

CLAYTON COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

FINE ARTS NEWSLETTER

A Monthly Newsletter by CCPS PAC.

DR. PRINCE T. BOWIE

“Efficiency is doing the thing right! Effectiveness is doing the right thing!”

Amazingly, we have reached the last month of this first semester. It seems like it was just July and we were in pre-planning looking to see How? When? Where? What Will become of this school year? We began to focus on how we would construct, and build our own and a collective CATHEDRAL. The foundation is being and/or has been poured. Now we must begin to etch, form, and structure what our CATHEDRAL will look like.

This semester we have had a myriad of experiences, and I have been privileged to see the amazing work that you all are doing with our scholars. Change is inevitable, but growth is optional. Change is going to happen, let's choose to grow efficiently. I recognize the work and energy it takes to sing this song, paint this picture, dance to this tune, and play this instrument.

As always, I encourage you to continue maximizing opportunities that will produce student outcomes. Shape, mold, twist, turn, and stretch the possibilities beyond the limits! Do something you haven't done before, take a risk, explore another level of artistry. It's never easy, but always rewarding.

Last month the emphasis was on giving thanks. This month, “Tis the season”! Tis the season to be effective. Tis the season to build. Tis the season to also share quality time with your friends and loved ones, and get rejuvenated for the next semester. Please have a wonderful holiday break, and we'll see you with tools in hand as we continue building in 2024!

Artistically,

Dr. Prince T. Bowie

Director of Fine Arts

Division of Teaching and

Learning & Strategic Improvement

WELCOME

to the monthly newsletter for the CCPS Fine Arts Department. The goal of this newsletter is to share highlights from the many Fine Arts programs around the county.

Fine Arts teachers, please submit articles for the Newsletter via the Google form sent by Dr. Bowie if you need the link again please email

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"Efficiency is doing things right; effectiveness is doing the right things."

Peter Drucker

SCHOOL SUBMITTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

PERFORMANCE SPOTLIGHT



The Stilwell Experience is excited to invite you and your students to our production of *Sister Act*! The school show version of the musical will take place at the Clayton County Performing Arts Center on Thursday, January 18, 2024, at 10 am.

The show will be a shortened version of the full musical, lasting about an hour.

Plot synopsis: "Based on the hit movie starring Whoopi Goldberg and with a score by Alan Menken, this show tells the story of a woman on the run in a convent. Through the shared love of music, she and the nuns tell the story you don't want to miss!"

This show is recommended for fourth grade and up. Some of the content may not be appropriate for all audiences. To reserve tickets for you and your students [CLICK HERE](#) to be routed to the ordering form. For additional questions please contact Britney Lee (britney.lee@clayton.k12.ga.us). School show tickets are \$3. Payment should be made out to Martha Ellen Stilwell School of the Arts and can be received on the day of the show or mailed to our school. The CCPS Fine Arts Department is covering all CCPS schools' transportation. However you must complete the attached form two-three weeks prior and submit it to savina.taylor@clayton.k12.ga.us. Once the form is approved you must follow my school's transportation process.



THE STILWELL EXPERIENCE



2024 ALL-SCHOOL
MUSICAL

SHOW DATES:
JANUARY 18-20, 2024

DIRECTOR, SET,
& COSTUMES

JOHNATHAN BOTTISTI

ORCHESTRA
JOEL PERKINS

CHOREOGRAPHERS
BRIANNA SMART &
JAZMINE FREEMAN

MUSIC
LAUREN COVINGTON &
VICORIE BROWN

SOUND DESIGNER
CARLOS RODRIGUEZ

SISTER ACT

IS PRESENTED THROUGH SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH **MUSIC THEATRE INTERNATIONAL (MTI)**. ALL AUTHORIZED PERFORMANCE MATERIALS ARE ALSO SUPPLIED BY MTI. WWW.MTISHOWS.COM

The full show will run Thursday and Friday, January 18 & 19 at 7pm and Saturday, January 20 at 3pm. Tickets for the full show can be purchased on gofan.co.

"Look at me, can't you see, I'm
Fabulous Baby!"

Deloris Van Cartier



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SC State 2023 Homecom Parade

Jonesboro Band went to South Carolina State University to participate in the homecoming parade. While there, the band placed 1st in the homecoming parade and, as a result, was asked to perform a homecoming post-game field show.



SC State 2023 Homecoming Parade
LARRY HARDY/T&D

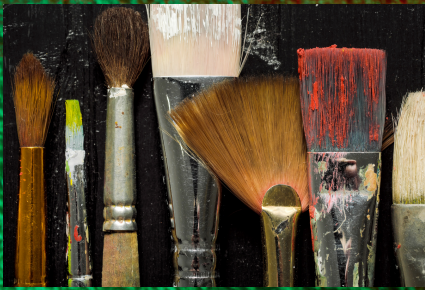
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LARRY HARDY/T&D

After returning home from South Carolina, the Jonesboro Band Drumline competed in the BODL Drumline Competition at the Georgia World Congress Center. The drumline was given a superior rating and walked away with the 1st place award from the competition.



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MD Roberts art and piano programs came together for an evening of music and a gallery show.- Visual art students displayed their artwork throughout the building. Parents came to view the wonderful artwork and were entertained with the piano students displaying their performance skills. A great time was had by all.



