

CLAYTON COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

# FINE ARTS NEWSLETTER

A Monthly Newsletter by CCPS PAC.

## DR. PRINCE T. BOWIE

Artists,

A cathedral doesn't just happen. It's planned! It takes work and execution! Every day, there's a goal to be accomplished. During this first month of school, I have had the pleasure to visit schools on all levels (Elementary, Middle, and High) and I stand in amazement at the great work I see. As I reflect on my days in the classroom, I want to remind you that we are in a marathon and not a sprint. Continue to do the great work every day that you are doing to build and brand your programs. If I have not been to your school yet...don't worry, I'm coming! We love to see the great work you are doing with our scholars. My team and I are here to support you, and make sure you have what you need to be successful. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

Keep Building!

Dr. Prince T. Bowie  
Director - Fine Arts  
Division of Teaching and  
Learning & Strategic Improvement

## WELCOME

to the monthly newsletter for the CCPS Fine Arts Department. The goal of this newsletter is to share highlights from the many Fine Arts programs around the county.

Fine Arts teachers can contact Tamara Rainwater for more information on publishing in the next newsletter.

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**CREATIVITY TAKES  
COURAGE**

*Henri Matisse*

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## PERFORMANCE HIGHLIGHT

The Stilwell SOA Jazz Band performed for the 2023 Superintendents Inaugural Reception. Across the room many feet were tapping and fingers snapping as the Jazz Band performed classic hits under the direction of Band Teacher Derrick Jackson. They were a crowd favorite of the night.

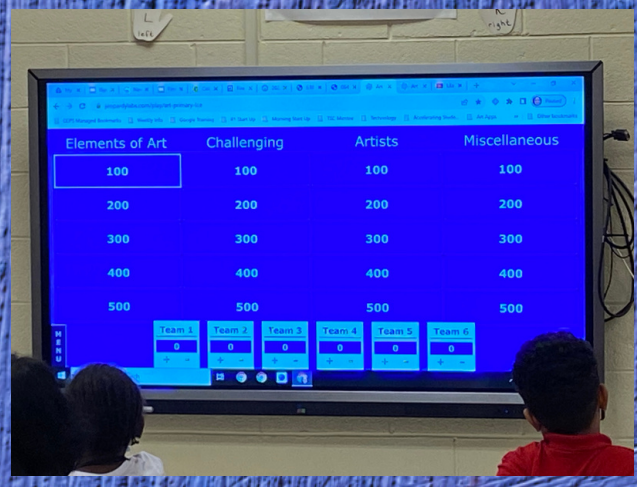
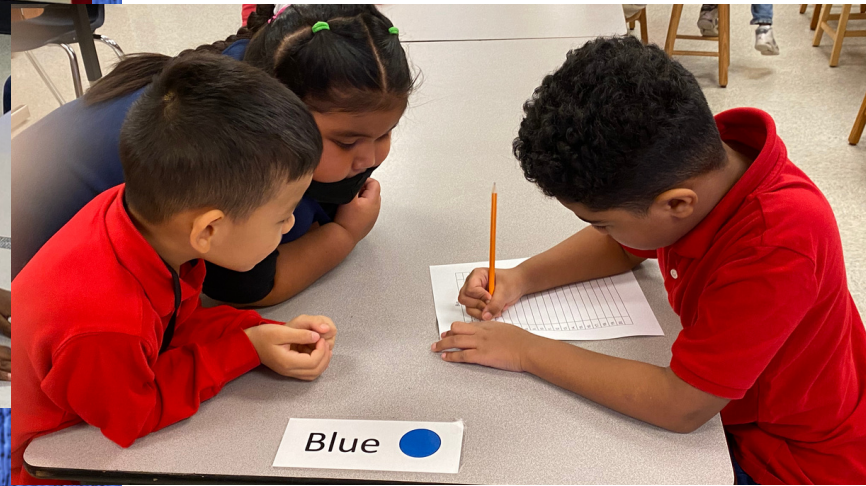
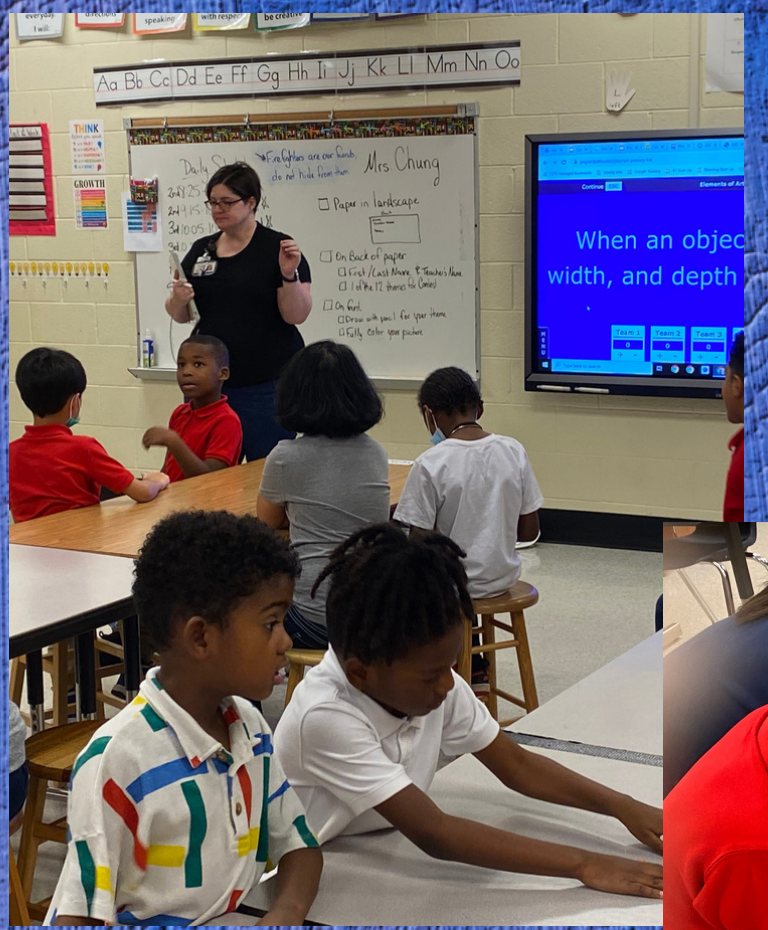


