



Observer

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Fashion Show

Story by Olivia Gallo, Oyster Bay High School Student

On Friday, March 24th, students, staff and administration joined together for our first production of a fashion show in Oyster Bay High School. Students and faculty strutted down the red carpet as they styled the latest fashions from Chrison and Bellina, James Guy, Sanctuary Home & Patio, Blush Boutique, Interstyle, Athleta, Wardrobe Bar, Victor Talbots and Estelle's Dressy Dresses. Local businesses and alumni donated generous baskets and gift cards towards the fundraiser supporting the junior class, including Cosmo Tile and Stone, Forest Iron Works, Main Street Nursery, Petals Floral & Design, Crabtree's Restaurant, Bluebird Chocolates, Locust Valley Chemists, Caitlin Hoyt Walden, Chocolicious, Poppy Florals and Christina's Epicure.

Friends and family came together, as the students modeled with big smiles down the runway. Olivia Gallo, president of the Class of 2024, led in organizing this event with Paula Norton, the Class of 2024 adviser. They worked tirelessly with the students to bring this idea to fruition. Jaiya Chetram was the wonderful MC for the night. What a fabulous job done to all the students for putting this together. Events like these make us proud for living in our small community of Oyster Bay when everyone can get together and support each other.



GENERATIONS CONNECT

Students from Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School bonded with older adults from the Life Enrichment Center at Oyster Bay on April 5th. Second graders in Megan Wagenhauser's class invited them to the school library where they performed two stories, participated in a spring craft, enjoyed some delicious snacks and played a game of bingo.

The performance at the start of the gathering was part of the second graders' Readers' Theater program. The students performed Daniel Kirk's books "Library Mouse: A Friend's Tale" and "Library Mouse: A World to Explore" for their special guests. They each took turns re-enacting and reading lines from the two books. After the show, the students joined the older adults at the library tables for an art project. Since the main character of their two books, Sam, liked to write, the groups each received a notebook. Together, they created a cherry blossom tree cover using colored tissue paper and colored pencils.

Following the craft, the second graders and older adults enjoyed some snacks together and played a friendly game of bingo. All winners received a prize. The partnership was a wonderful way to connect the students with community members.



AUTHOR VISIT

Students at James H. Vernon School heard from New York Times bestselling author Susan Verde. Ms. Verde, a former elementary school teacher, conducted three presentations throughout the school day for the different grade levels. She shared her personal background, her journey from a kindergarten teacher to full-time author and her process as a writer.

In addition, the students learned about Ms. Verde's role as a yoga instructor for kids where she teaches them to be more mindful. During the presentations, she led the students through two breathing exercises and some yoga poses, leaving them feeling inspired and motivated to pursue their passions. Many students expressed their love for reading and writing and even aspired to become authors themselves.



All-County Art Exhibit

Fifteen student artists from throughout the district had their artwork on display at the 19th Annual Nassau All-County Art Exhibition at Long Beach High School. Run by the Art Supervisors Association, the exhibit featured student artists from throughout Nassau County.

Students were selected for the exhibit by their art teachers. Each Nassau County high school also selected one of its seniors to be awarded the ASA Senior Scholarship. Oyster Bay High School senior Grace Maldonado was presented with the scholarship during the event. Congratulations to all the students who had their spectacular artwork showcased at the All-County Art Exhibition.

Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School: Mackenzie Cali, Katelyn Petrello and Jonah Smith.

James H. Vernon School: Emma Kim, Anna Laurita and Jeffrey Zheng.

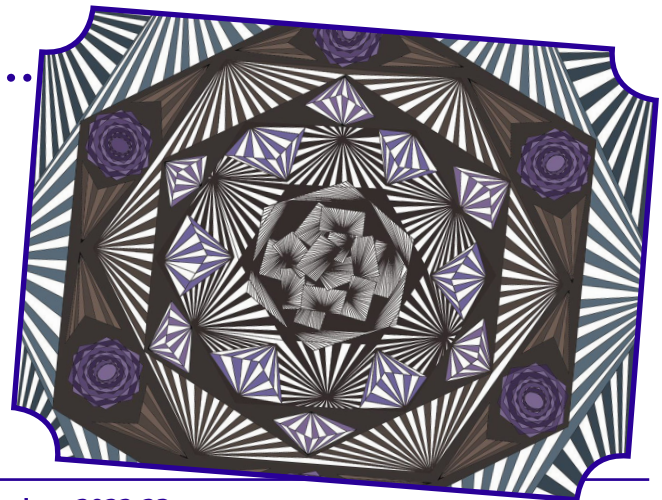
Oyster Bay High School: William Amiama, Savanna King, Joseph LaRosa, Julia Milos, Sophia Staphos and Taylor Torres.

Long Island Media Arts Show

Nine students from Oyster Bay High School will have their artwork featured in the Long Island Media Arts Show. The show will be held at Five Towns College from April 21st to May 15th. Congratulations to all the students below. We are so proud of you!

Students from Mr. Boris' class: Nicholas Andrianopoulos, Ryan Barone, Rebecca Castillo, Grace Maldonado, Mauricio Reyes-Canales, Paige Sweeney and Claudia Torres.

Students from Ms. Randazzo/Ms. Fedorko's class: Nancy Abode and Laura McKeivitt.



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