



THE DAILY PLANET

Creative Planet School of the Arts

Spring 2005

CPSOA Turns Five

It's hard to believe that this year marks our 5th birthday as we've grown to a full-time, year-round, private, K-8 school of arts, featuring accelerated academics and first-rate performing and visual arts. Our enrollment and teaching staff continues to increase, students' academic test scores remain in the top 20% in the nation, and our arts programs keep reaching new heights!

Goals Set for 2005

As you may already know, our most urgent priority is to find a new home for our growing school in the El Monte, CA area. We're looking for a low-cost facility that can accommodate 7-10 classrooms, an office, a lunch area, and a rehearsal/performance space with room for costumes and sets. If you have any suggestions or leads, please contact us right away.

In addition, we will focus on providing sustainable wages to our grossly underpaid (but wildly appreciated) staff while continuing to offer scholarships and low-cost tuition to our students. Achieving these goals would not be possible without your continuing support, for which we are always grateful. The challenge is on!

CPSOA proudly admits students of any race, color, and national or ethnic origin. We welcome your inquiries!

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Hours Free Morning Care: 7-8:30am
 Academic Schedule: 8:30am-3pm
 After School Arts: 3:15-6pm

Adopt an Artist

Did you know that nearly 85% of our students receive some form of scholarship? To qualify, students go through a rigorous audition and are required to participate in the full day academic and arts classes from 8:30am-6pm, Monday thru Friday, and maintain A's and B's in every subject. While this is a great opportunity for needy and talented students and their families, it means we rely on fundraising to cover the costs of their tuition while keeping our high quality programs intact and striving to pay sustaining wages to our amazingly talented teachers. The following list will give you an idea of how you can make a difference.

Adopt an Artist:

- \$5 buys shoestrings for tap shoes
- \$50 purchases an actual pair of tap shoes
- \$200 pays a full month of arts tuition for one student
- \$300 sends one student to summer camp...really!
- \$500 funds a field trip to the theatre or a museum
- \$1500 pays a teacher's salary for one month
- \$2000 presents an arts scholarship for one year
- \$3000 awards an academic scholarship for one year
- \$5000 gives one year full academic & arts scholarship

Donor benefits include complimentary tours of Creative Planet; invitations to performances, special events and award ceremonies; and the grateful appreciation of our students, staff and volunteers. And as a 501c3 organization, your gift is also tax-deductible.

Celebrity Circle

Congratulations to Joanna Gleason on her recent Tony nomination as we welcome her and husband Chris Sarandon to our already impressive list of industry professionals who donate their time and talents to enrich the lives of our students.

Save The Date: June 8th, 7:30pm

In addition to our busy schedule of community performances, you won't want to miss our new and updated musical production of *God's Spell*!

"the minds to create, the hands to build, and the voices to be heard..."