

Cover Photo: Dania Inner Photo: Galay Josephine Herrick, Founder



## Josephine Herrick Project

The Josephine Herrick Project is a 77-year old non-profit service organization that works with a range of local and national partners, including regional, city and community based organizations, schools, libraries, hospitals and social service agencies to provide free photography programs to vulnerable, under-represented and marginalized populations led by professional photographers.

For our students, the camera is a transformative tool for self-expression, community exploration and confidence building. They engage with the world through photography, tell their stories, and culminate their experience in the creation of photography books and exhibits.

The Josephine Herrick Project is the proud winner of the Lucie Humanitarian Award 2017.

## Step-Up Photovoice

Step-Up is a youth development and mental health support program funded by the Robin Hood Foundation and New York City Department of Education (NYC DOE) that aims to promote social-emotional development, key life skills, academic achievement, high school graduation, and a positive transition to young adulthood. Step-Up is embedded within seven NYC DOE schools located in East Harlem, the Bronx and East New York.

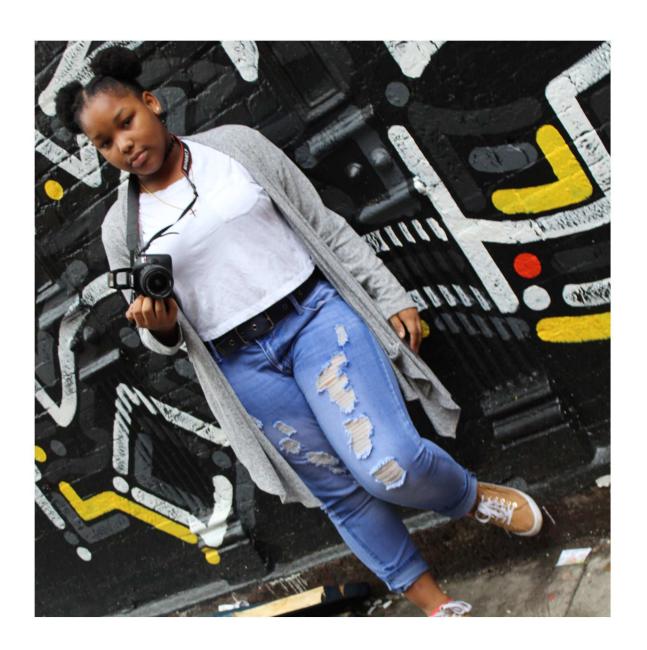
Step-Up was designed for youth experiencing significant environmental, academic, social and emotional challenges.

Step-Up is a multi-component, youth informed program that offers in-school life skills groups, one-on-one mentoring, mental health supports, structured opportunities for community service, and leadership development

Over the past nine years, Step-Up has worked in partnership with youth, parents, and staff of eight high schools. The program has served over 450 students, 56% Latino and 37% African American, and achieved a graduation rate of 84%, among many other positive educational and mental health outcomes.

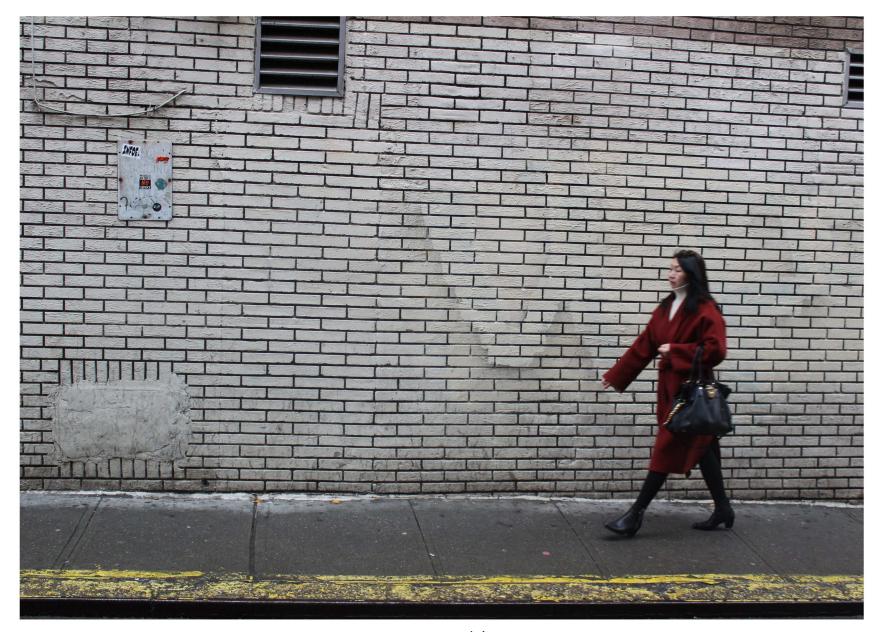
For the last five years for Step-Up Photo Voice, the Josephine Herrick Project has customized a three day workshop, during which teaching artists work intensively with students.

