skills, but provides essential insight into the genre’s cultural relevance and students’ understanding of working as an ensemble.

**SAMPLE MUSIC RESIDENCIES:**
- African Drumming
- Chorus
- Songwriting
- Violin
- Musical Theater
- Rock Band
- Contemporary & Traditional Percussion

**WHAT ARE STUDENTS SAYING?**
"I learned team work and two instruments. The Teaching Artist helped us keep on the beat."
- Rock Band Student

"I was really inspired...each music had a mood and feeling to it. I hope I go to music next year."
- Songwriting Student
VISUAL ARTS RESIDENCIES

With so many media and modalities to explore, the visual arts present almost limitless opportunities to expand critical thinking, spatial reasoning, fine motor skills, and creativity.

SAMPLE VISUAL ARTS RESIDENCIES:
- Painting/Drawing
- Printmaking
- Mixed Media
- Mural
- Mosaics
- Textile Arts
- Sculpture
- Ceramics

WHAT ARE STUDENTS & PARENTS SAYING?
“When I started finger knitting, it was frustrating, but I kept trying and now I could do it with my eyes closed.”
– Textile Arts Student

“I’m surprised to see this work. Before this, my son wasn’t involved in art, and now he keeps painting!”
- Parent of Mural Residency Student
LITERARY RESIDENCIES

Ignite a passion for the written, creative word through any one of a large array of literary art forms. This discipline offers a multitude of possibilities and is particularly effective at stimulating enthusiasm for English Language Arts (ELA) and engaging English Language Learners (ELLs).

SAMPLE LITERARY RESIDENCIES:
- Poetry
- Fiction writing
- Collaborative Stories
- Playwriting

SAMPLE CROSS-DISCIPLINE LITERARY RESIDENCIES:
- Story-writing and Illustration
- Poetry and Dance
- Graphic novels
- Book Arts

Elementary students exhibit their handmade accordion book.

BAC Teaching Artist engages fifth grade students in discussing playwriting techniques.
Enhance your student residency with a hands-on workshop for teachers or parents. Workshops can be conducted in all arts disciplines: dance, digital media, theater, music, visual, and literary arts.

**TEACHERS & STAFF:**
Professional Development (PD) Workshops can stand alone, offering creative techniques that teachers can use in the classroom to heighten student excitement and strengthen student retention, and they can enhance existing arts or other programming in the school.

**PARENTS:**
Parent Engagement Workshops are a fun and enticing reason to participate in the school community, and they give parents tools to support learning at home. They are facilitated as parent-child projects, giving parents an occasion to engage creatively with their children. Workshops can also be designed as adults-only, allowing an opportunity for parents and caregivers to think creatively, to develop personal connections to the arts, and to build community.

**SAMPLE WORKSHOP IDEAS:**
- Expression through Dance
- Puppet Making & Storytelling
- Collaborative Artmaking
- Literacy Connections through Art

Parents participate in a dance exercise, led by a BAC Teaching Artist, during a West African Dance workshop.
SENIORS RESIDENCIES

SENIORS:
Arts learning and participation vitalize communities and the individuals within them. Arts residencies and workshops stimulate physical and mental well-being by presenting innovative and engaging opportunities for hands-on learning and exploration.

SAMPLE RESIDENCIES:
- Visual Arts
- Line Dancing
- Creative Movement
- Vocal Performance

WHAT ARE SENIORS SAYING?
“The Teaching Artist brought me out of my shell!”

“I learned about other people and I was able to be more open. The leaders were very supportive.”

“I found the instruction very inspirational, knowledgeable. The program was very entertaining.”

“I learned to be patient. I learned to relax.”
RESIDENCIES & WORKSHOPS: GOALS & FEES

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PROGRAM FEES: RESIDENCIES
Maximum of 28 students per residency with one teaching artist, or 35 students with 2 teaching artists. Year-round morning, afternoon, evening and weekend hours are available. A teacher or program representative must be present at all times with the BAC teaching artist during school-based programs.

- $115 per session, with a 16 session minimum
- Minimum of 2 back-to-back sessions per day
- Sessions are 45 minutes in-school and 45-60 minutes after-school
- Additional teaching artist is $70 per session

PROGRAM FEES: WORKSHOPS
Maximum of 30 participants per workshop with one teaching artist, or 35 participants with 2 teaching artists. Year-round morning, afternoon, evening and weekend hours are available.

Professional Development or Parent Engagement:
- $420 per two-hour session with 1 teaching artist
- $662 per two-hour session with 2 teaching artists

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Fifth graders stand proudly before rehearsing their original song.

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