

School Governance Council Meeting 5/28/2025

Attendance:

Mr. Ferreira

Jessica Gaddis

Isa Alves

Peggy Terhune

Joarsis Hernandez-Tapia

Jazmin Alves

Melissa Labbe

Mr. Cheatham

Mr. Cheatham – Welcomed everyone and started our meeting!

Mrs. Terhune – April 2025

WAMS / Palace Theater

- The Spring Dance performance was held on May 6 (rehearsal May 5).
- Last week, the WAMS SpringFest music concert was held at the Palace on May 20 (rehearsal May 19).
- The Spring Chorus Concert will be on June 4.
- NHS students participated in their recycling program at the Palace last week.
- Looking ahead, WAMS Academic Awards and Graduation are coming in June!
 - In total, we host around 10 college, middle and high school graduations in May & June.

Other education-related events

- We hosted the Teacher of the Year awards on May 22nd.
- This week, we have 4 nights of Halo Awards (May 27-30). I believe that WAMS' night to attend is Wednesday.

Palace Season 2025-2026:

Austen's Pride, Tina: The Tina Turner Musical, Clue, Blue Man Group, Stereophonic, The Music Man.

There will be educational opportunities for some of these shows, and the “Learning in the Wings” technical apprenticeship program. Interested rising juniors and seniors should reach out to Dave Flowers next fall.

Ms. Gaddis - Shakesperience

At WAMS

- Encore: to help with the script adaptation and an hour of games to give Alicia Magliaro a break in the day. We will provide support elsewhere as needed.
- Emily Mattina and Dr. Stasaitis meeting to plan for next year
- High School: the Shakespeare class wants to do Macbeth next year
- Middle School: Edgar Allen Poe

At Shakesperience

- Two WAMS interns: Madeline Meeker, Angelica Rodriguez-Arroyo
- Summer Neighborhoods June 16-21 focusing on theater, history, and community (see attached flyer)
- Improv workshops at the library Tuesdays in July at 5:00 pm

Mr. Ferreira –

Halo Awards – May 27 – May 30

Holiday Hill – 21st Century – May 31st

June 4 – Spring Chorus Concerts by Mr. Schumacher and Ms. Lloga were phenomenal

Remaining weeks!

Monday 5/26-NO SCHOOL MEMORIAL DAY

Tuesday 5/27- A Day

Grade 8 Holiday Hill

Wednesday 5/28- B Day

Grade 8 goes to NYC

Senior students present to Junior class on college planning 9AM

Thursday 5/29-A Day

Art Show 5-7PM

Choreography Showcase

Friday 5/30- B Day

MS Math Competition

Monday 6/2- A Day

Holiday Hill Grade 12

Tuesday 6/3- B Day

Senior Exams 1B & 2B during class time

Wednesday 6/4- A Day

Chorus Concert

Thursday 6/5-B Day

Senior Exams 3B & 4B during class time

WAMS Presents at the BOE meeting

Grand Oak Villa Grade 8

Tri-M

MS Grad Practice

Friday 6/6-A Day

Urban Air Grade 8 Perfect Attendance

Senior Field Day at school 11AM to sign yearbooks

WAMOS

LAST FULL DAY OF SCHOOL

Monday 6/9

EXAMS 1A/2A

Middle school students go to their 1A and 2A class

11AM Dismissal for students

Grade 8 Promotion 11AM

Senior Awards Night 6-8

Tuesday 6/10

EXAMS 3A/4A

Middle school students go to their 3A and 4A class
11AM Dismissal for students

Wednesday 6/11
EXAMS 1B/2B
Middle school students go to their 1B and 2B class
11AM Dismissal for students

Thursday 6/12
EXAMS 3B/4B
Middle school students go to their 3B and 4B class
11AM Dismissal for students
9AM Graduation

Friday 6/13
Makeup Exams if needed
Last day

Please join me in congratulating the incredibly talented cast and crew of *Pippin* on their **Halo Awards nominations!** These awards celebrate excellence in high school theatre across the state, and we are so proud to see our students recognized for their hard work, talent and dedication.

