

Program Newsletter

MEETING SENATOR GILLIBRAND

Self-advocates from Port Richmond attended a Senate at Your Stop event at the Dongan Hills Library, where they met Senator Kirsten Gillibrand. Building on conversations from their advocacy meetings, they spoke about Medicaid funding, community-based services, and the importance of people with disabilities having the opportunity to live in their communities. The visit gave the self-advocates an opportunity to bring issues they care about directly to an elected official and make their voices heard.



For more information and a complete list of other upcoming activities please visit

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LEGACIES IN MOTION: A CONVERSATION WITH ADAPT'S CEO



The Legacies in Motion team is developing an upcoming podcast episode featuring ADAPT CEO Jenna Mandel-Ricci. Through filming, interviewing, and editing, the team is creating a behind-the-scenes look at ADAPT and the people passionate about its mission. The project brings together creativity, collaboration, and hands-on media production.

A SWEET DAY AT THE MUSEUM OF ICE CREAM



Museumgoers enjoyed a colorful visit to the Museum of Ice Cream, sampling treats—including bagel-inspired ice cream! The group explored interactive exhibits, played ice-cream-themed arcade games, and some adventurous visitors took on the three-story slide. The day ended with a visit to the famous sprinkle pool, wrapping up an outing filled with fun and shared experiences.



CELEBRATING THE ART OF YAYOI KUSAMA



Art lovers at Pelham learned about Japanese artist, Yayoi Kusama, and her distinctive use of polka dots, pumpkins, sculpture, painting, and immersive installations. After discussing her career and viewing examples of her work, the group collaborated on a mini mural inspired by Kusama's signature polka-dot pumpkins. The project gave artists an opportunity to learn about an influential contemporary artist while practicing creative expression.

TAKING THE STAGE AT BROOKLYN COMEDY COLLECTIVE

Performers took their talents to the Brooklyn Comedy Collective for an evening open mic. Two comedians each delivered three-minute sets, including an interactive clown performance inspired by the energy of different colors and a traditional stand-up routine. Fellow comedy fans came along to cheer them on and enjoy the show. The group also connected with other comedians at the venue and left excited about the possibility of returning for another night onstage.





SERVING UP FUN AT THE US OPEN



Sports fans attended the US Open Wheelchair Tennis Games through the Montefiore Adaptive Sports Program. During a special meet-and-greet, the group connected with wheelchair tennis athletes, and one attendee even joined them for a friendly volley. The outing offered an exciting opportunity to experience adaptive sports up close and celebrate athletic skill and inclusion.

CAPTURING THE MAGIC OF JOURNEY TO OZ



ADAPT brought Journey to Oz to life through a theatrical production celebrating creativity and self-expression. ADAPT photographers documented the experience through photography, capturing performers, costumes, characters, and memorable moments onstage. Behind the camera, photographers showcased their skills while preserving the excitement and creativity of the production.

ART HIGHLIGHT: CREATING THE WORLD OF JOURNEY TO OZ



The creativity behind Journey to Oz began well before performers took the stage. Artists contributed to digital backdrops, set design, props, and other visual elements that helped transform the production. One of the finishing touches was creating colorful poppies to decorate the windows of Oz. Artists assembled flowers, arranged stems, and experimented with floral design, building manual dexterity and creative skills while contributing their own artistic touches to the production.

Future Dates to Remember

10/5: Handcycling
Practice in Brooklyn

10/6: SANYS Monthly
Meeting

10/14: Whitney
Museum

10/14: Accessible
Subway tour of JFK
Airtrain

10/15-10/17: SANYS
Statewide Conference
in Albany

10/15: American Sign
Language Social

10/16: NYPL: People
Making Power

10/22: Museum of the
Moving Image

10/27: Museum of the
City of New York

10/28: Brooklyn
Museum

Disability Pride Parade



Sunday October 18th: 10:00am
Madison Square Park to Union Square

TO RSVP:



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