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THE VOICE OF YOUNG HSS PATIENTS

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Hospital for Special Surgery is an affiliate of the New York Presbyterian Healthcare System and Weill Medical College of Cornell University
ArtWorks, The Naomi Cohain Foundation, held its 23rd Express Yourself Show at the New York University Kimmel Student Center on May 4th, 2014. Live performances featured poetry reading, tap, interpretative dance, salsa, vocals as well as piano and trumpet solos from children of all ages.

More than 130 pieces of art, including but not limited to drawings, paintings, collages and poetry, were professionally framed and hung in a gallery as well as sculptures, video productions, computer animation and murals were displayed.
Kids from HSS were extremely proud and excited to showcase their talent at the ArtWorks - Express Yourself NYC Show.
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Hospital for Special Surgery
THINGS I LIKE
TO DO

MY FAVORITE
THINGS

THINGS I LIKE

Fill in the blanks below to see all the things you like

My favorite colors are

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My favorite games are

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My favorite movies are

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My favorite books are

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My favorite foods are

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Music groups and singers, I like are

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My favorite TV shows are

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A hobby of mine is

____________________________________________________________________

I am special because

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SUMMER FUN AT HSS WITH THE CHILD LIFE PROGRAM

Everyone looks forward to summer—no school, going to the beach, being on vacation, ice cream ………. Saleana and Lorraine are always working on how to add some fun to your visit to HSS. This summer we decided to have a weekly theme. We kicked off our busy, fun, loud summer with the annual End of School Year Party. This year, we had a Summer Here’s Pajama Party. Everyone wore their PJs and enjoyed making crafts with HSS Volunteers and Volunteers from Project Sunshine. We also learned about healthy, yummy food choices from our friendly nutritionist, Laura Gibofsky. Our CA Technologies Buddies were there to help serve food and make cool crafts as well. Listening to the live music provided by the Ronald McDonald House NY Musical Magic Program, we were all able to sing along---AT THE TOP OF OUR LUNGS---to “ROAR” and “LET IT GO”. Thanks to the Photo Booth that Project Sunshine created, everyone went home with fun photos of themselves in wild outfits.

The remainder of the summer was a weekly fun-fest with the themes of:

- Patriotic Red, White and Blue Week
- Luau Week
- Rock Star Week
- Movie and Movie Stars Week
- Sports Week
- Santa’s on Vacation Week
- Camp S’mores Week
- Ice Cream Week
- Super Heroes Week

With all this going on, we continue to have weekly visits from PG the Magician. Thanks to our friends at the Starlight Foundation, PG is able to entertain every Thursday. And don’t forget, Halloween and Christmas are coming……………………..make sure you are on our mailing list to get invitations about upcoming events. Contact us at ChildLife@hss.edu or call us at 212-606-1959.
Fantastic Costumes and sweet treats are always the big attractions of the Annual Children’s Halloween Parties, sponsored by the Handal Pediatric Fund.

This year’s party activities included decorating pumpkins, face painting, arts and crafts, live music by the Ronald McDonald House NY Musical Magic Band, tap dance performance by John Manzari, photo booth fun with Project Sunshine and puppetry by Lisa Johanson.

The fun didn’t stop there—Everyone took home goodie bags which make for a great celebration even after the party.
Annual Florence and Harvey McCoy Pediatric Christmas Party
(for pediatric patients, age 10 and under, and their families)

Entertainment & Surprise Guest
From the North Pole

Event Coordinated by
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YOU’RE INVITED!

Date: December 4, 2014
Time: 3:30 pm—5:00 pm
Location: Hospital for Special Surgery
535 East 70th St., N.Y., N.Y. 10021
Menschel Education Conference Center, 2nd Fl.
RSVP: By November 3, 2014
212 606 1355 Email: ChildLife@hss.edu
As we expected, lots of people read the latest edition of SPECIAL KIDS and were truly amazed by our contributors’ talents and creativity. We are certain that people will be talking about this edition as well.

Volume 35 of SPECIAL KIDS will be published in January 2015. If you would like to make a contribution to this next edition, please submit by postal mail or email.

Please make sure that your submissions are done on white paper and no bigger than 8 1/2” by 11”. We look forward to publishing your masterpieces in future editions!

Please remember that all issues of SPECIAL KIDS, including names and ages of contributors, will be posted on the HSS website: www.hss.edu

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