***"When you begin to see  
the possibilities of music,  
you desire to do something  
really good for people."***

*John Coltrane*

# VISUAL ARTS CLASS HIGHLIGHT

Fantastic Friday at Lake City Elementary School! Today was Extracurricular Day and 1st graders enjoyed playing Jeopardy using art vocabulary, art history and art techniques. The students collaborated in teams to find the best answer. Ms. Chung has obviously been working extremely hard, because these students knew all the answers!



## EXHIBITS

The Visual Arts Faculty of CCPS will have their own professional artwork on display at the Performing Arts Center Gallery throughout the month of September. Feel free to visit and check out the wonderful artwork on display by our teaching artists.

THE STILWELL EXPERIENCE



2023-2024 SEASON  
**SISTERS**

FIVE WOMEN WEARING THE SAME DRESS  
BY ALAN BALL  
OCTOBER 2023

**SISTER ACT**  
JANUARY 2024

SCIENCE FICTION DOUBLE FEATURE  
2023 HAUNTED HOUSE AND ESCAPE ROOMS  
OCTOBER 2023

AN EVENING OF MONOLOGUES  
MARCH 2024



WOMEN IN MUSICAL THEATRE 2024 CABARET  
APRIL 2024

MORE INFO AT BITLY/STILWELLTHEATRE

# SCHOOL SUBMITTED ANOUNCEMENTS

The Stilwell Theatre Department is proud to announce our 2023-2024 Season, "Sisters"! This season includes our One Act Play, *Five Women Wearing the Same Dress*, being performed at Stroud Theater on October 20 & 21, 2023. Our all-school musical, *Sister Act*, will be in Stroud on January 18-20, 2024. Our season also features a Haunted House, an Evening of Monologues, and our Musical Theatre Cabaret! More information can be found at [bit.ly/stilwelltheatre](http://bit.ly/stilwelltheatre). Tickets will be posted on Gofan!

Instagram: @stilwelltheatredept Website: [bit.ly/stilwelltheatre](http://bit.ly/stilwelltheatre)



On August 11th, the Jonesboro High School Majestic Marching Cardinals launched their 2023 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade Fundraising Campaign. District and community leaders all gathered at Jonesboro H.S. for the occasion to show support and pledged donations on the spot. There were also several performances by the students of the Majestic Marching Cardinals. For more information on how you can contribute to the campaign, visit [JonesboroMMC.com](http://JonesboroMMC.com).

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# MARCHING BAND EVENT

Clayton County Public Schools (CCPS) will host its annual Marching Band Exhibition on Tuesday, October 24, 2023, at Tara Stadium! The event will begin at 6:00 p.m., featuring performances from nine CCPS high schools with HBCU-style Marching Band Programs and the Valdosta High School Marching Band as a guest band. The Exhibition provides an atmosphere for Clayton County and the Music Education Community to enjoy and celebrate the collective talents of our students as they have worked so hard to achieve mastery in their musical and visual presentations. In addition, the district will also host the Tennessee State University Aristocrat of Bands as the event's special guest Collegiate Band. As part of the event, each band will receive constructive feedback from a 6-person adjudication panel consisting of four highly respected middle and high school directors, a percussion expert, and an auxiliary expert. Admission is \$5 for students and \$10 for adults. For tickets, please visit (<https://rb.gy/7m2rw>)

