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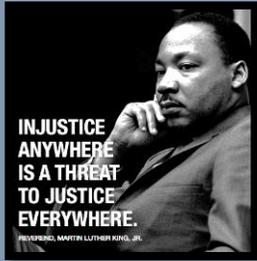
JANUARY  
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ARTS

# YPS ARTS

## ARTS SPOTLIGHT

On January 15<sup>th</sup> 2021, the nation celebrates the birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr.



School will be closed on January 18<sup>th</sup> to commemorate his birthday. In the month of January, the YPS also celebrates Chinese and Filipino culture. Visit this month's [Arts Spotlight](#) for useful lessons and resources that focus on these celebrations. Share your work and ideas with the district by sending videos, artwork, poetry, lessons and activities so that they can be featured on our website.

## ART CALLS

**Call for Art:** The PowerLab & Yonkers Arts announced a 'Call for Art' for their Black History Month Exhibition. Please submit work by January 13<sup>th</sup> to be considered. Email: [rayw@yonkersarts.org](mailto:rayw@yonkersarts.org)

**YPS Virtual Black History:** YPS is looking for music, art, dance and poetry entries to share for this event. All contributing artists can pre-record their entries. For more information email:

[ypsarts@yonkerspublicschools.org](mailto:ypsarts@yonkerspublicschools.org)

**"Art is not what you see, but what you make others see."**

**~ Edgar Degas**

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**ORDERS :** Keep an eye out for your orders! They will be sent to the schools directly and will be addressed to your school's clerk/administrative assistant and to you. If anything is missing or in error, please contact our office.

**NYSSMA :** Please see [the memo](#) from the ZONE 11 rep. As a reminder, any teacher can register students for NYSSMA festivals. If you have any questions, please contact our office.

**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT :** Please see [the memo](#) regarding PD opportunities for the month of January. The following might be of particular interest to teachers of the Arts:

- **Microsoft Immersive Reader and One Note:** This option provides training on how to use One Note to create assignments and student notebooks as well as how to differentiate for students through the use of immersive reading and translations functions.

**NEWSLETTER CONTENT REQUEST :** Call for a model lesson (best practices) for our quarterly division newsletter for February! Share a lesson that incorporates technology with the arts!

**SPECIAL EVENTS :** Arts Supply Drive ([See flyer](#))

## MEETING SCHEDULE

Meeting	Topic	Details
Music Chat	Arts Spotlight	1/27 11-12
Art Chat	Artist of Month	1/20 11-12
Arts Council	TBD	1/13 12-1

All meetings are held on our Outlook365 Team for the department. Teachers are not required to attend, but all are welcome should their schedule permit. The chats are designed so art and music teachers can connect and share classroom best practices on the designated topic. If you are interested in sharing, have any questions, or wish to discuss a specific topic, please email: [ypsarts@yonkerspublicschools.org](mailto:ypsarts@yonkerspublicschools.org)

## FEATURED ARTIST OF THE MONTH



Sophia Luz ~ Grade 4  
Cross Hill Academy