



Youth Art | Youth Voices Event

May 5, 2011

The Member's Lounge

Massachusetts State House

June 15, 2011

Dear Representative X,

We are writing to thank you for being part of ART is Part of the Solution, our youth arts event in May that involved both performances and youth statements in the Member's Lounge and visits to offices for personal meetings.

We were so appreciative that you were willing to be at a listening event and hear the powerful stories, statements, and performances of the Massachusetts' young people from your district. For them, it was a formative experience. We hope it was one for you, too.

We look forward to our ongoing relationships with all of you, and to future opportunities to connect you with our young artists as they remind all of us that ART is Part of the Solution for bullying, youth violence, staying in school, learning, mental health, jobs, confidence, education, and quality of life.

Thank you for recognizing how crucial the arts are to all parts of our society, and for your ongoing support of the Massachusetts Cultural Council and other agencies and initiatives that serve our young people and our Commonwealth. Please know that we are at the ready as collaborators in your district if you would like to include us in meetings or other events. And of course, you are always welcome as our guest to witness our young artists as they exhibit and perform in the community.

Sincerely yours,

The staff and youth of
Actors' Shakespeare Project
Boston Arts Academy
The Theatre Offensive
and Raw Art Works