

# Expanded Horizons 2024 Seasonal Recap

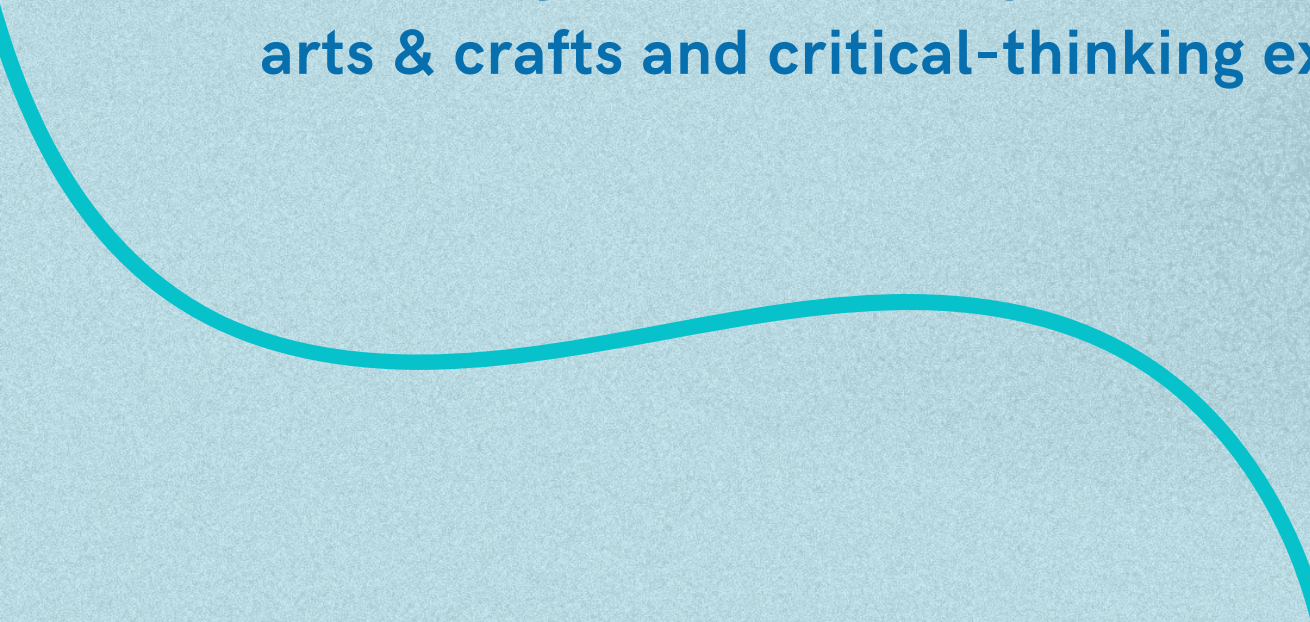




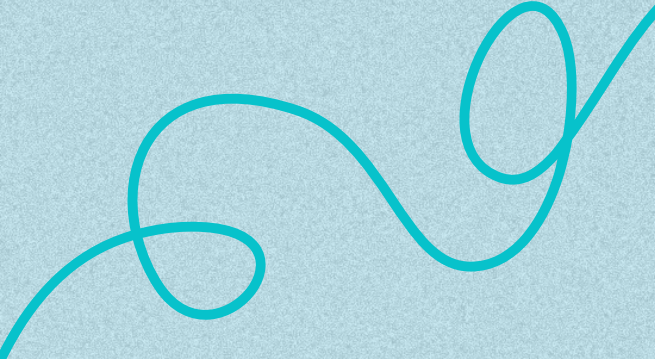


# We had a blast

hosting our Expanded Horizons students for our jam-packed 2024 summer program of learning, laughing and creating. This year's program consisted of a range of reading, STEM building activities, puzzle-making, arts & crafts and critical-thinking exercises.

