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2019 After School Fall Offerings

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LOWER SCHOOL

FULL TIME AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Hosh Kids Since 2009 Hosh has believed in wellness as a right of life throughout all of its Brooklyn programs for the young, grown and aging regardless of skill and income. Hosh Kids offers students a fun and creative after school program for personal and community enrichment. Students learn and participate in the arts, zumba, yoga, theater, and other course offerings. Community and family showcases and potluck are common throughout the year. Our elementary school afterschool program balances enrichment time, choice time, outdoor time, and homework time. Our team of creative professionals are experienced in the content, joy and care of enrichment education. Hosh Kids runs Monday - Friday, from 3-5pm and is open to grades K-5. Register for September at the bookwhen link to secure your spot for the school year. You will receive monthly invoices for the remainder of the school year.

Gardening The world becomes our garden in Arts & Letters after-school Fall nature and gardening program. Do you know which plants clean the air during the day and which ones clean the air at night? Do you know which trees are native and which are invasive? Which invasive trees have taken over some of our New York forests? Which weeds outside are edible? We will be tasting them! What foods can your kids grow at home- with just water- in case of an emergency? Your kids will know by the end of this class! The kids will be growing and taking home their own plants, planting fall bulbs, learning about, caring for, and adopting our neighborhood trees, planting organic food in our garden, studying neighborhood birds, visiting and learning about the amazing plants growing in our neighborhood, visiting the nearby community garden, planting and learning about native and invasive plants, and so much more! We will be outdoors often, your kids will get very dirty, and they will LOVE it! Grades K-5.

Outside The Lines for Artistic Rebels Paint outside the lines in this multidisciplinary class where we will explore found object art, painting, 3-D sculpture, printmaking, paper making, slime and clay experiments and learn the process behind it all. Some of our other favorite activities are sewing, weaving, pom-poms and pet rock making. Be prepared to have fun and explore. Grades K & 1 and Grade 2 & 3 Grades 4 & 6 will also talk about cool and innovative modern-day artists, art appreciation and art history. At the end of the semester we will learn the steps of planning and curating our own exhibit, write artist statements and a final press release for our show.
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**Chess** A&L Supports chess as a Community-building and strategic skills-development activity. Coach Stephanie Ballom runs an in-school chess program for upper elementary grades, and three after School enrichment clubs. By joining the clubs, students become part of the A&L Rook Stars team. Each year the team participates in NYC-wide Chess-in-the-Schools free Saturday tournaments for enthusiastic beginners and more advanced players. Grades 1 & up.

**Basketball Clinic** This clinic will provide an enjoyable, from the ground up experience promoting teamwork, layered thinking and self-confidence. Each student will be given basic skills to help not only their athletic interest but social awareness and problem solving within a community/team setting. Grades 2-3. Grades 4-5.

**Runners Club** In partnership with NY Road Runners students will commit to running together after school along with the opportunity to compete in weekend races against young runners from other schools. Contact nicole.d.tu@gmail.com for information and registration requests. Grade 3-6.

**Yoga** Children dive into yoga poses and learn proper alignment, breathing techniques and mindfulness tools. Music and games provide a fun environment while the yogis stretch, balance, strengthen, and practice their sun salutations! Grades K-3.

**Capoeira** Children explore an Afro-Brazilian form of movement combining dance, music, and self-defense developing an expressive and coordinated discipline. Grades 3-5.

**Hip to the Hop** Students learn how to pop, lock and drop it in our funky classes. Dancers groove to hip-hop music that inspired dances like Walk It Out and the Running Man. Grades 1-3.

**Imagination 101 w/ Cave Theatre Co.** Young students will expand their imagination through theatre. They will play cooperative games and even explore their favorite books through theatre. Grades K-1.

**Youth Drama w/ Cave Theatre Co.** Students will learn theatre and acting through improvisation activities, movement and imagination games. Grades 2-4.
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Mi Casita Interactive Theater en Español Come one, come all to our theatre class in Spanish! This allows your child to be fluent and dramatic in two languages while learning wonderful games. Not only will they develop skills that will make them successful in the future but also start the building blocks to language absorption and not to mention develop and fine tune mental agility, concentration, and extroversion. Games and Activities: puppet craft, stagecraft, mimic, fine movement, storytelling, improvisation, and linguistics games with objects. Please join us this fall for a season of fun culminating with a final performance and showcase of all we learned together! Grades 3 - 5.