Pace is excited to announce a partnership with the group Tones Collective. Cortez Daniel and Brian Jones are both CCPS Fine Arts Magnet Alumni. These two gentlemen have come back to Clayton to give back to the community. Their group, Tones Collective, is acting as mentors to our students. Helping them prepare for their showcases. In November, we had Tones Collective perform for our students. It was great having former CCPS students give back to our school. These gentlemen all studied music under Dr Kay Pace. We love seeing our students all grown up and doing what they love.

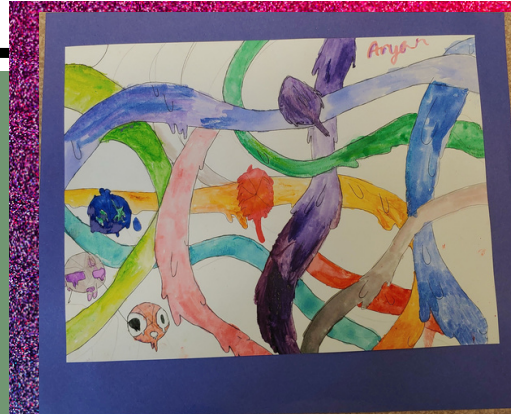


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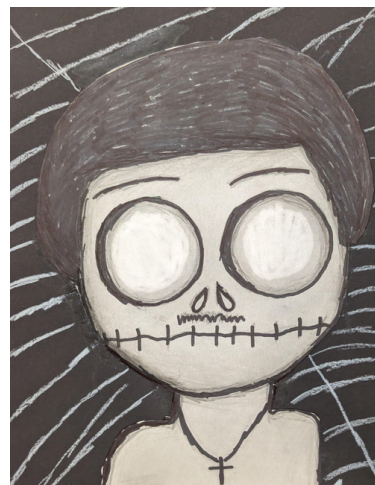
STUDENT ART

The students at Jewell C. Anderson Elementary completed their color wheels that they designed themselves.

Submitted by



Spencer Holland and his art students at Mundy's Mill Middle created eerie Halloween styled projects. 7th Grade completed their Tim Burton style self portraits. Students enjoyed these because they could take everything they learned about facial proportion and detail and throw it out the window! 8th grade students finished up their skeleton paintings. They either took their own picture of the class skeleton (affectionately named Granny) or they were given one that was previously taken. Students used the grid method to draw the image bigger, then painted it. Featured student artwork by: Isabella Zepeda, , Alyssa Alexander. Laila Bray, and Axel Zamora

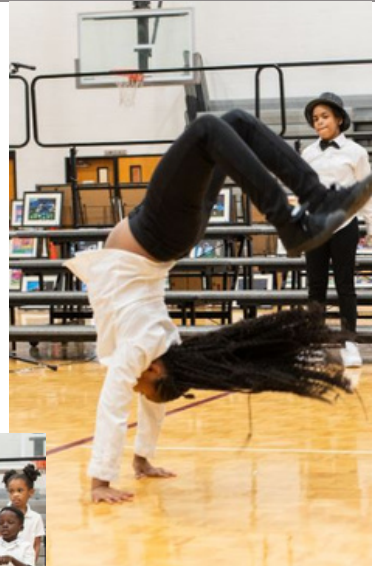


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Stilwell School of the Arts Senior, Beyuti Burrows, was selected as the winner of the inaugural Art & Design contest sponsored by Atlanta Influences Everything and the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra. The theme was "What does 'Atlanta Influences Everything' mean to you?" She earned a \$1000 cash prize and a 6-month graphic design internship with Atlanta Influences Everything (AIE), beating out the top 10 artists who were featured in the September Access Fest. AIE is an apparel company and creative consultancy that designs and sells cool gear, and consults with brands such as Nike, Adidas, and the Atlanta United, on how to communicate with Atlanta. Beyuti's internship with AIE will begin in January. Her art will be featured on their socials in the near future. Congratulations Beyuti!

Scholars at **Kay R. Pace** celebrated the Arts with a Holiday performance and school wide art show! Every students had art displayed in the show within the theme of "Elevate the Elements", and performances were given by Kindergarten, Pace Performers, Urban Arts, and 5th Grade Dance Majors. A fun night of arts for all!



DFA ANNOUNCEMENTS

on November 17th, 2023, The CCPS Fine Arts Department and Stilwell SOTA hosted an Industry Talk with cast members from "The Wiz" produced by Kandi Burruss, which is doing its Pre-Broadway National Tour (before going to Broadway in New York City 2024). The Artist toured the school and watched a few student performances. A Stilwell Student conducted an Industry Chat with the Cast members for the Stilwell students and invited guests.



CELEBRATING FINE ARTS TEACHER'S BIRTHDAYS

DECEMBER

Darnell Springer
Kelly McKinney
Ivan Baquerizo
Shemetrus Holloway-Curry
Lauren Covington
Christopher Washington



DECEMBER PAC EVENTS

12/2 - Stilwell Dance Invitational

12/4 - Mount. Zion Fine Arts Concert
6:30 PM

12/6 - Thurgood Marshall ES Chorus
6:00 PM

12/7 - Oliver ES Drama Club
Performance
10:00 AM

12/8 - Clayton County Police Depart.
Promotional Ceremony
6:30 PM
- CCPS Adult Ed Graduation
8:00 AM

12/12 - MD Roberts Theatre & Chorus
7:00 PM
- Elite Scholars Drama Club
6:00 PM


12/13 - Stilwell Music Departments Show
6:00 PM

12/15 - CCPD Graduation
11:00 AM
- MD Roberts Dance Show
7:00 PM

12/16 - Divine Believers
6:00 PM

12/17 - Dynamic Dance
5:00 PM

Happy Holidays and Happy New Year!

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