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COMMUNITY UPDATES

Apply Now to Join the 14th Cohort of the A'Leia Bundles Community Scholars Program

The application to join the 14th cohort of A'Leia Bundles Community Scholars at Columbia University is now open!

Rooted in education and empowerment, the initiative—named after award-winning journalist and author A'Leia Bundles (JRN'76)—brings together Upper Manhattan-based changemakers for knowledge sharing and opportunities to explore how Columbia's many resources can elevate their local projects.

Bundles Scholars receive a three-year

affiliation with Columbia and access to campus resources while they work independently on a project or skill that relates to or benefits their community.

Bundles Scholars join an intellectual community with other program participants and have opportunities to connect with life and learning across the University.

Read a full guide on how to apply, now through April 17, 2026, at neighbors.columbia.edu/bundles26

Low-Cost Summer Programs for Youth at Columbia

Though summer still feels far away in these cold months, now is the time to get ahead on the summer program application season.

Columbia Neighbors has compiled a list of free and no-cost summer programs available here at Columbia University and throughout Upper Manhattan to help students and families prepare for application season.

The list includes opportunities for a wide range of interests, ages, and goals. It spans free or low-cost research and engineering programs for high schoolers, civic leadership and college-prep seminars, outdoor science and field research, virtual coding and science enrichment, creative arts and community summer camps, and paid



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internships—so youth can find something from academic exploration to hands-on experiential learning to active, social summer experiences.

Read the full list at neighbors.columbia.edu/summer-programs

COMMUNITY EVENTS



Bundles Scholar Lecture: Ray Tebout
March 19, 6:00 p.m.

This event at the Bollinger Forum explores Vision-to-Value, a learning approach that provides clear, practical tools that build entrepreneurial thinking while people are working.
neighbors.columbia.edu/vision



2026 State of New York Women in Business
March 11,
8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Head to the Bollinger Forum for a bold convening of women entrepreneurs, executives, policymakers, and global leaders coming together to demand and design a fair, inclusive New York Women Entrepreneurs' Agenda.
neighbors.columbia.edu/nywib

Stories of the World
March 19, 5:00-6:30 p.m.

Join Harlem Community School District 5 for the annual Harlem Community School Black Studies Showcase, a celebration of student learning, creativity, and leadership rooted in Black studies.
neighbors.columbia.edu/hcsd5

Crafts on the Corner: Sketch Sessions
March 25, 12:00-1:00 p.m.

Take a break in your day to tap into your creativity and explore different observational drawing techniques on the Manhattanville campus.
neighbors.columbia.edu/sketch