



The GRACE Foundation is committed to support, educate and enhance the quality of life for children/adults and their families living with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD).

*The GRACE Foundation
460 Brielle Avenue
Staten Island, New York 10314*

WINTER WONDERLAND Edition

November 25th – December 23rd

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The GRACE Foundation provides innovative and progressive programs and services for individuals impacted by Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). Each and every day we pride ourselves on embracing the incredible capabilities and talents of our participants. Whether GRACE is encouraging responsible choices, artistic talent, life skills, physical/team activities, or promoting heightened social abilities and communication skills, we strive to impart self-esteem, opportunity and dignity in all that we offer. Additionally, GRACE continuously supports the community by performing at nearby nursing homes, adopting families in need, and performing at many events/venues including St. George Theater, Snug Harbor, and Staten Island Yankee stadium. Throughout the years, GRACE has become a family. All of our participants and their loved ones look forward to experiencing the warm and empowering ethic and supportive belief system GRACE provides. It is our sincerest goal to seek every positive avenue so that we can continue to make all things possible for those we proudly serve.

PROGRAM SUMMARY

Social Skills Program: Comprised of individualized programs, GRACE Social Skills utilizes the most current research and best practices to teach social skills through the use of positive reinforcement and practice, during both parallel and group activities:

<u>Program Day/Months</u>	<u>Program Time</u>	<u>Program Location</u>
Sunday; Sept-July	9:30AM – 10:30AM 10:30AM – 11:30AM 11:30AM – 12:30PM	All Social Skills classes take place at The GRACE Foundation, 460 Brielle Ave.
Monday; Sept-July	4:30PM - 5:30PM	
Tuesday; Sept-July	4:30PM – 5:30PM 5:30PM – 6:30PM 6:30PM – 7:30PM	
Wednesday, Sept.-July	6:30PM – 7:30PM	
Thursday; Sept-July	4:30PM – 5:30PM 5:30PM – 6:30PM 6:30PM – 7:30PM	

Please call Program Director, Julie Gottesman at 718-983-3800 ext.207 or email jgottesman@graceofny.org for more program information and registration forms



SAVE THE DATE

“DISCO NIGHT”



THE GRACE FOUNDATION ANNUAL GALA

Honoring:
Joe Quattrocchi - Honoree of the Year
Angela Conte – Community Service Recipient

SATURDAY, APRIL 14, 2018
 The Excelsior Grand
 2380 Hylan Blvd.
 Staten Island, NY



* Please call PR Coordinator, Cathy Del Priore at 718-983-3800 ext. 223 or e-mail cdelpriore@graceofny.org for more information on The GRACE Gala.





UPCOMING EVENTS

➤ **The GRACE Shoe Drive** – Donate your gently worn shoes through the end of January.

- Place your shoes in clear plastic bags (pairs tied with rubber bands) and drop off at The GRACE Foundation office at 460 Brielle Ave.

➤ **The GRACE “Fashion Runway” Valentine’s Dance** – Enjoy our participants as they model affordable and stylish fashions down the runway!

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2018

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697 Forest Ave

Staten Island, NY

5:00-8:00 PM

Buffet Dinner & Dessert

\$55 per adult

\$30 per child: 12 and under

➤ **Specialty Mega Raffle** – Support The GRACE Foundation – Limited raffle tickets available – Only 300 tickets available. Call The GRACE Office to purchase tickets. Winner will be announced on February 11, 2018 at: **The GRACE “Fashion Runway” Valentine’s Dance**

Grand Prize: \$10,000

2nd Prize: \$3,000

3rd Prize: \$2,000

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Music & Movement Program: This program helps participants to learn both dance moves and musical instruments in a social setting, making for a comfortable and creative environment in order to foster the exploration of musical sounds and rhythms.

<u>Program Day/Months</u>	<u>Program Time</u>	<u>Program Location</u>
Tuesday; Oct-May	4:30PM-5:30PM 5:30PM-6:30PM 6:30PM-7:30PM	All Music & Movement classes take place at The GRACE Foundation, 460 Brielle Ave.
Thursday; Oct-May	4:30PM-5:30PM	
Friday; Oct-May	4:30PM-5:30PM	

Art Program: Art allows individuals with ASD to communicate their thoughts and feelings, which they may otherwise struggle to express.

- Art & Artists presents a different artists each week, allowing participants to create their own interpretation of specific artistic genres. Participants will be able to learn about an artist while exploring and discovering their own talents.
- Sensory Art & Discovery is an innovative program that addresses the sensory needs of each participant through creative art. Participants will be allowed to explore and discover their interests while being encouraged to use various mediums, textures, and objects to create, using music as inspiration.

