

Culture Dept. Supports Youth Performances
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A core of Culture Department members in New York is conducting performing workshops for the junior high and high school students. These workshops began as a pilot program in April 1996 and culminated in a performance demonstration last September.

Based on the response from the participants, their parents and others, the workshops resumed in November 1996 and have continued monthly.

Their pace will pick up in July and August as the youth prepare for their summer music festival on Aug. 17. This festival will bring together youth from the workshops, youth bands and those who want to write, act or help technically behind the scenes.

The youth themselves are creating this production with enthusiastic support from the youth division and Culture Department.

We Culture Department members recognize that consistent programs that challenge and inspire our youth are essential if we in the SGI-USA intend to assist in their progress and development.

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