

SOLEBURY SCHOOL



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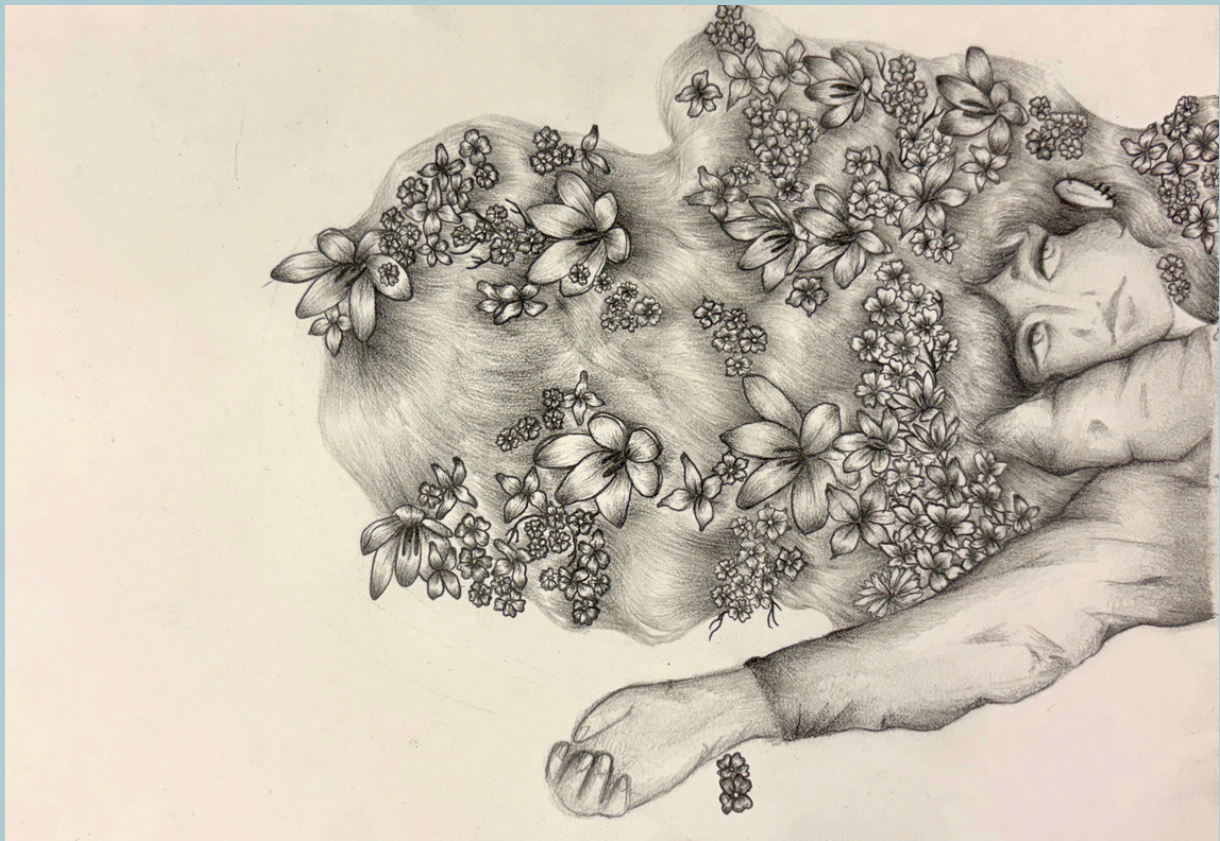
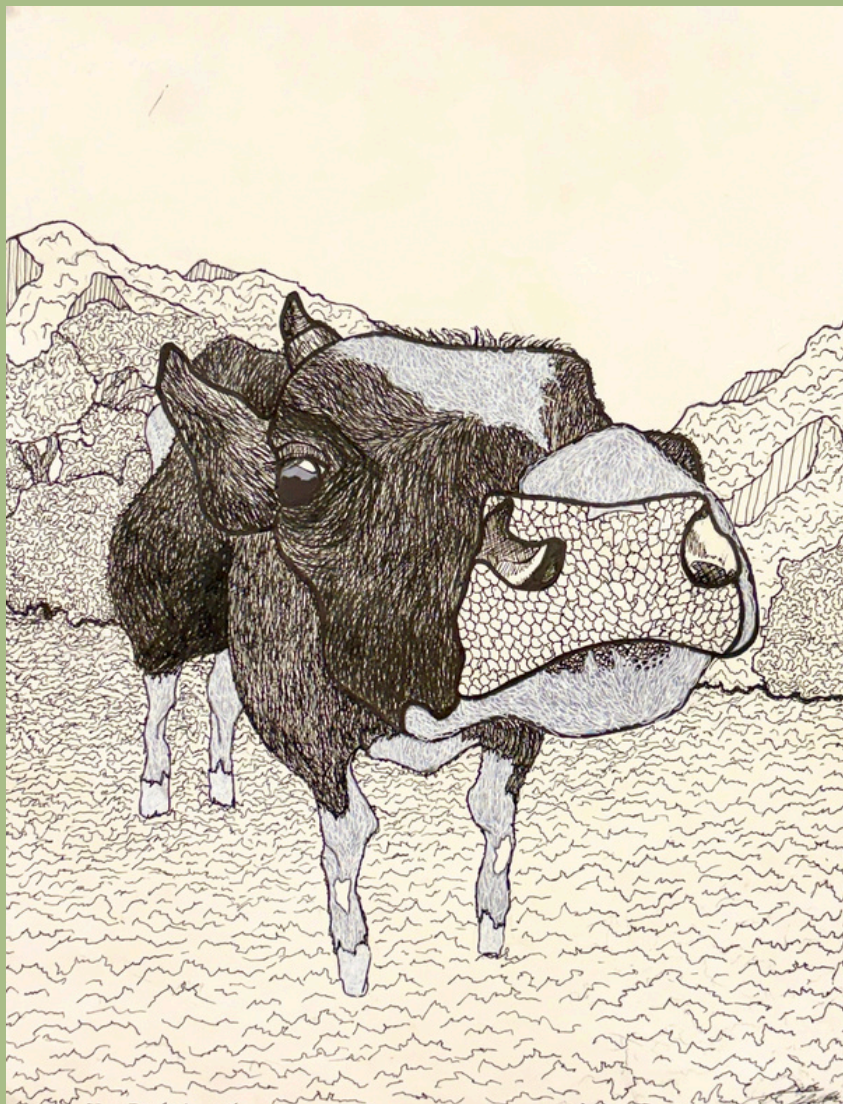


