

NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## Senator Serrano Co-Hosts Important Arts Workshop During Caucus Weekend

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Senator Serrano co-hosted an important workshop with Assemblymember Michael Blake during the New York State Black, Puerto Rican, Hispanic And Asian Legislative Caucus weekend entitled, "The Power of Movement: Social Justice, Arts and Culture." This fascinating workshop discussed the nexus between the arts, culture, politics and the struggle for social justice. The workshop explored how to use the arts and culture as an even greater motivating factor to foster civic engagement, fairness and social justice and how to further align our artist community with the ongoing push for community empowerment in our neighborhoods.

"Historically, writers, poets, musicians, dancers, actors and all those within the cultural community have been at the forefront - alongside leaders and advocates - fighting for progressive causes and social justice. There is a direct correlation between the arts and social justice movements and I am happy to have been able to explore that connection further during The New York State Black,

Puerto Rican, Hispanic And Asian Legislative Caucus Weekend. "