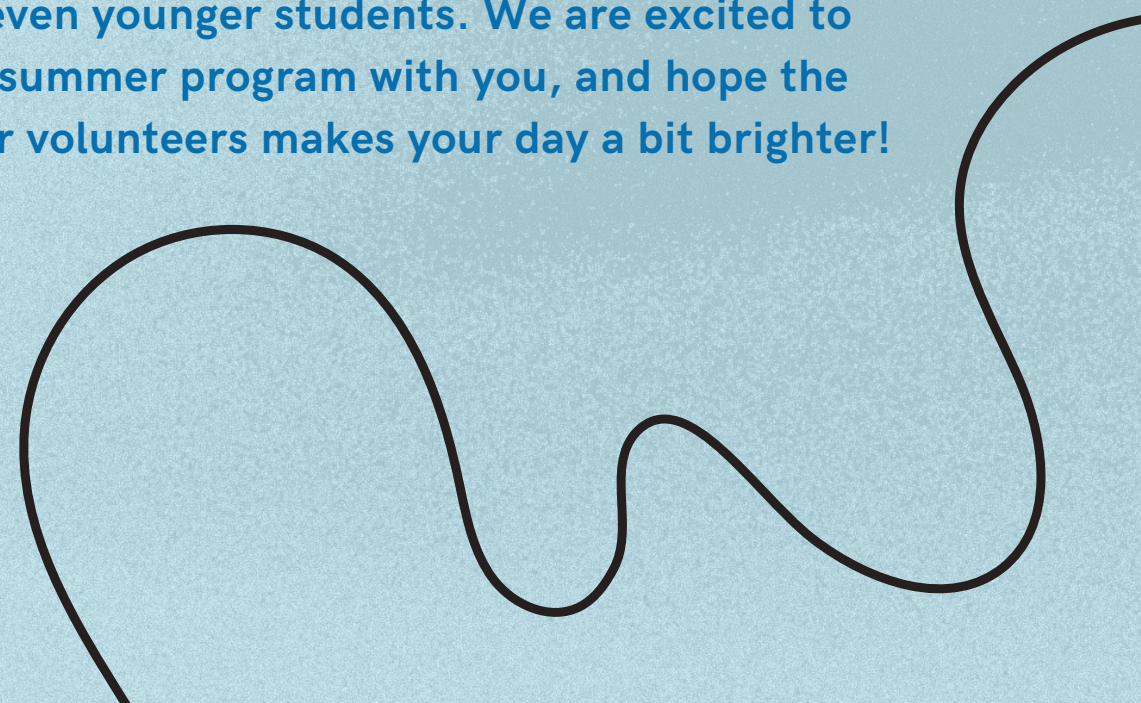






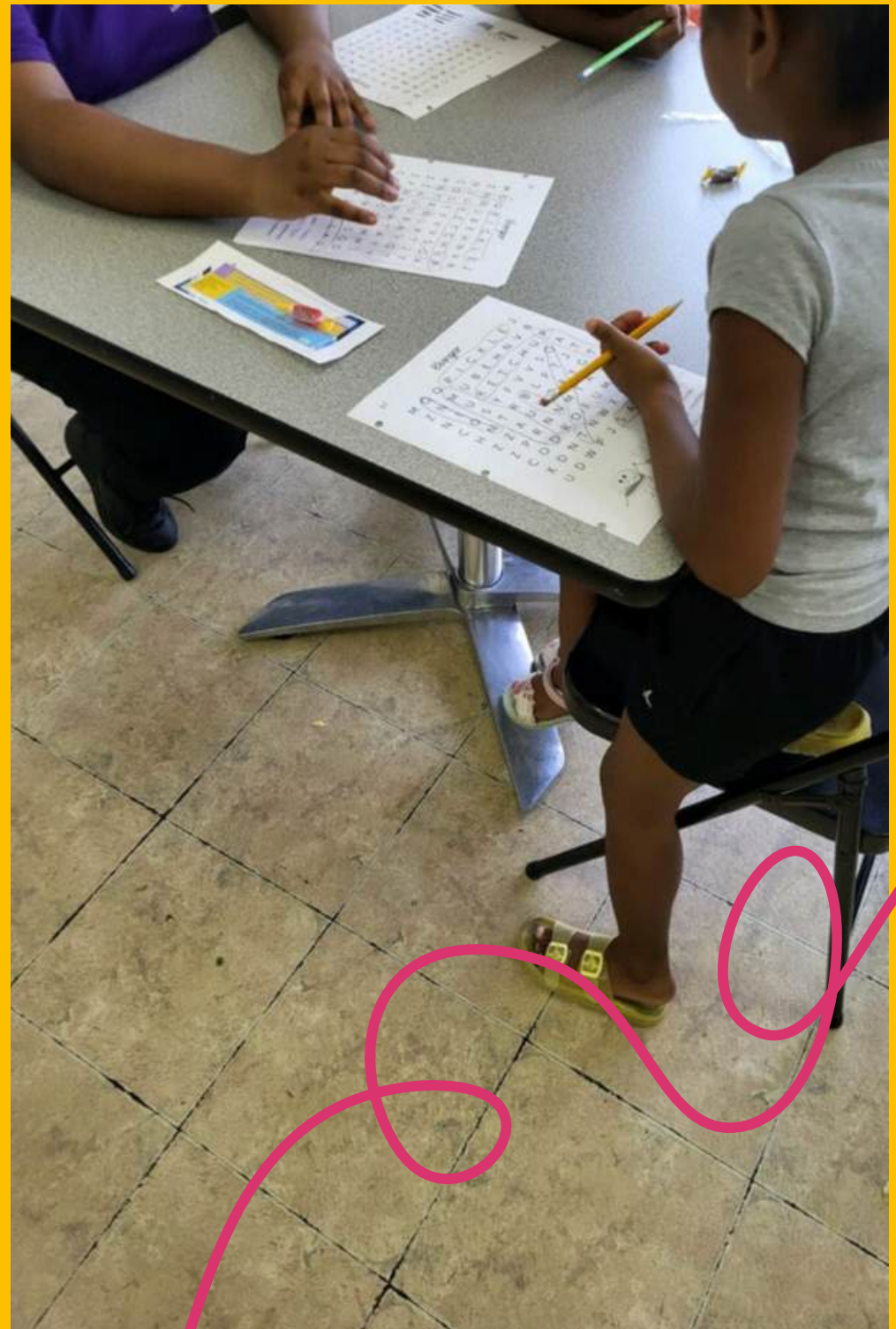
As our team reflects on this year's summer learning extravaganza, our fondest memories were witnessing the growth and development of recurring students who attended our program last year, and seeing how many new and eager students walked away with more confidence in their cognitive and reading abilities.

This year was also notably memorable due to our record-breaking number of youth volunteers and activity instructors who devoted their time and creativity to being incredible leaders for our even younger students. We are excited to recap some of the highlights of our summer program with you, and hope the photos and stories from some of our volunteers makes your day a bit brighter!





# Learning in Action



# Shining Stars:

## Spotlighting our Teen Volunteers

Every summer program year is different; often resulting in a different set of volunteers, a different group of students and a different mix of academic curriculum activities.

This year's program was uniquely out of the ordinary, in the best of ways, because it showcased a record high in teenage volunteer instructors who left a lasting impact on our students.

We believe that when youth help to guide other youth, it fuels an even deeper sense of community, trust and relationship-building that in most cases, is an unmatched exchange.

Knowing how busy teenagers are, in the age of automation and technology, this summer was an incredible sight to see.



# Amani's Volunteer Experience

## What was your role for the summer program this year?

My role as a summer volunteer for Expanded Horizons was to assist teaching EH students educational activities based on their ages & grade levels.

## What activities did you lead the students through?

I was primarily responsible for leading arts & crafts activities like popsicle stick art making. During the activities, I made sure to encourage the children to use their imaginations and motivate them to create works of art that they would be proud of.

## What has volunteering meant to you this summer?

Volunteering is important to me because it allows children to network and form bonds with their community. Volunteering also gives children a positive outlet to communicate with others by enhancing their learning experiences.

I believe that teen volunteers help guide children to success. Teen volunteers are especially important because they give children a younger role model that they might not have ever had.



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**-Amani**



# Chanan's Volunteer Experience

**What was your role for the summer program this year?**

My role this summer for Expanded Horizons was to lead the children through educational activities and facilitate entertaining exercises.

**What activities did you lead the students through?**

I was responsible for leading the students through LEGO building, which aimed to develop the students' fine motor skills while boosting their creativity.

**What has volunteering meant to you this summer?**

Volunteering is important because you can help others and especially children. Being a teen volunteer reinforces the value of giving our time to others and sometimes even our resources.