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FROM THE EDITOR

Join us here at Solebury School as we celebrate the Arts with a week-long Arts Festival. This year, our festival is being jointly run by Erika Fairchild, who will be stepping down this year as coordinator, and Titus O'Neal. We are so excited to share the event with you here in the Newsletter!

Performances bring the community together in a celebration of both the performing and the visual arts. Throughout the week, special art activities are scheduled for students and faculty. Students enjoy theatrical and musical performances by well-known artists. Professional artists, musicians, and performers are invited to offer workshops in their crafts during the week. Several art students over the years have also run their own workshops in the various arts.

We hope you will attend both the performance events as well as the workshops and enjoy the weeklong immersion in the arts here at Solebury School.



Chloe Fletcher, AP Art

AP ART: FEATURED STUDENT

FI PUGH

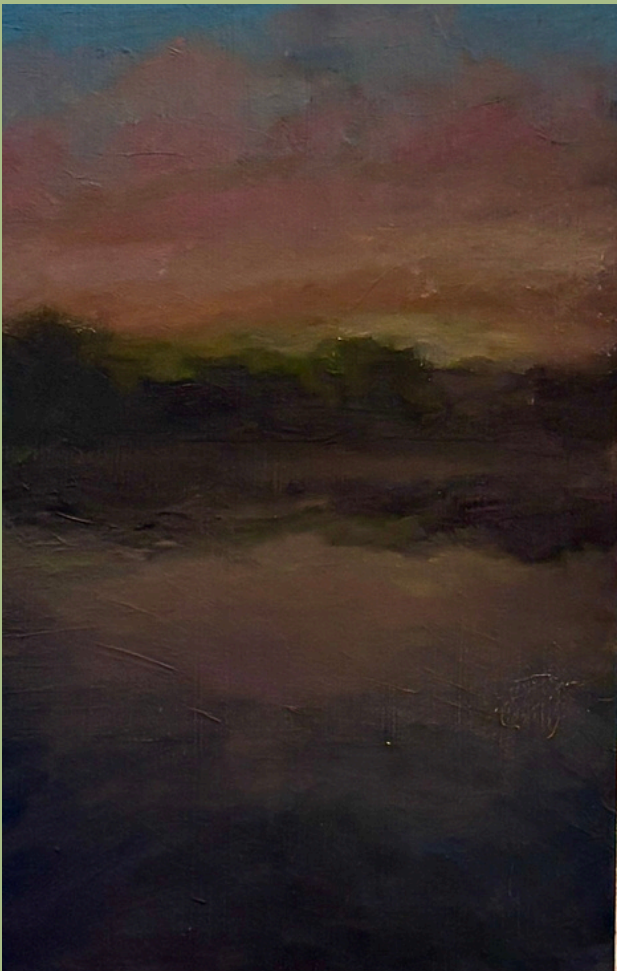


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Sloan Miles



Fi Pugh



Luke Dabo



Heidi Torgerson



Alizia Harris



Ian English

WELCOME!

ARTS FEST

SCHEDULE OF
EVENTS

MONDAY APRIL 13...BUBBLES AND CHALK!!!

TUESDAY APRIL 14...BUBBLES AND CHALK!!!

WEDNESDAY APRIL 15...BUBBLES AND CHALK!!!

DURING CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES, COME JOIN A POTTERY DROP IN!
KIDS CAN COME AND TRY THEIR HAND AT THROWING POTS ON THE
WHEELS AND WILL BE ASSISTED BY THE ART STUDENTS
ASSEMBLY FEATURING HALEH LIZA GAFORI

THURSDAY APRIL 16...BUBBLES AND CHALK!!!

WORKSHOPS!!! MEET AT 1:40 AT YOUR WORKSHOP LOCATION

FRIDAY APRIL 17...BUBBLES AND CHALK!!!

JAZZ ROOTS/ROCK BAND CONCERT

**WEDNESDAY APRIL 22...MORNINGSTAR STUDIO RECORDING
SESSION**

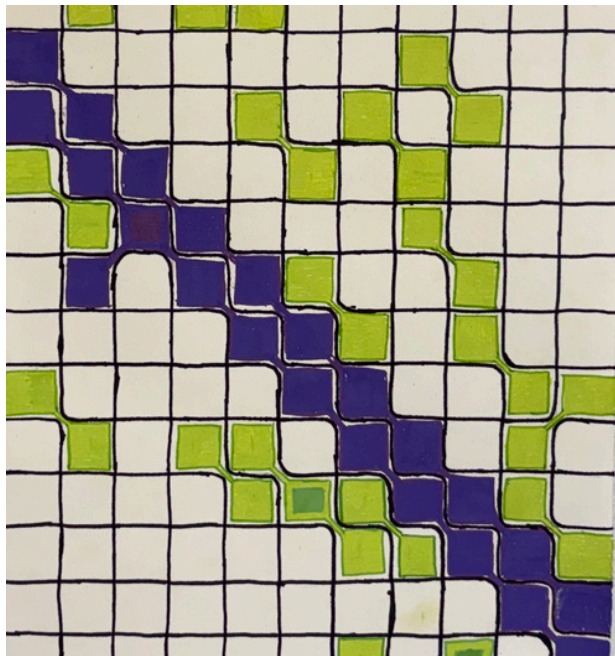
*Sloan Miles*

WEDNESDAY HALEH LIZA GAFORI

ASSEMBLY

Our Wednesday assembly will feature Haleh Liza Gafori, a translator and performance artist who has translated two full books of the Persian poet, Rumi. She will be performing a blend of recitation and cultural/historical context. She will provide insight into her translation choices, with emphasis on common themes in Rumi's poetry and Sufism in general, such as shared humanity, interconnectedness, and compassion.

"Haleh Liza Gafori is a New York City-born translator, performance artist, writer, and educator of Persian descent. A 2024 MacDowell fellow, she has translated the poetry of the Persian mystic and sage Rumi. Her two books of translations, entitled *Gold* (2022) and *Water* (2025), were published by New York Review Books Classics. Supported by an NYSCA grant, Gafori has created a musical and cross-media performance based on the book and has presented her work, via performances, lectures, and workshops, at institutions such as Lincoln Center, Stanford University, the Academy of American Poets, and Sarah Lawrence College. Her book of translations, *Gold*, has been incorporated into the curricula of universities across the country."



Clem Zimmer

WELCOME!

ARTS FEST

WORKSHOPS!!!



