



Arts Integration Residency

Background:

Van Cortlandt Park Alliance (VCPA) is proud to introduce our Arts Integration Residency, an interdisciplinary education program aimed at fostering historical, social, and emotional awareness among Bronx middle school students.

Program Highlights:

Historical Context: Introduces students to the history of enslaved people in Van Cortlandt Park, emphasizing the impact of historical events and figures.

Arts Integration: Uses creative writing and drama exercises to help students explore historical viewpoints and develop empathy.

Social-Emotional Learning: Engages students in activities that promote understanding and connection to different perspectives and cultures.

2 Day Program Overview:

Day 1:

Location: Classroom

In Lesson #1, students explore the historical context of Van Cortlandt Park, delving into its origins, the lives of enslaved individuals, and the impact of historical events and figures. Through interactive activities and reflective exercises, students will gain a deeper understanding of these historical perspectives and their significance.

Day 2:

Location: Van Cortlandt Park

In Lesson #2, students visit Van Cortlandt Park to explore landmarks related to the history of enslaved people. Through guided tours and discussions, they will connect their historical knowledge with present-day sites and community projects, deepening their understanding of the park's significance and its impact on local history.

For more information or to register your class, please contact:

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