



Culture Crashers: A Harlem Arts Alliance & Souleo Enterprises, LLC Youth Initiative

Overview: The future of Harlem is its youth with bold energy, hungry enthusiasm and fearless passion. They create their own art to hang on walls; choreograph their own dances to the latest hits; pen their own written self-expressions and recite it with vigor; and weave together melody and rhythm to sing their own songs. Through Culture Crashers these talents will be developed under the guidance of HAA mentors across key artistic formats. Mentors will work with youth to develop a project and at completion each group will “crash” a select cultural organization to present their talent before an audience at major event(s). Through Culture Crashers the talents of youth will be honed and showcased in an effort to engage them in the arts and ensure Harlem’s artistic future.

The Value:

- **Youth Engagement:** Often the art community seems adult-driven and focused and distant to youth. With Culture Crashers they will discover where they fit in within Harlem’s artistic community. Through hands-on learning that results in an immediate opportunity to demonstrate their talent, youth will be motivated to succeed.
- **Maximize Exposure:** Culture Crashers, has the opportunity to raise further awareness about HAA’s services to the broader Harlem community and beyond by showcasing talent developed within the organization.

Program Details:

- **Artistic platforms:** Visual arts; theater; dance; music; fashion; written (must be performed or presented live on stage).
- **Age Group:** 12-17 years old
- **Auditions:** TBA; **Location:** TBA
- [Click here](#) to submit your application
- Contact the HAA office if you have any questions at (347) 735-4280

*Dates are subject to change with advance notice.