



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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Manhattan Community Board 8 Youth, Education, and Libraries Committee Joint Meeting With the Arts Committee

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On March 27th, Senator Serrano participated in a meeting with Community Board 8 (CB8), which brought together the Youth, Education, and Libraries Committee and the Arts Committee. The gathering included local elected officials, dedicated arts advocates, and community leaders who all shared a common goal: highlighting the urgent need for sustained funding for arts education in schools. During the meeting, discussions centered on the crucial role that arts programs play in cultivating creativity, fostering cultural understanding, and promoting personal development among students. These conversations aimed to keep both community members and legislators informed about the pressing necessity for increased investment in arts education, which is vital for nurturing the next generation of artists and informed citizens throughout the city and state.