Nominations:

Best Performance in a Comedic male role in a musical- Geno Bascetta as Lewis

Best hair and/or make-up design and execution- Emily Penhallow

Best Featured Dancer- Donovan Wade

Best Chorus- The Cast of Pippin

Best Performance in a supporting Female role in a Musical- Madeline Meeker as *Fastrada*

Best Performance by a couple/dynamic duo in a Musical- Jaheim Moaze and Billie Labriola as *Leading Players*

Best Performance in a Leading Male role in a Musical- Quinn Soulliere as *Pippin*

Best Classical Musical- WAMS Pippin

Let's all wish them the best of luck as they take the Palace stage one final time this Wednesday for their *Pippin* Mash-up performance.

Mrs. Labbe – PTSO

Presenting 2 scholarships: Julia Dumont and Sophia Schade. There is a student going to the Navy (Zaire Scarlett) and another to the Army (Navin Ramos). They will receive a \$250 scholarship for a night out with the family and/or expenses upon departing before going off to boot camp.

Miss Alves –

National Honor Society had a ceremony for their new inductees. They also held their first meeting.

Concerts were great.

All classes preparing for concerts.

International Museum Day – May 18th (Tree of Life) Evolutionary relationships among organisms.

Miss Hernandez-Tapia –

Attended an orientation for UCONN and selected her classes.

Working on finals and preparing for graduation.

Had an opportunity to meet and talk to students and professors.

This is a very sentimental time.

Mrs. Labbe –

Had an opportunity to chaperone the prom. Everyone looked amazing. Looking forward to doing it again next year. Additionally, Julian and Joarsis - looked stunning.

Mr. Cheatham read notes Mr. Donato – Waterbury Symphony Orchestra

The WAMS program is up for renewal at the next July Board of Education meeting and all goes as planned. Further, we just had a great event where students from Brass City Charter School in the WSO strings program had a field trip to WAMS, where they sat in with the WAMS orchestra. It was marvelous and exposed these younger students to the great WAMS program.

Mrs. Alves –

Thankful for all of the partnerships that we have here at WAMS.

June 5th WAMS will do the presentation to the Board of Education.

Mr. Thomas from Carrington School will join us at WAMS 2025-2026.

Mr. Ferreira has been a phenomenal addition to the WAMS administrative team. I have seen Mr. Ferreira at just about every event during and after school. He has attended field trips, Hall of Fame, ran the 21st Century after-school program, was on stage at the National Honor Society induction ceremonies, in charge of the Holiday Hill trip on a Saturday just to name a few. Somehow, he manages to be here early in the morning to greet everyone. His work ethic demonstrates commitment and dedication to our team. This is what makes working at WAMS so amazing!!!!

Next meeting September 17th @9:00 am

The Waterbury Arts Magnet
School Music Department
Presents...

SpringFest' 2025

Featuring WAMS Band, Modern
Band, Jazz Band, Guitar Ensemble,
and Orchestra



Tuesday, May 20, 2025

Time: 7:00-9:00PM

The Waterbury Palace Theater

Ticket Price:
\$5 In Advance
\$7.50 At The Door

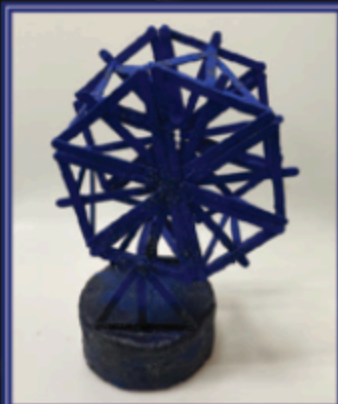


Waterbury Arts Magnet School Visual Arts
Department Presents...



Art Show

Opening Reception
Thursday, May 29, 2025
5pm-7pm
Located in the WAMS Atrium



Waterbury Arts Magnet School Dance Dept. Presents...

CHOREOGRAPHY

Thursday, May 29, 2025

SHOWCASE

6:00 in the Large Dance Studio

Suggested Donation \$5



DIRECTED BY CHERYL WIRTH SANTULLI



The Waterbury Arts Magnet School Music Department Presents...

