

Program Newsletter

ADVOCACY AND CONNECTION

Fall was a busy season for self-advocates. After promoting voting rights, a group traveled to Albany for the three-day SANYS Statewide Self Advocacy Conference. They joined 600 peers for workshops on transportation and LGBTQ allyship, participated in a town hall, and networked. One advocate won first place for designing the conference logo, while another was honored for five years of board service. Together, they strengthened their collective power.



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IT'S MY PARK PROJECT



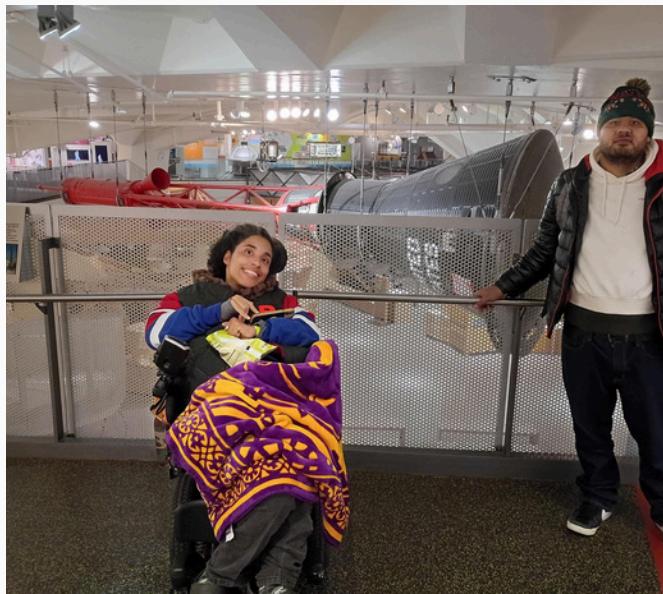
Volunteers participated in the "It's My Park" project at two local locations. At the first, a team helped maintain the grounds near the United Nations, where one participant learned to plant bulbs to bloom this spring. At the second site, the team used various gardening tools to assist with park maintenance. Organizers expressed deep gratitude for their hard work and dedication to keeping these spaces in top condition.

GIVING SEASON: CANSTRUCTION

Participants recognized the importance of supporting NYC Harvest, especially during the holiday season, and arrived eager to donate. Their enthusiasm was matched by excitement to view the annual Canstruction exhibit—creative art sculptures made entirely from non-perishable foods that many look forward to each year. The outing also offered a pleasant neighborhood stroll. For some, it was a first-time experience, and they enjoyed discovering something entirely new.



EXPLORING THE HALL OF SCIENCE



Science enthusiasts enjoyed an afternoon of learning and curiosity at the Hall of Science. They experienced an interactive bubble display, learned about the complexities of urban planning, and gained a deeper understanding of how the New York City public transportation system operates. Participants were encouraged to ask questions, explore hands-on exhibits, and connect scientific concepts to their everyday experiences. It was an educational and engaging trip that offered unique insights into science and city life.

CELEBRATING DEAF CULTURE

Participants from across the organization gathered to celebrate Deaf culture, teach American Sign Language (ASL), and perform in their native language in the third annual Sign Language Slam. The event created a welcoming space for creative expression, storytelling, and community connection. Audience members gained a deeper appreciation for Deaf culture and the richness of communication beyond spoken language. It was a wonderful opportunity to honor linguistic diversity and promote inclusion through the power of sign.



FEATURED ARTWORK: FLORAL MURAL

This month, a beautiful collaborative mural was completed, showcasing creativity and teamwork from the artists at 5030 Broadway. Participants intentionally chose colors to build shadows and depth, resulting in a vibrant composition. Originally inspired by fall leaves, the design evolved organically into painted vases. Over several weeks, everyone contributed unique layers and textures, finishing the piece with bold, expressive handprints. This artwork serves as a wonderful representation of growth and experimentation.



This month, we highlight the collaborative creativity of the 5030 Broadway Artists.

Future Dates to Remember

12/31: Kwanza
Fitness Event

1/ 6: SANYS Monthly
Meeting

1/15: Adaptive Skiing

1/16: Advisory
Council Meeting

1/21: Super: Kids
Theatre Showcase

1/24: ASL Tour at the
BK Museum



STAFF & PEOPLE WE SUPPORT!

WE GOT TALENT

AUDITIONS

PELHAM	TUES	1/20
LAWRENCE	WED	1/28
ELMWOOD	THUR	1/22 & 1/29
STILLWELL	THUR	1/22
GRAND CONCOURSE	THUR	1/22
5030 BROADWAY	FRI	1/23
PORT RICHMOND	MON	1/26
FLUSHING	TUE	1/27
154 TH STREET	FRI	1/30



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