Right: Dania

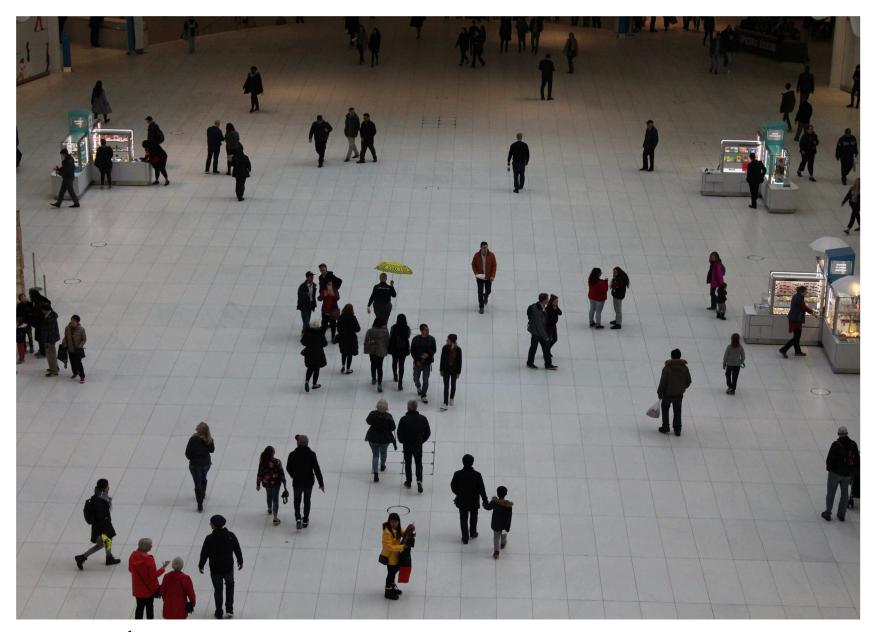




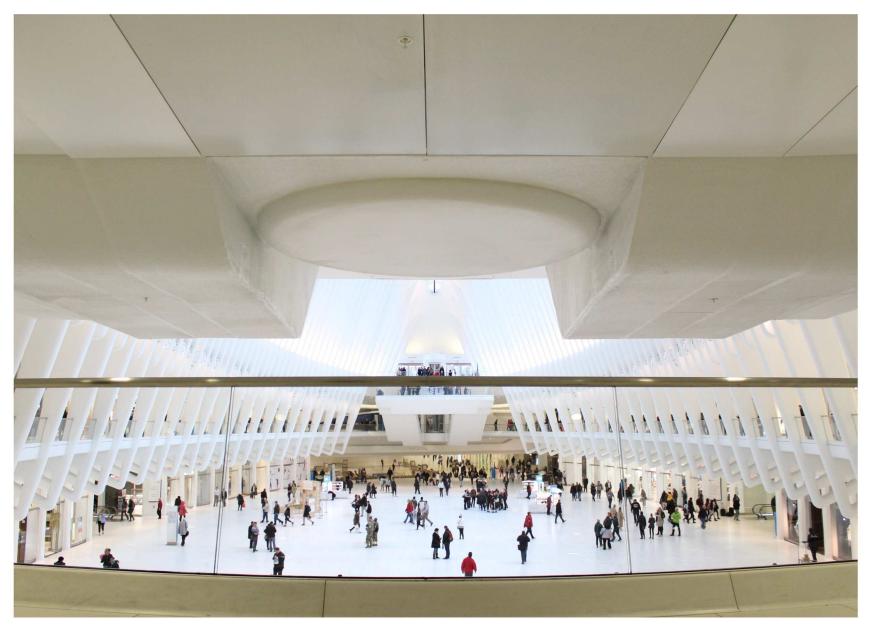
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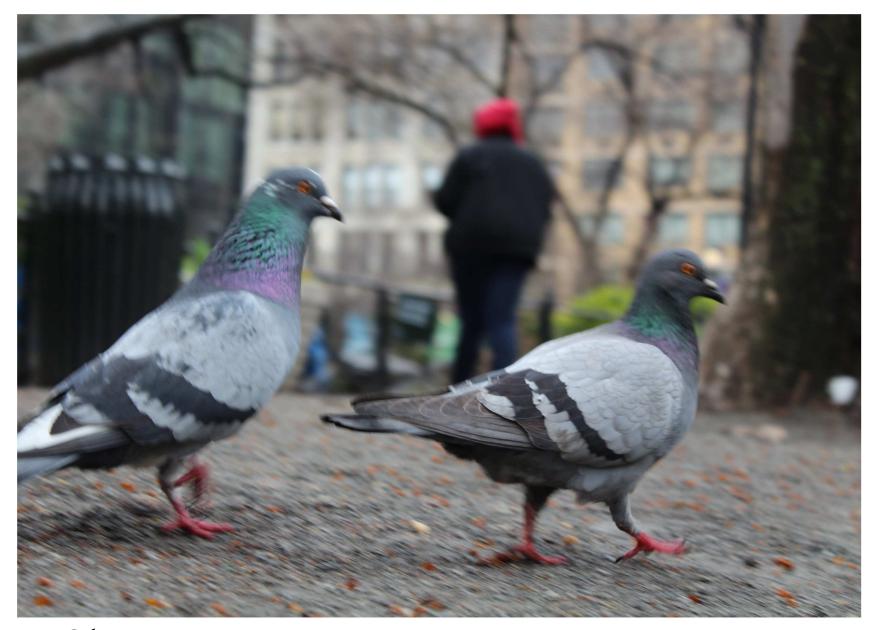
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