

BRING RADICAL HOPE INTO 2022



In this edition, we are highlighting the various ways Girl Be Heard is celebrating the new year. From the return of the Girls Makes Movies program and the much anticipated Girl Be Heard Trinidad & Tobago Unplugged show named 'Radical Hope', join us as we bring radical joy and radical hope into 2022 as a conscious choice and act of courage.

COMPANY MEMBERS SPOTLIGHT:



Jamilah Rosemond

Jamilah Rosemond will be starring in the upcoming Netflix film, "Rustin", alongside Coleman Domingo, Chris Rock, Audra MacDonald, Adrienne Warren, and more.

The film will be a biopic about civil rights leader Bayard Rustin, who fought for gay rights and helped organize the 1963 March on Washington, among many accomplishments.



Elizabeth Shvarts

Elizabeth Shvarts was nominated as the 2021-2022 NYC Youth Poet Laureate by Urban Word NYC. She was also recently accepted into Yale University.

"When I found out I was 2022 NYC Youth Poet Laureate I was overcome with sheer joy, gratitude, and awe, both at how far I'd come as an artist, and at being the first YPL from Staten Island, but in the promise of "Rustin" is co-produced by Barack Obama, Michelle Obama, Dustin Lance Black, and Bruce Cohen, and directed by George C. Wolfe. possibility."

"As a first-generation Russian-Jewish American I'm also ecstatic to be in Yale, but the people I was with made the moment even more special."

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

"To love deeply and transform spaces unapologetically."

LIZ SHVARTS, GBH COMPANY MEMBER

"I'm going to be working on writing more, specifically trying to write short stories. I also want to go to the gym more. I really love lifting and have been wanting to do it more consistently."

VICTORIA MOSCOSO, GBH COMPANY MEMBER "I don't like the idea of a new year's resolution. I believe in a more none hesitant approach. I think 'Keep Growing, Keep Learning, Keep Experiencing.'
Learning doesn't stop just because you're in a transition period."

JAI CAMACHO, GBH COMPANY MEMBER

GBH NEWS

Congratulations to our board member Tonya Pinkins for her role
as Alma Cartha, Emmett Till's grandmother, in "Women of the
Movement", a show about Mamie Till Mobley who devoted her life
to seeking justice for her son Emmett Till after his brutal murder
in the Jim Crow South. Watch "Women of the Movement" on ABC
at 8 PM on Thursdays or stream it on Hulu.

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 We exceeded our #BrooklynGives fundraising goal of \$50,000 and raised \$56,414 to support our year-round programming. Thank you for your support and generosity!
 Because of you and Brooklyn Community Foundation, hundreds of Girl Be Heard participants will be able to access our theatermaking, writing, and storytelling programs for free.

GBH PROGRAMS HIGHLIGHTS



GBH participants at Brooklyn Prep working on their original poems.

- GBH successfully continues to move forward with after-school programming at Brooklyn Prep, Humanities Prep, MS 381, MS 88, Susan McKinney.
- We are excited to launch after-school workshops at the Girls Prep, Horan School, and Urban Assembly this January.
- Weekend Workshops convene emerging artivists from all across the city to explore identity and leadership, power, privilege and oppression, and art and activism. We are welcoming participants to join the cohorts in the Bronx, Manhattan, Brooklyn, or Queens. Please reach out to Community Programs Manager, Amalia Rojas at amalia@girlbeheard.org.
- GBH is able to provide this FREE programming because of funding support received from the New York City Council. Thank you to our Council Members for their continued support!

GIRLS MAKE MOVIES



Girls Make Movies is back! The Spring 2022 cohort will begin weekly workshops on February 22, 2022. **Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis with a priority given to applicants who submit before February 16, 2022**. For more information, contact Nell Johnson at nell@girlbeheard.org.

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"Extraordinary times call for a radical response. In spite of daily uncertainties, we dare to dream, create and design a new world. Welcome to Radical Hope!

This is where we celebrate identity, culture and power as our girls share their magic and visions for irresistible social change!"

Join us virtually via Zoom on January 28, 2022 at 5 pm (EST) to watch Girl Be Heard Trinidad and Tobago's Unplugged: Radical Hope.

Click <u>here</u> to register! Follow @girlbeheard and @girlbeheard_tt for the latest updates.

REGISTER FOR FREE

OPPORTUNITIES & RESOURCES

Girl Be Heard is hiring <u>Social Media Video Content Creators</u>.
 This is an exciting paid opportunity for girls, young women, and non-binary youth ages 15 - 22 with a passion for social justice and a flair for creating TikToks and Instagram reels.

- Join Girl Be Heard's <u>Associate Board</u>. It is a rewarding experience for those who are committed to youth empowerment and it also provides invaluable exposure to fundraising training and non-profit management. Email Jenifer Diaz at jdiaz@girlbeheard.org for more information.
- **Elect Her** is a one-day training for young women on why and how to run for student government and political office. 90% of alums who run for office win. Email electher@runningstart.org to bring Elect Her to your school.
- Radical Hope: Ethics in the Face of Cultural Devastation
 by Jonathan Lear explores the question of how cultures, in this
 study the Crow Tribe, respond to the demise of their own culture.

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