THE FRENCH CONNECTION

Wednesday, June 4, 2025
7PM
Palace Theater

Tickets are:
\$7.50 at the door
\$5.00 in advance

Featuring the combined
High School and Middle School
Choirs



School's OUT!

FULL-WEEK ART PROGRAMS @ The MATT!

SUMMER

JUNE 30 - AUGUST 8

Drop off your child for a week of art and history exploration in the Museum's galleries!

Marvelous Me:	June 30 - July 3
Mini MIXMASTER:	July 7-11
Georgia's Garden:	July 14 - 18
Melodic Masterpieces:	July 21-25
Capes & Canvases:	July 28 - August 1

A Superhero Spectacular

Grumbling Gryphons	August 4-8
Theater Camp	

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED



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Chimes of Change: Summer 2025 in Celebration of Connecticut's 250th Birthday

June 17 & 18: 9am-12:30pm

June 19 & 20: 9am-3pm

June 21: 9am-11:30am
(Performances at 10:30am)

A humanities-based initiative exploring the intersection of time, history, personal and community transformation. Through performances, storytelling, exhibitions, and discussions, participants examine how the passage of time has shaped Waterbury's communities and identities. We are honored to welcome Phil Benevento, a retired educator and former Waterbury City Historian, as a guest speaker during this celebration.



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TIME & DAY

Wednesday, June 25, 2025
9:00 am – 2:00 pm

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For students entering the 9th grade in the fall

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- **No cost to attend**
- **Lunch provided daily**
- **Arrangements can be made with your local State's Attorney's Office to provide transportation to the Chief State's Attorney's Office in Rocky Hill**

APPLICATIONS ARE DUE BY JUNE 1ST

✉ kimberly.donaldson@ct.gov
or your local
State's Attorney's Office

Office of the Chief State's Attorney
C/O Kimberly Donaldson
300 Corporate Place
Rocky Hill, CT 06067

Apply Online





117 Bank St, Waterbury, CT www.shakesperience.org

All events are FREE! Doors open for the entire 36 hours!
Students must be accompanied by an adult

7am–8am: **Grand Reveal:** Experience our newly renovated space!

*8am–9am: **Parts Making A Whole:** Montage of staff and actors—past and present—sharing stories and text.

*9am–10am: **Past and Present Make a Future:** Highlights from our most recent programming.

10am–12pm: **Poetry Workshop:** Experience our newest interactive!

12pm–1pm: **Shakespeare Interactive Workshops:** Participate in the workshop that has taken CT by storm since 1996.

1pm–2pm: **Neighborhoods!:** Enjoy some of our favorite scenes from our Neighborhoods! script. Then share your own story of Waterbury.

2pm–3pm: **Perspectives!** Can you build a representation of the same picture with Legos or Play-doh? Different sizes or angles?

3pm–4pm: **Mythology:** Saturday Acting Intensives Students perform from our collection of mythology scenes

4pm–5pm: **Art Gallery (MaryAnn Kochanowski):** Explore MaryAnn's creative journey through 'Anxiously Abstract.' Visit website: <https://sites.google.com/view/anxiouslyabstract/home>

5pm–6pm: **Cyril the Sorcerer:** Once upon a River, a fairytale environmental magic show.

6pm–7pm: **Magic School:** Waterbury's Society of Young Magicians offers a beginner's class in magic for ages 7–17.

7pm–9pm: **Play Festival (writing):** Draw a prompt from a hat and write using objects in the studio for inspiration.

9pm–11pm: **Play Festival (rehearsal):** Rehearse the plays created in the previous hour.

11pm–12am: **Play Festival (performance):** New pieces created in under two hours ready for their debut!

12am–4am: **Shakespeare's Sonnets:** Read. Every. Single. One.

+4am–6am: **US Autism Association:** Streaming video recordings of The Dramatic Arts with Elaine Hall; Voices Across the Spectrum: Mickey Rowe, Seamus Higgins, and Henry Durham

*6am–7am: **We're All In This Together:** Montage of our Neighborhoods program: a community collaboration since 2013.