**CLAYTON COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
PRESENTS

## 2023 Marching Band Exhibition

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2023

#### 6:00- 11:00PM

Tara Stadium 1055 Battle Creek Road, Jonesboro, Georgia 30236

**Tickets:**   
<https://rb.gy/7m2rw>

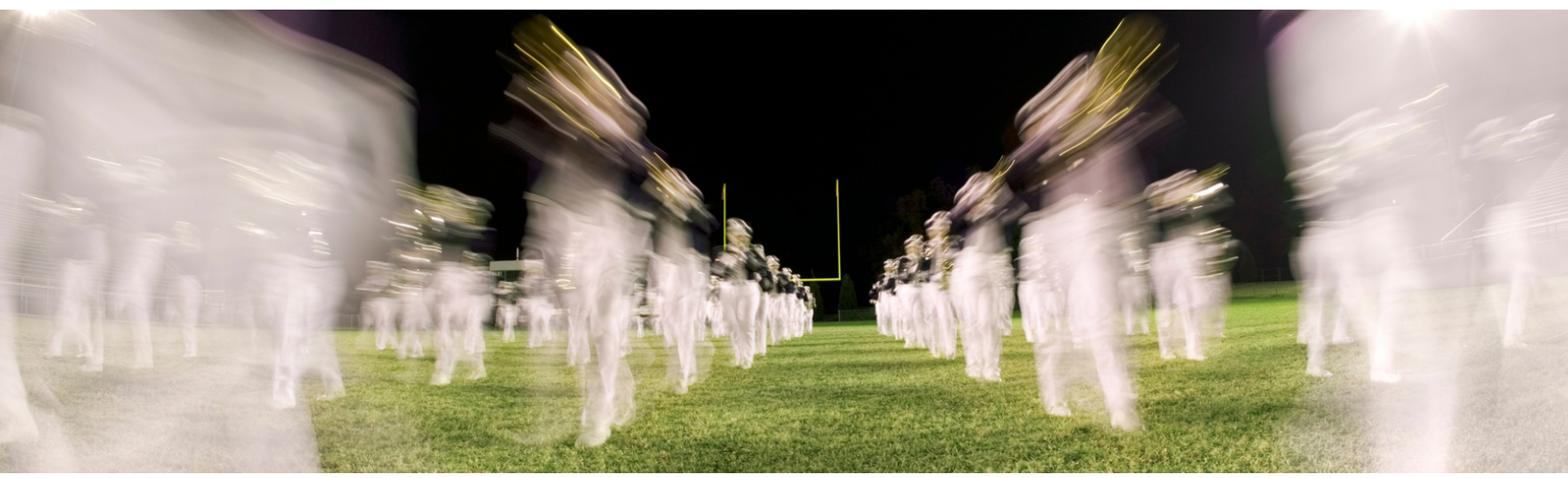
Students: \$5.00      Adults: \$10.00

Information: <https://shorturl.at/tM129>

**Directions:**  
 Take I-75 to Exit 233 (Southlake Mall exit).  
 Turn right (coming from either North or South) onto Highway 54.  
 Travel south on Hwy. 54 to Battle Creek Road.  
 Turn right onto Battle Creek, and the stadium is located 1/2 mile on the left.

Charles R. Drew High School • Forest Park High School • Jonesboro High School • Lovejoy High School  
 Morrow High School • Mount Zion High School • Mundy's Mill High School  
 North Clayton High School • Riverdale High School • Valdosta High School

**Guest Band: Tennessee State University**



## DFA ANOUNCEMENTS

### NEW PROGRAM

We are excited to announce that Mundy's Mill Middle School has officially launched a theatre program! Mr. Holland teaches 6th, 7th, and 8th graders how to speak and move on stage, develop a character, and conquer stage fright. The first semester of this year-long course focuses on acting skills, script writing, improvisation, and technical theatre. During the second semester, students will work together to produce a play.



### UPCOMING EVENT

Clayton County Public Schools Georgia High School Dance Forum is a CCPS event derived to foster community amongst high school dance programs. This year commemorates our first forum, and we will have West Lake, New Manchester, North Springs, Tri-Cities, and Stilwell SOTA dance departments join us in a day of dance workshops and artistic fellowship.



WE'D LIKE TO INVITE YOU TO

**CCPS GEORGIA HIGH SCHOOL  
DANCE COMMUNITY  
FORUM**

SEPTEMBER 21, 2023  
9:00 AM - 1:30 PM

CLAYTON COUNTY  
PERFORMING ARTS CENTER  
& STILWELL SOTA  
2530 MT ZION PARKWAY,  
JONESBORO GA 30236



# CELEBRATING FINE ARTS TEACHER'S BIRTHDAYS

## AUGUST

Jeremy LeMahieu  
Dyann Ryans-Gladfelter  
Maria del Carmen Aguayo  
Janae Hightower  
Magda Rodriguez  
Portia Murray

**HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY**

## SEPTEMBER

Kelly Glow  
Michelle Redwine  
Kenyonna Satterwhite  
Jalan Tillman  
Tonyia Johnson  
Chrystal Hudson  
Kiera Baity  
Kristofe Goodall

**HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY**



## CALENDAR OF UPCOMING PAC EVENTS

9/1 - ELBC DAY


9/14 - MD Roberts SOTA Band - Song Flute Concert  
7:00 PM

9/20 - Stilwell Hispanic Heritage Performance Hour

9/21 - Dance Community Forum

9/23 - PAC Rental Karma The Stage Play  
7:00 PM

9/26 - Elite Scholars Academy Band and Orchestra  
Concert

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