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SCHEDULE OF AGENCY VISITS
Spring 2019

Arts of Life

1963 Johns Drive
Glenview IL 60025
847.486.0808
Hilary Marshall
www.artsoflife.org

Monday, February 4th, 2019 at 10:00am

[Register for this Tour!](#)

Arts of Life currently serves over 60 artists with intellectual and developmental disabilities at two studio locations. The North Shore studio is located in the Chicago suburb of Glenview and our Chicago studio is located in the West Town neighborhood. Each studio has unique exhibition spaces with year-round programming featuring guest curators and artists.

GADOL program at Keshet

8180 McCormick Blvd
Skokie, IL 60076
<https://keshet.org/adult-programs/>

Tuesday, February 26, 2019 at 10:00 am

[Register for this tour!](#)

GADOL is designed to bridge the gap existing in community-based programs serving young adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Keshet offers state-of-the-art programming and vocational opportunities under the leadership of a supportive staff of directors and specialists, all trained to enable adults with developmental disabilities to reach their full potential.

Glenkirk: Next Generation Services

942 Harlem Ave,
Glenview, IL 60025
(847) 730-3976

Thursday, March 14, 2019 at 10:00 am

[Register for this tour!](#)

<https://glenkirk.org/get-services/next-generation-services>

Next Generation is a community based program for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. An alternative to traditional workshops, Next Generation provides opportunities for community integration & social connection. Next Generation promotes volunteerism, arts and culture, education, internet literacy, health, fitness and active lifestyles. Next Generation provides a stimulating, enjoyable environment for individuals with a variety of abilities, interests and age ranges.

Clearbrook Autism Program (Cap)

444 Northwest Highway
Park Ridge, IL 60068
(847) 385-5328
<https://www.clearbrook.org/cap/>

Friday, April 12, 2019 10:00 am

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CAP was created in 2009 to address the needs of adults that are on the autism spectrum. Our CAP Program is offered in two locations: Palatine and Park Ridge. The day program provides a highly structured schedule with opportunities for community-based employment experiences and recreational activities.

Edgewood College-Cutting Edge Program Friday May 10, 2019 at 10:00 am

1000 Edgewood College Drive
Madison, WI 53711
(608) 663-2332

[Register for this tour!](#)

<https://www.edgewood.edu/cutting-edge>

The Cutting Edge Program at Edgewood College was piloted in 2007. It was the first program at a four-year college in Wisconsin to offer a fully inclusive college experience for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Since its inception, the program has continued to grow and offers individualized wrap-around services to support students in academics, student housing, social experiences, and practicums/internships. We currently support 20 students per academic year. Due to the success of the program and overwhelming support, we have now expanded and are offering two additional programs: Pre-College and Alumni Program. As part of Edgewood College's Dominican tradition, students learn the values of justice, compassion, truth, community, and partnership. Through these values, students are given the opportunity to experience civic engagement both on campus and in the Madison community.

Misericordia University: ALL Program Transition Services

6300 North Ridge,
Chicago IL 60660
(773) 973-6300

Thursday, May 23, 2019 at 10:00 am

[Register for this tour!](#)

<https://www.misericordia.com/>

Misericordia offers a community of care that maximizes potential for persons with mild to profound developmental disabilities, many of whom are also physically challenged. By serving society's most vulnerable citizens, Misericordia also serves the families who want the best for them, yet cannot provide it at home.

COLLEGE TOURS

College Preview days that are preset by the college (sign up on college websites):

- **Harper College**
 - https://www.harpercollege.edu/start/information_sessions.php
 - **Transition Autism Program (Project TAP)**
<https://www.harpercollege.edu/services/ads/tap.php>

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- **ACES Program**
Supports students with learning disabilities (LD) and/or ADHD
<https://www.harpercollege.edu/services/ads/programs.php>
- **Career Skills Institute**
Provides students with mild intellectual disabilities a college campus experience which seeks to assess and strengthen basic academic and employability skills.