7am–9am: **Board of Directors Hour:** Our "Thank you" to our Board of Directors for all the time and commitment to the mission.

+9am–11am: **US Autism Association** Video presentation of Fearlessly Different: From Special Education to Broadway's Biggest Stage; Behind the Scenes: Ron Zimmerman in conversation with Mickey Rowe

11am–12pm: **Mathnasium:** Solve a Rubix Cube. Play Connect Four. Sign up your child for math tutoring. All courtesy of our friends at Mathnasium on West Main Street

12pm–2pm: **Plays by David Sirois:** Series of short plays with Q&A afterward.

2pm–3pm: **Writing Workshop:** Share a work in progress, discuss with fellow writers, and hear it read aloud by actors.

3pm–4pm: **Caesar Alternate Endings:** Acting students from our winter term perform scenes from Julius Caesar followed by improv and discussions exploring different choices and outcomes.

4pm–5pm: **Hamlet:** Spring Acting Intensives students present their final performance.

5pm–6pm: **Shakespeare in the Litchfield Hills: Friends of Shakespeare in the Litchfield Hills discuss upcoming events! Live both in our Waterbury studio and Washington's Ideas Depot!

6pm–7pm: **Final Countdown of Give Local 2025 From two locations: Waterbury & Washington Depot!

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OUR ARTISTIC DIRECTOR



Emily Martinez
Ms. Martinez earned a B.A. from the University of New Hampshire with a major in Theater and an M.A. in 17th Century English Literature with an emphasis on Shakespeare from the University of Newcastle-Upon-Tyne, England. A founder of Shakespeare Productions, Inc., she has led the art and education programs since the company's inception. She developed the Shakespeare Approach through the many workshops and residency programs under her direction.

FALL SESSION

October 12 – December 7

No class on Saturday November 30

Gift of the Magi

Students will perform alongside our resident professional actors to bring Emily Martinez's adaptation of the classic holiday tale to life.

Grades 2-5, 9:00am-10:00am
Cost \$300 (Scholarships Available)
Location Shakespeare Studio

Holidays with the Three Kings

Using their magic wands, the Three Kings watch the dramatic events of how Waterbury Residents celebrate different Holidays during the winter season. Stories based on interviews and research done in conjunction with our Neighborhood Program.

Grades 6-12, 10:30am-12:30pm
Cost \$300 (Scholarships Available)
Location Shakespeare Studio



WINTER SESSION

January 4 – February 15

Snow date February 22

Exploring Folklore

Students explore characters and themes in folktales from many different cultures. Students are able to delve deeper into topics introduced in our Folklore Workshop.

Grades 2-5, 9:00am-10:00am
Cost \$300 (Scholarships Available)
Location Shakespeare Studio, Waterbury

Julius Caesar

This tragedy by William Shakespeare shows a fictional account of Caesar's rise to emperor, the conspiracy to his assassination, and the violence and war that follows all wrapped up in supernatural forces including a soothsayer and Caesar's ghost.

Grades 6-12, 10:30am-12:30pm
Cost \$300 (Scholarships Available)
Location Shakespeare Studio

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for any of these classes!



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SPRING SESSION

March 8 – April 26

No class April 19

Exploring Mythology

Students explore characters and themes in myths from many different cultures. Students are able to delve deeper into topics introduced in our Mythology Workshop.

Grades 2-5, 9:00am-10:00am
Cost \$300 (Scholarships Available)
Location Shakespeare Studio
*Additional performance during Give Local

Shakespeare Title

By popular demand, this year will include TWO Shakespeare plays. This second play will be announced at a later date.

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2025



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Call 203-580-4298 to learn more about this service.

No appointments are necessary.

The UCC is located at 141 East Main St, Waterbury

What Are Some Reasons A Youth Might Come To The UCC?

- Thoughts of suicide or self-injury
- Feelings of depression, anxiety or hopelessness
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Llame al 203-580-4298 para aprender más sobre este servicio. No hay necesidad de cita previa. El UCC se ubicado en 141 East Main Street, Waterbury

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- Sentimientos de depresion, ansiedad o desesperanza
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