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## USDAN SUMMER CAMP FOR THE ARTS LAUNCHES “UNIQUELY U” — ITS FIRST-EVER SCHOLARSHIP SEARCH—IN TIME FOR ITS 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

Young Artists Invited to Submit Work For Chance at Full Scholarship to  
Usdan’s 50<sup>th</sup> Summer Season

NEW YORK, NY (February 12, 2018) -- Usdan Summer Camp for the Arts, the critically acclaimed summer day camp for the arts celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in summer 2018, today announced the launch of their first-ever scholarship search, *Uniquely U*. Celebrating creativity and self-expression, the search asks artists ages 7 through 18 and in grades 2 through 12, from across New York City, Westchester, and Long Island, to submit samples of their work in creative writing; or visual and performing arts to be considered for a full scholarship to the beloved day camp this summer.

Applications and search parameters are outlined on [UU.Usdan.org](http://UU.Usdan.org). The deadline is midnight on March 12<sup>th</sup>. Up to 10 young artists will receive full seven-week scholarships to Usdan for the Summer 2018 season, including tuition and transportation from across New York City, Long Island or southern Westchester.

“In honor of our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary – and inspired by this commitment to supporting creativity and arts education for young people across New York and Long Island, we’re thrilled to launch ‘Uniquely U,’” says Lauren Brandt Schloss, Executive Director of Usdan Summer Camp for the Arts. “We want kids to share with us their unique perspectives and voices with regard to art, creation, and connection.”

### **About Usdan Summer Camp for the Arts**

Celebrating its 50th anniversary in 2018, Usdan Summer Camp for the Arts ([usdan.org](http://usdan.org)) is the nation’s preeminent not-for-profit day camp for the arts and has been named a “Best Of” camp by *TimeOutNY/Kids*, and by *NY Metro Parents*. Diverse and playfully rigorous from the start, Usdan brings world-class teachers and visiting artists – actors, directors, playwrights, painters, sculptors, musicians, composers, dancers, poets and novelists – to teach and collaborate with Usdan campers ages 4 to 18. Usdan ignites each child’s artistic spirit in a fun, welcoming environment. We believe art making is brave making, friend making, freedom making and future making.

Usdan is an agency of the UJA-Federation of New York. All programs will take place at the camp’s magnificent 140-acre woodland campus, located at 185 Colonial Springs Road in Wheatley Heights, NY 11798.

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