Bookmaking with Clara Borthwick

Make your own book with simple materials you can find around the house

Improvised poetry: how to love breaking English with Luna Zilkha...

very often we associate poetic writing with something painstaking, heavily planned, where it takes months to write a page, and every word is imbued with heavenly purposeful endless meaning and references by the author. There are cases where this is true, but what is far more important and less explored is the way in which poetry can form around you if you let it. In this class, we'll be doing a series of activities designed around asking students to learn to step aside and let their emotions write things to love, laugh at, ponder, be proud of, and enjoy. People will perform, of course, and the atmosphere will generally be very relaxed. The main goal is to focus on writing in a way where the writer's genuine contentment is the priority



Raku firing with Erika Fairchild...

If you didn't know already, Erika likes to play with fire - but with total respect and a purpose. American post-fire reduction (AKA Raku) is the instant gratification of the ceramic world. Anyone can watch, and some can participate. Please wear long pants and closed-toed shoes if you plan to participate.

Learn to tap dance!! With Harriet Meshkov

Harriet will teach the most basic steps and format them into a short piece to practice with music. It will be super easy, fun, and memorable. And for the rest of your life, you will be able to say that you know how to tap dance. (No tap shoes needed! Sneakers are fine.)



Brooks Eichen

Vocal Master Class by Christian Lamberti

Christina Lamberti has garnered critical acclaim throughout her successful career as a performer, but she always felt there was something missing. A darker sound with a shimmering top, her protean vocal presence was assumed to be that of a lirico-spinto soprano with much color. And while the versatility remains, her robust voice has only recently made it clear that its true form was being hidden in the spinto repertoire. Now fully realized as a dramatic mezzo-soprano, Christina is primed for roles such as Eboli (*Don Carlo*), Santuzza (*Cavalleria Rusticana*), Amneris (*Aida*), and the title role in *Carmen*.

Recognized internationally, Christina has been hailed for a sound that ranges from “a full-throated performance, riveting in sound and fury” to “such delicate nuances that only the greatest masters can portray.” She has performed for some of the world’s leading organizations, including San Francisco Opera, Houston Grand Opera, Opera Company of Philadelphia, Pittsburgh Opera, Opera Delaware, Buffalo Symphony, Pacific Symphony, Estonian National Opera, Slovenian National Theatre, Singapore Lyric Opera, Singapore Symphony, Teatro Comunale di Atri, and Stattheater Regensburg, where she enjoyed three seasons as the resident leading soprano.

Mend with Rebecca Kelly

Bring your worn, torn, and damaged clothes, work with Rebecca to create beautiful, artistic, and unique patches.

Visual poetry with Theo Knight

This workshop is about creating Visual poetry and how it can come in many forms of expression, like scrapbooking, painting, drawing, and more. I can show off my own works, and so can other people as they explain and share their designs or feelings about their writing.



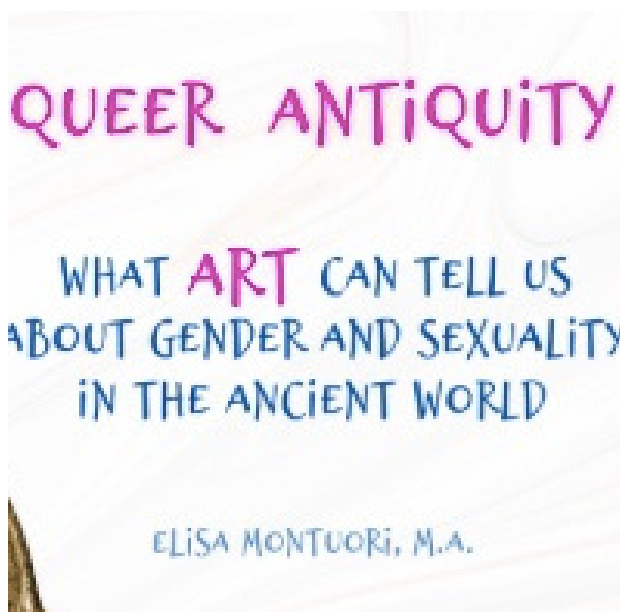
Ancient Greek Art Revealed: It's all in the details. With Elisa Markoff

In this lecture, we will analyze several art objects from the Ancient Greek world and discuss what they reveal to us in terms of gender roles and sexuality. Come prepared to be surprised and learn to interpret subtle details.

This presentation is based on a lecture I gave at Villanova University

Learn how to knit! With Abby Rhode Greene

Learn the basic long-tail cast on, knit stitch, and casting off. So easy you can do it with two pencils and a shoelace! (Can, not will.)