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-Chanan



# Danielle's Volunteer Experience

What was your role for the summer program this year?

My volunteer role this summer was to be a math, reading & creative arts instructor.

What activities did you lead the students through?

I was primarily responsible for taking the children through crochet classes. At my station, I taught the students how to chain stitch with a hook and yarn. This activity taught the kids the value of concentration while aiding in developing their fine motor skills.

What has volunteering meant to you this summer?

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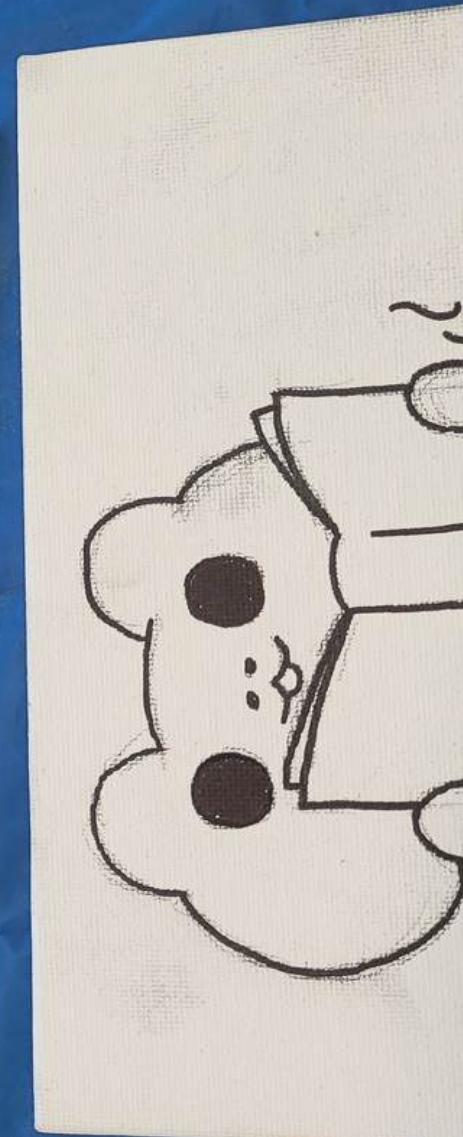


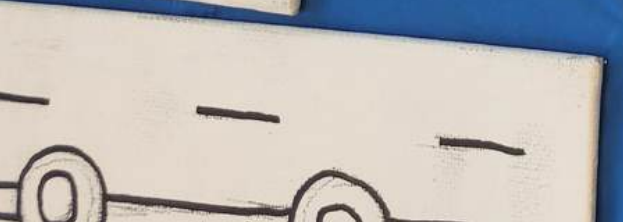
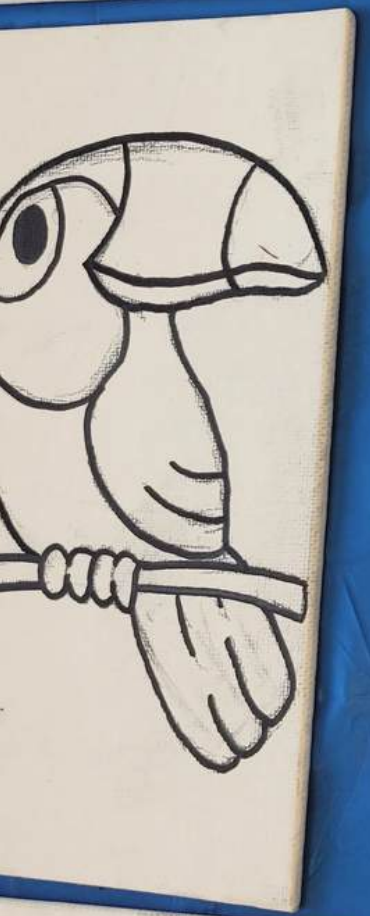
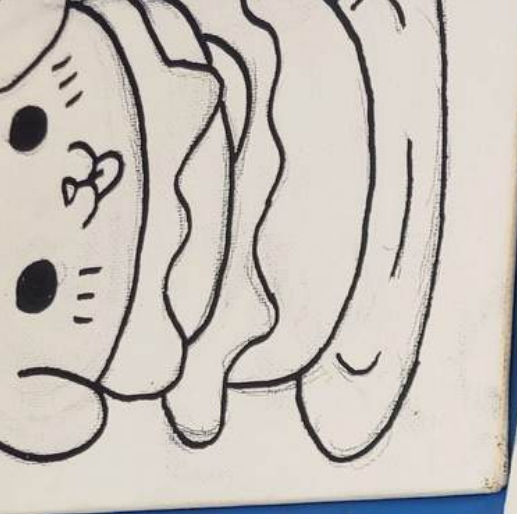
# Tracy K's Volunteer Contributions

