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New Museum Announces Youth Spectrum Arts Participants and Teacher Advisory Council Members for 2023



New York, NY (January 17, 2022)—The New Museum today announces the Youth Spectrum Arts participants and Teacher Advisory Council members for 2023. These programs are designed for educators and young adults and further the Museum's longstanding commitment to providing innovative, timely public programs that serve people representing a wide range of perspectives and experiences.

The Youth Spectrum Arts (YSA) initiative is a stipend-supported afterschool program that offers young people ages fifteen to nineteen the opportunity to interact with contemporary art and culture with a focus on gender, sexuality, and queer and trans community building. Through workshops, artmaking, and discussion, participating youth connect with themselves, peers, and

guest artists. As part of the culminating project for the program, YSA participants will host a Youth Summit in June 2023, entailing workshops and a celebration organized by invited artists, activists, collectives, and other youth groups. Each summit builds upon and reinterprets YSA's founding principles of healing, self-love, skill building, political education, and empowerment, and its final form is shaped by the learnings participants gather over their six-month engagement with the program.

The Youth Spectrum Arts participants for 2023 attend public high schools neighboring the New Museum and spread across the city, including the Academy for Software Engineering, Columbia Secondary School, Essex Street Academy, High School of Art and Technology, High School for Environmental Studies, Institute for Collaborative Education, Notre Dame High School, NYC Museum School, and William Cullen Bryant High School.

The Teacher Advisory Council is a cohort of New York City Public School educators who advise and support the New Museum's Department of Education and Public Engagement's mission to cultivate growth through inquiry and to strengthen people's connections with themselves, one another, and the wider world. The stipend-supported Council collaborates with Museum staff to develop and promote resources and programs for school groups, youth, and teachers, ensuring meaningful, high-quality connections and resources are available for educators and their students. Representing a range of experiences and identities themselves and in relationship to the students and communities they serve, members of the Teacher Advisory Council collaborate over a six-month program to create timely and engaging lesson plans, programs, and professional development resources for educators.

The Teacher Advisory Council members for 2023 are Fayola Fair, Essex Street Academy, Manhattan; Nick Kozak, Manhattan Hunter Science HS, Manhattan; Daniela Lopez, East New York Family Academy, Brooklyn; Tamra Plotnick, The James Baldwin School, Brooklyn; Jason Rondinelli, Montauk I.S. 223, Brooklyn; Kendra Sibley, Bronx Community Charter School, Bronx; and Tiara Torres, Fannie Lou Hamer Freedom School, Bronx.

Resources developed by past cohorts of the Teacher Advisory Council are available on the New Museum's website [at this link](#). Further information on the New Museum's Department of Education and Public Engagement and its expansive work across teacher and student resources, family programs, artist talks and activations, and artist residencies is available at [here](#).

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ABOUT NEW MUSEUM

The New Museum is the only museum in New York City exclusively devoted to contemporary art. Founded in 1977, the New Museum is a center for exhibitions, information, and documentation about living artists from around the world. From its beginnings as a one-room office on Hudson Street to the inauguration of its first freestanding building on the Bowery designed by SANAA in 2007, the New Museum continues to be a place of experimentation and a hub of new art and new ideas.

Image: Youth Summit 2019: "Scamming the Patriarchy." Courtesy New Museum