For more information contact: Linda M. Hoeck, Program Coordinator, Students with Intellectual Disabilities. 847.925.6000 ext 2076 lhoeck@harpercollege.edu

- **CLC Personal Success Program** - Campus tours given 2 times a week see link for details Call (847) 543-2615.
 - <http://www.clcillinois.edu/admission/events>
- **Cutting Edge Program** at Edgewood College (WI)
Sneak Peek Saturdays: Sept 8, October 6 and November 3
 - <https://edgewood.edu/admissions/visit>To schedule a personal visit: Call (608) 663-2294, email admissions@edgewood.edu
- **ELSA program** at Elmhurst College
September 21, October 19, and November 30 at 10:30
 - https://connect.elmhurst.edu/portal/preview_days
- **P.A.C.E.** program at National Louis University
 - <https://www.nl.edu/paceatnlu/admissions/tours/>
- **RISE program** at Judson College
October 1, November 16 and January 14.
 - http://www.judsonu.edu/RISE/RISE_Preview_Days

Previous Tours held:

Reach

Center for Enriched Living
280 Saunders Road
Riverwoods, IL 60015
847.948.7001
Michael Welsh
www.centerforenrichedliving.org

Monday, September 17th 10:00 am

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REACH: The program focuses on young adults 22 years of age and older, who want to learn new skills, connect in the community, grow individually, achieve personal success and thrive! With an emphasis on community, REACH members spend approximately 70% of their time out in the community.

Cutting Edge Program at Edgewood College Monday, September 24, 10:30 -12:15

1000 Edgewood College Drive
Madison, WI 5371
608.663.2340

[Register for this Tour!](#)

<https://www.edgewood.edu/admissions/cutting-edge-program>

The Cutting Edge is an individualized approach to education and inclusion in college for students with intellectual developmental disabilities. These are individuals who have either traditionally not been able to meet the standard admissions criteria for college, or require additional supports in order to be successful in college. Edgewood College is the first four-year college in Wisconsin to offer such a program to students who have intellectual developmental disabilities. From 2007-2017, the Cutting Edge program has supported over 60 students with the opportunity to attend college by attending required/undergraduate courses, practicums and internships, student housing, and learning with a peer mentors by engaging in student-life events, as well as pursuing community service.

Lamb's Farm

Friday, October 12th at 10:00 am-12:00 pm

The tour takes about 2 hours and there is a lot of walking!

14245 W. Rockland Road
Libertyville, IL 60048
847.990.3780

[Register for this Tour!](#)

Marie Nelson; Director, Vocational Programs Lambs Farm
www.lambsfarm.org

Lamb's Farm provides vocational and residential services for adults with disabilities. It is located on a 72-acre campus including several family attractions (farm, petty zoo, restaurant, mini golf, pet shop, thrift shop, country store and bakery).

NWSRA: Pursuit

Friday, October 19th at 10:00am

1000 W. Central Road
Mt. Prospect, IL 60056
847-392-2848, ext. 227
Liz Thomas

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www.nwsra.org/pursuit

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The Pursuit Program is an NSWRA program affiliated with Clearbrook. The program offers a recreational day for adults with disabilities.

ELA at Center for Enriched Living Friday, November 2nd at 10:00am

Center for Enriched Living

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280 Saunders Road

Riverwoods, IL 60015

847.948.7001

Becca Zajler

www.centerforenrichedliving.org

ELA: A collaborative effort between the Center for Enriched Living (CEL) and Northern Suburban Special Recreation Association (NSSRA). This partnership brings over 35 years of experience to serving people with developmental disabilities. Core program areas include: independent living and continuing education, communication and socialization, recreation and leisure, and community integration.

Our Place of New Trier Township Thursday, November 29th at 10:00am

Cindy O'Donnell

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1020 Forest Avenue

Wilmette, IL 60091

847-512-4661

www.ourplaceofnewtrier.org

The mission of Our Place is to support teens and adults with developmental disabilities so that they can live meaningful, productive, socially connected lives in their home community. Staff support students in the areas of social, leisure and employment.

Program requirements: Independent toileting and feeding, there are no wheelchair accessible vans, no significant behaviors, must be able to stay in a group.

ACT

Monday, December 10th at 10:00am

Adult Community Transition Program

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1910 1st Street, Suite 2S

Highland Park, IL

847-266-0052

Caren Kaplan

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The ACT program is affiliated with Anixter Center in Chicago. This is a community-based day program that offers job coaching, vocational training, and community experiences.

Have Dreams

2020 Dempster St.
Evanston, IL 60202
847-905-0702 x227

Andrea Johnson

www.havedreams.org

Have Dreams is a Chicago-area nonprofit serving children, teens and young adults impacted by autism. They offer after-school, workplace training and adult day programs, along with diagnostic and family support services. Serving ages 16 months to adulthood. They offer a broad range of programs to serve a full range of individuals on the autism spectrum.

Thursday, January 17th, 2019 10:00am

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