

Spectrum Sessions
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Burney-Harris-Lyons Middle School

Spectrum Sessions at BHL have been designed to offer a variety of academic and cultural enriching opportunities in the Athens-Clarke County community to BHL Spectrum students. These sessions are a wonderful opportunity for students to share their experiences as middle schoolers and strengthen their sense of community.

Spectrum Sessions will meet 2-3 times a quarter (9 weeks) throughout the school year. Some of our meetings will be during the school day and others will be after school. Spectrum students are encouraged to attend as many sessions as possible. In addition to attending each meeting, we strongly encourage all Spectrum students to participate in an academic competition during the school year and experience at least one Cultural Event each quarter.

During Spectrum Sessions we will share our experiences from the Cultural Events, take part in a number team building projects, and plan future activities, including our end of the year celebration for Spectrum Students with a good attendance record, good behavior, and a satisfactory completion of the Spectrum Session expectations.

Within this document you will find information about academic competitions, clubs, and cultural events in the area. We will send home an updated list of opportunities every Spectrum Session. Additionally, all of the information is posted (and updated) on the Spectrum wikispace:
<http://bhlspectrum.wikispaces.com>



Get Involved at BHL

Academic Competitions:

- Science Fair Competition
- Social Studies Fair Competition
- National History Day
- Academic Bowl Team
- The National Geographic Bee
- Spelling Bee
- Battle of the Books
- Young Georgia Authors
- Optimist Oratorical Competition
- Duke Talent Search
- Math Counts
- Math League
- Essay & Poetry Contests
- FBLA Competitions
- FCCLA Competitions

Clubs / Organizations:

- Junior Beta Club
- Newspaper Staff
- Literary Magazine
- WBHL Video News
- Year Book Staff
- Garden Club
- Harry Potter Book Club
- Relay for Life Team
- FBLA
- FCCLA
- Peer Mediation
- BHL Ambassadors
- Band / Chorus / Orchestra
- Jazz Band
- 4-H Club

Spectrum Saturdays

Each quarter Mrs. DeSignore and Mr. Thompson will sponsor a Spectrum meet-up at one of the Cultural Events. This is a great way to complete your Cultural Event expectation for the quarter and spend time with other Spectrum students outside of school.

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**Explore Local Culture and Nature
(Year Around Opportunities)**

Athens

Georgia Museum of Art

90 Carlton St.

<http://www.uga.edu/gamuseum/>

Lyndon House Arts Center

293 Hoyt St.

<http://www.accleisureservices.com/lyndon.shtml>

UGA Performing Arts Center

230 River Rd.

<http://www.uga.edu/pac/mastercalendar.html>

State Botanical Garden of Georgia

2450 South Millledge Ave.

<http://www.uga.edu/~botgarden/>

Sandy Creek Nature Center

205 Old Commerce Rd.

<http://www.sandycreeknaturecenter.com/>

Elsewhere in Georgia

High Museum of Art

1280 Peachtree St. NE

Atlanta, GA 30309

<http://www.high.org/>

Center for Puppetry Art

1404 Spring St. NW

Atlanta, GA 30309

<http://www.puppet.org/>

Fernbank Museum of Natural History

767 Clifton Rd.

Atlanta, GA 30307

<http://www.fernbankmuseum.org/>

Cultural Event Opportunities

Don't forget to record (choose your format!) your observations, reactions, and reflections to share at an upcoming Spectrum Session.

Fernbank Science Center

156 Heaton Park Dr.

Atlanta, GA 30307

<http://fsc.fernbank.edu/>

Georgia Aquarium

225 Baker St.

Atlanta, GA 30313

<http://www.georgiaaquarium.org/>

Alpine Village of Helen

White County, GA

<http://www.helenga.org/>

Tallulah Gorge State Park

338 Jane Hurt Yarn Dr

Tallulah Falls, GA 30573

<http://www.gastateparks.org/info/tallulah/>

Local Events in the Community

Sept. & Oct. Opportunities

(no charge unless otherwise indicated)

Smithsonian Traveling Exhibition - "Transitions:

Photographs by Robert Creamer"

State Botanical Garden of Georgia

August 3, 2008 - October 6, 2008

Family Day: Symbols of Mexico

Georgia Museum of Art

Saturday - September 20, 2008

Performance: "The Line in the Sand,"

by Athens Theater Group La Compania

Town and Gown Theater, 115 Grady Ave. – Athens, GA

Sunday – September 21, 2008 @ 4:00pm

Rastrelli Cello Quartet

at UGA Performing Arts Center

Hugh Hodgson School of Music – Athens, GA

September 28, 2008

Guided Tour:

UGA's Latin American Ethnobotanical Garden

Corner of Baldwin Street & Thomas Street,

UGA Campus – Athens, GA

Saturday - October 4th, 2008 @ 10:00am

Exhibition: From the Collection:

The Authority of the Mexican Muralists

GA Museum of Art – Athens, GA

October 11, 2008

Nature's Elegance - Art Exhibit

State Botanical Garden of Georgia – Athens, GA

October 12-October 19, 2008

EcoFocus Film Festival (\$)

Ciné Theater – 234 W. Hancock Ave – Athens, GA