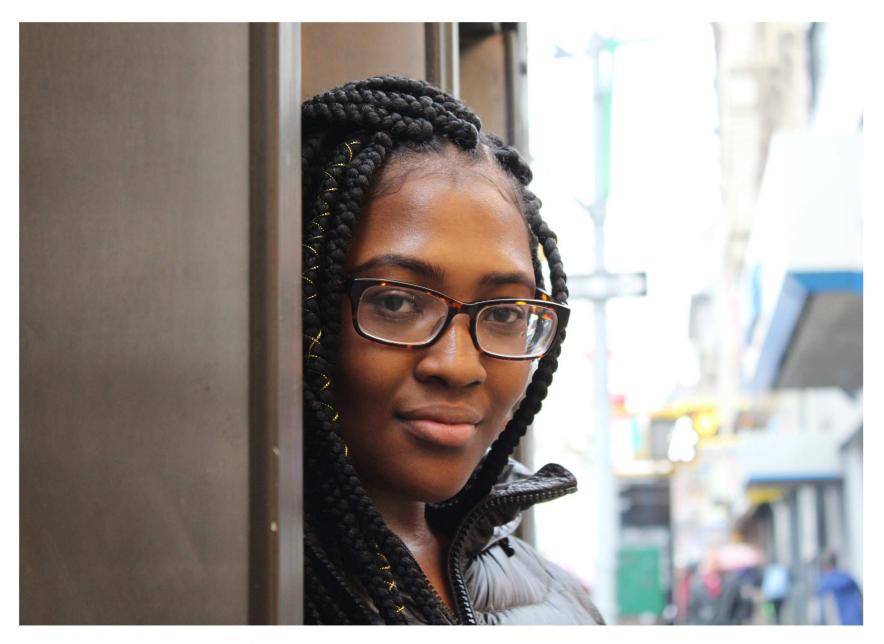
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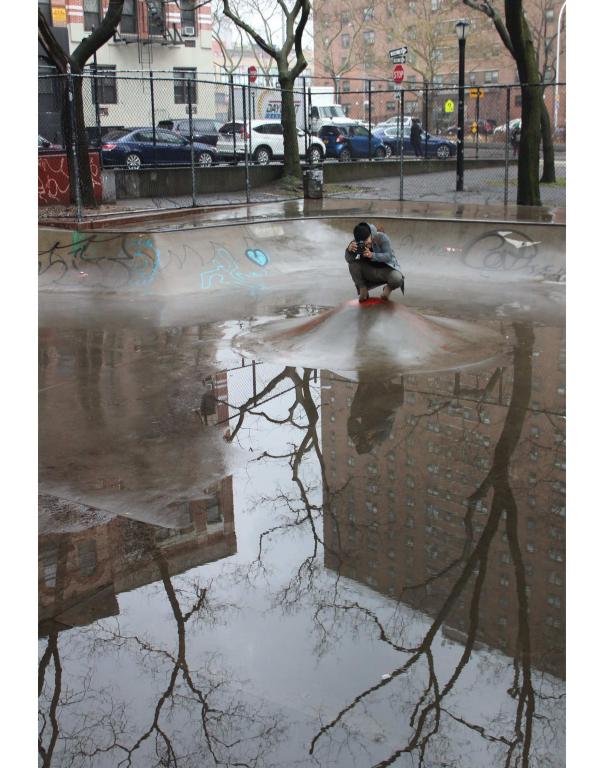
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Tyreek ( left ) Towanna (right)