<u>Program Name</u>	<u>Program Day/Months</u>	<u>Program Time</u>	<u>Program Location</u>
Sensory Art & Discovery	Thursday; Oct-May	4:30PM-5:30PM 5:30PM-6:30PM	All Art classes take place at The GRACE Foundation 460 Brielle Ave.
Art & Artists	Thursday; Oct-May	5:30PM-6:30PM 6:30PM-7:30PM	



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Performing Arts Program: These programs address and enhance the creative abilities of our participants, while also encouraging the improvement of social skills in a productive group setting using music, movement, lyrics, dialogue, and interactive role play as motivation.

<u>Program Name</u>	<u>Program Day/Months</u>	<u>Program Time</u>	<u>Program Location</u>
GRACE-Ful Glee	Monday; Aug-May	6:00PM-7:30PM	All Performing Arts classes take place at The GRACE Foundation, 460 Brielle Ave.
Acting	Monday; Oct-May	7:30PM-8:30PM	
Pee-Wee Glee	Wednesday; Oct-May	4:30PM-5:30PM	
Junior Glee	Wednesday; Oct-May	5:30PM-6:30PM	
Dance	Wednesday; Oct-May	6:30PM-7:30PM	

Teen/Young Adult Programs: Club LIFE and Club LIFE Too! are designed to encourage decision making, socialization, creativity, and friendship building skills in teens and young adults. Your Choice focused on health and wellness, creative art design, and hands-on food creations.

<u>Program Name</u>	<u>Program Day/Months</u>	<u>Program Time</u>	<u>Program Location</u>
Club LIFE	Friday; Oct-May	6:00PM-9:00PM	The GRACE Foundation 460 Brielle Ave. + Trips
Club LIFE Too!	Friday; Oct-May	6:00PM-9:00PM	The GRACE Foundation 460 Brielle Ave. + Trips
Your Choice	Saturday; Oct-May	10:00AM-1:00PM	The GRACE Foundation 460 Brielle Ave.

Day Habilitation Without Walls Program: The GRACE Foundation has ventured into new territory and developed an innovative program that fully respects the concept of person-centered planning. Day Habilitation without walls encourages the dignity and proactive self-direction that motivates participants to explore and discover the world around them while embracing greater knowledge about themselves.

On site/Off site. Monday- Friday 9:00AM-2:00PM

Please call DayHab Coordinator, Sandra Ortiz at 718-983-3800 (Monday or Friday) or email sortiz@graceofny.org for more DayHab information

Site-Based Programs: GRACE's Site-Based programs emphasize making choices in order to encourage independence, self-esteem, physical activities, and teamwork. Centered on Sensory, specifically, is designed to address the sensory needs of participants through the building of organizational skills, focus, body awareness, and the ability to better self-regulate.

<u>Program Name</u>	<u>Program Day/Months</u>	<u>Program Time</u>	<u>Program Location</u>
Swim	Saturday; Oct-May	2:30PM-3:30PM	Elizabeth Connelly Center Therapeutic Pool 930 Willowbrook Rd.
Gym	Saturday; Oct-May	9:15AM-11:15AM 11:30AM-1:30PM	P.S.55; 54 Osbourne St.
Gym	Saturday; Oct-June	9:15AM-11:15AM 11:30AM-1:30PM	P.S.69; 144 Keating Pl.
Baseball	Sunday; April-Oct	11:00AM-1:00PM	Great Kills Little League 245 Greaves Ave.
Bowling	Sunday; Oct-May	10:00AM-11:30AM	Rabs Country Bowling 1600 Hylan Blvd.
Centered on Sensory	Sunday; Oct-May	12:30PM-1:30PM	The GRACE Foundation 460 Brielle Ave.

Summer Programs:

Summer Stock: This innovative program is geared to embrace all aspects of producing a show, including: script writing, acting, dancing, singing, and set/costume design. (Schedule to be determined/June- July)

Art History: Participants will spend quality time together, while learning about their country's history and past interaction with the world through artistic expression. Creative ideas will be shared through the encouragement of discussion between participants. Field trips will be facilitated at various historic sites on Staten Island. (Schedule to be determined/June-July)

Additional Services:

In Home Respite- In-Home Respite provides one-on-one instruction directed at the enhancement of daily living skills, while offering support and relief to primary caregivers. Please call Julie Gottesman at 718-983-3800 ext. 207

***Medicaid Service Coordination:** Please call the MSC Department 718-983-3800.

