

“Art is Action”

Organized by Boston Arts Academy Students

A Boston Youth Leadership Conference
Hosted annually by a Pilot/Horace Mann High School

March 13, 2009 — 8:30am -2pm
at Mass College of Art – Tower Building

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| 8:30-9 | Registration |
| 9-9:15 | BAA Student Opening & Welcome <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ BAA Slideshow▪ Explanation of Theme: “Art is Action” |
| 9:15-9:30 | Intro ARTiculation theater performance
Company One’s ARTiculation follows six Boston poets using wordplay, written by the performers themselves, to wend their way through an imaginative landscape featuring ruminations on life, love, youth, race, art and more. |
| 9:30-10:15 | ARTiculation |
| 10:15-10:30 | Q & A between Articulation Performers and Audience |
| 10:30-10:45 | Break and Walk to 1 st Workshop |
| 10:45-11:30 | 1 st Workshop Block (see next page) |
| 11:30-12:15 | Lunch and BAA Jazz Trio performs |
| 12:15-12:20 | Walk to 2 nd workshop |
| 12:20-1:05 | 2 nd Workshop Block (see next page) |
| 1:05-1:10 | Walk to auditorium |
| 1:10-1:35 | Keynote: Charleston Sargeant, Steel Pan Drummer and BAA Alum |
| 1:35-1:55 | BAA Dance Performance |
| 1:55-2:00 | Closing by BAA Students |

Description of Workshops—

There will be 14 different workshops offered. Here are some examples.

- ***The Online Savvy Artist:*** will look at appropriate avenues for artists to promote themselves using the web.
- ***Krumping 101:*** will explore the street dance, its social significance and history. Participants will learn basics of the technique.
- ***Bottle Tops, Earlobes, Butterflies and Watermelon:*** will cover a brief history of nonsense plays. Participants will engage in dialogue about this style of playwriting and try their hand at it.
- ***GLBT Stereotypes Workshop:*** will analyze stereotypes of the GLBT community by analyzing pieces of pop culture and media.
- ***Operation Awake:*** will be a discussion of adolescent issues and how they can be translated into artistic interpretation through music and theater.
- ***African Drumming:*** will introduce students to the fun, funky music of the Ewe people of Ghana, a West African nation renowned for its drumming traditions.
- ***My Words are My Future:*** will teach students to create poetry that explores goals, plans, dreams and fears about the future in a personal poem that they can email to their future-self.
- ***Using the Arts to Rally a Community:*** will teach students how to use performance art at school events to educate, entertain, and enlighten the student body and staff.

This is not a complete list but it gives a sense of the variety.

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