Mi Casita Movimiento y Exploración Does your child enjoy dance? Do you want them to learn Spanish? Mi Casita presents this opportunity to learn Spanish through creative movement + modern dance. Debbie Maciel, a native speaker and professional dancer will lead explorations in modern dance 99% in Spanish. Students will learn dance and language! For ALL levels of Spanish and any student curious about movement. www.debbiezmaciel.com Grades K - 2.

Irondale's Drama Club Irondale's Drama Club is starting a new semester with Nolan and George! Open to students in grades 5-8, Drama Club will work on developing scenes and characters through improvisation and scripted work. Students also get to explore a variety of acting warm up games and try their hand and script writing. Drama club meets Thursdays 3:15-5:15 and will start the second week of school. For more information or to register, email rima@irondale.org.

Newspaper A&L Ink members will learn how to report, write, edit and layout a student newspaper. We will have visits from a rotating group of top notch professional writers and editors. Open to students with an interest in writing, editing, photography and/or design. Email ayannabehin@yahoo.com for questions or adult volunteer opportunities. Grades 5 & up.

United Step Squad Stepping or step-dancing is a form of percussive dance in which the body is used as an instrument to create intricate rhythms and sounds through a combination of footsteps, spoken word, and hand claps. At this time the Step Team does not compete and anyone in Grades 5-8 can join. However, we do hope to grow our program to perform at local school/community events such as the A&L Pep Rally and Home Basketball Games this year. Coaches: Ms. K and Ms. Negron Thursdays (Beginning on 9/19) 3:10pm - 5:00pm email ynegron@artsandlettersbklyn for questions and registration.
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Scholarships and sliding scale financial aid are possible for after school programs. Please contact Dawn Babbush, the after school coordinator, for requests and availability.

Additional Programs in building:
Kaleidoscope (Full-Time) gskaleidoscopekids@gmail.com
The Piano School of NYC offers small group piano classes. Register directly w/ Program- www.pianoschoolofnyc.org questions erickeisermusic@gmail.com. Grades K-5 Thursdays.

Offsite with Pick-up at A&L:
Art Shack www.artshackbrooklyn.com
Sacred www.sacredbrooklyn.com
Brooklyn Music School www.brooklynmusicschool.org
Gym Stars www.gymstarsbrooklyn.com

UPPER SCHOOL

FULL TIME AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

LEAP (Learning Through Expanded Arts Program) LEAP will host a FREE after school program for grades 6-8. LEAP Teaching Artists will facilitate student centered clubs in multiple arts disciplines – including Tap Dance, Musical Theater, Vocal Ensemble, Photography, Playwriting, Short Film, Bucket Drumming, Step, Piano and even Entrepreneurship. During LEAP, students are encouraged to use their creative expression to devise projects which address a social justice cause. Projects will culminate in collaborative performances and public events. The program operates Monday-Friday. 3PM-6PM. September-June. Students can register for 2, 3 or 5 days per week. Contact the Program Director: Kathy D. Harrison at kathy@leapnyc.org or (212) 769-4160 ext. 158.

C.H.A.M.P.S. rotating schedule of various sports program that meets after school. This is a no fee program.Contact cjohnson@artsandlettersbklyn.org for questions and registration. Grades 6-8.

Basketball (competitive) Fall/Winter with Coach Johnson This is the team that participates in the NYC Middle School Basketball League. There will be tryouts (September) League starts in December. Upon making the team, each student will be contacted by the coaches for registration. Grades 6-8.
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Art Portfolio This class features independent work time to prepare artwork for high school applications as well as hone and stretch specific skills that students wish to explore. Students will work in sketch books and with each other to create projects that would not be possible in a large class format. It is loose, fun, and specific to what YOU want to do. If you love making art, and want to continue to improve, this class is for you. Contact asarno@artsandlettersbklyn.org. Grades 7-8.

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Debate Team Debate helps young people learn how to use evidence, craft effective arguments, improve public speaking skills, work cooperatively, develop strong writing skills, improve literacy and develop essential critical thinking skills. An informational meeting will take place in September for students and interested parent volunteers. Contact mjohnson@artsandlettersbklyn.org. Grades 6-8.
**Newspaper** A&L Ink members will learn how to report, write, edit and layout a student newspaper. We will have visits from a rotating group of top notch professional writers and editors. Looking for students with an interest in writing, editing, photography and/or design. Contact ayannabehin@yahoo.com for questions and applications. Grades 5-8.

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