Brooks Eichen

Henna Tattoos with Caitlin

Get ready to dive into the art of henna! Learn how to create beautiful designs and leave with your own cone of henna to practice with.

Improve games with Jane Ullman

Improve games and all...cuz they are fun! A fun theater experience

Wax and Wicks With Ruby Trachtenberg, Genevieve Soden

This is a little Wax and Wicks workshop where we'd have blank tall candles and little tea light colored candles to paint designs on. At the end, you'd get a personality decorated candle (or candle set) for a fancy dinner or just a girls' night.



Music Meet and Greet with Dave Kim

Come and meet Dave Kim, lead singer and songwriter for the Philly-based band, Moonroof. Dave has been making music for over a decade, and Moonroof has been touring around the country for the last few years. This workshop will be an informal discussion about writing music, life in a band, touring, working with a record label, and any other questions you might have for a working music artist!

Author Portraits with Mike Knapp

Students will make "badly drawn" author portraits for the books frequently studied in the English class. They will look at some examples of the art style, practice with samples, and then try their hand at an original portrait to hang in a Solebury classroom.



Photography Fundamentals with Elliot Kerachsky

I would be talking about some fundamentals of photography, as well as what my editing process looks like in Lightroom for photos during daytime, nighttime, and how to make various corrections, such as noise reduction, chromatic aberration, and removing distractions from photos.

I am a 25-year-old who started photographing abandoned buildings at 17 in high school. Since then, I have expanded to video, drone work, and film photography. I love doing event work, capturing street photos, and using my drone to grab stills of amazing cityscapes. My favorite type of shoot has a cyberpunk feel, like imagining a city at night in the rain (think Blade Runner, Tokyo, Hong Kong, etc...)



Plant Pot Painting with Cassidy

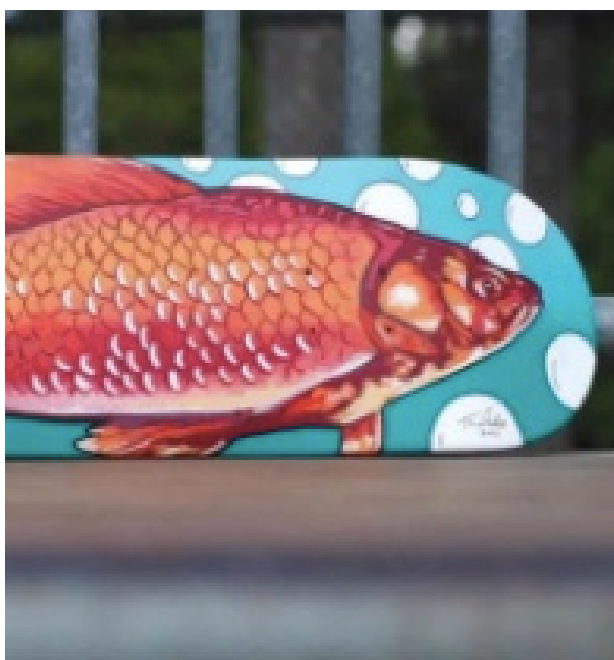
Students will talk about the importance of pollinators and creating natural buffer lands. We will paint a small terracotta pot with beautiful designs to continue to attract native pollinators in our area. Working iwth native parenelial plants.

Traitors Among Us: A Social Deduction Gaming Workshop with Ian

This workshop will look at the art of social deduction and deception in tv shows and games such as The Traitors, Mafia, Werewolf, Among Us, and more. Students and faculty will have the opportunity to play social deduction games as part of this workshop.

Crime Writer With Dennis Tafoya

Crime Writer Dennis Tafoya discusses his journey from reader to writer, the fiction that made him want to write, and how he approaches the core elements of writing. He'll talk about writing his first novel, the TV show adapted by Peter Craig for Apple TV, and answer your questions about writing.



Paint your own Skateboard deck with TBD

Custom design a deck, there are limited numbers of decks available(I got the good kind this year), they make cool shelves for your room, or add trucks and wheels and take them for a ride

Conlang-Constructed languages with Jagoda Furniss

In Fantasy and Sci-Fi books, nothing quite gets me going like constructed languages. Purpose-built languages spoken by characters within the text: Constructed languages, or Conlangs, like Klingon, Na'vi, or Sindarin, can give life and depth to a fictional world.

In this workshop, we will learn some basic aspects of Linguistics: how languages form sounds, how they build words, and how they order them, and then you'll be able to use that knowledge to make the bones of your own realistic-sounding conlang!