Recently, our Volunteer Youth Team Leader, Tracy K., was responsible for channeling her artistic gifts to create several works of canvas art that our EH students used to paint their own unique compositions.

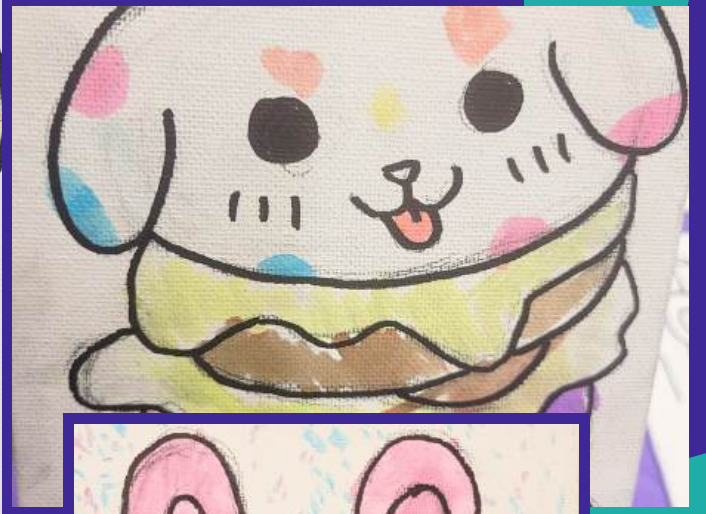
The time, effort and creativity that Tracy put into each canvas has not gone unnoticed and we appreciate her dedication & leadership!

Fun fact: Tracy has been with us since she was in 3rd grade. She started off at EH as a student in the organization and has grown up with us! Now a high school senior preparing for graduation in 2025, her role as Volunteer Youth Team Leader is a full circle moment.







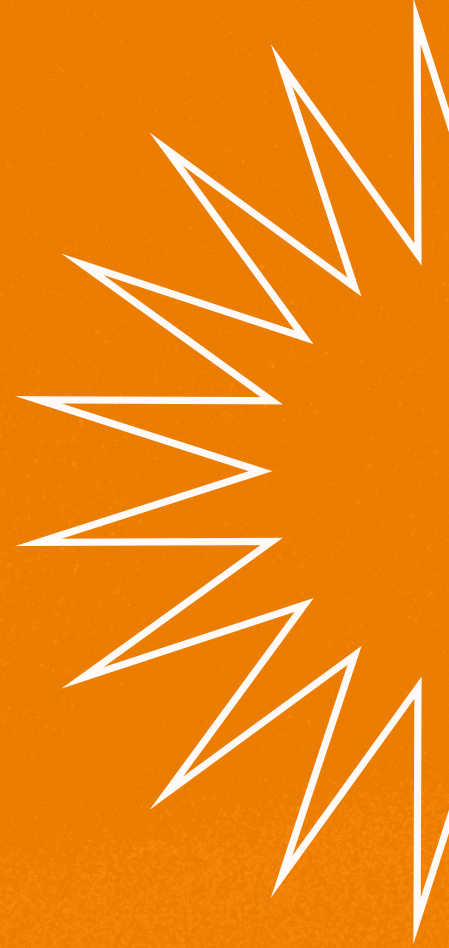








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# Let's Stay in Touch!



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We look forward to updating you on our upcoming events and outreach initiatives. We appreciate the support and resources you have provided this organization and hope to continue to introduce new methods for inspiring, educating and uplifting our growing family of Expanded Horizons kids.

For more information on our upcoming events or a recap of one of our past events, check out our social media. We are excited to announce our new plans for an official Expanded Horizons book mobile and more!