Shantaa (left) Kevin (right)





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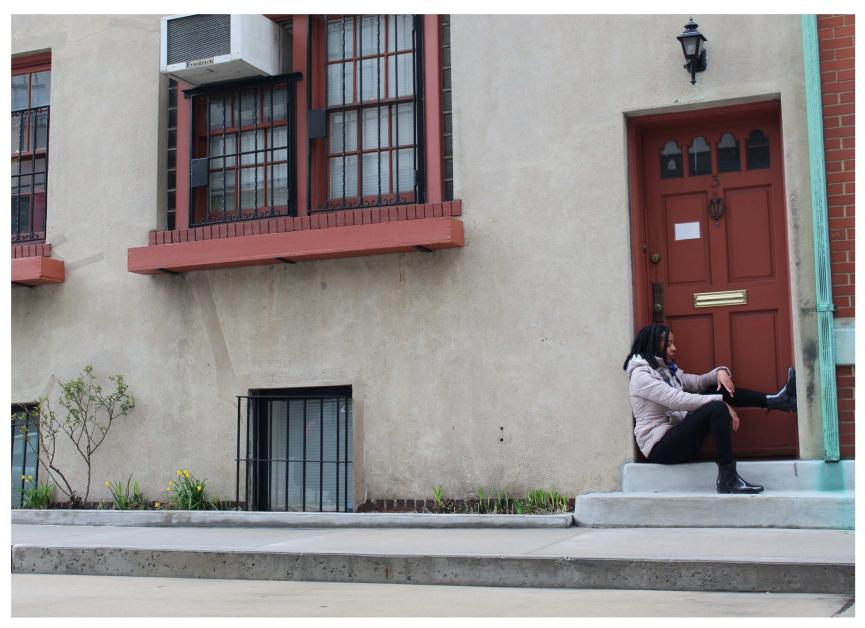
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John Carlos



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Towanna (left) Kevin (right)



Gabriela



Jade



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Kevin



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