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Citadel Rehab & Nursing Center at Kingsbridge from L-R: Damaris Cuas, Amanda Gonzalez, Desiree Duncan, Bobby Harden and Les Kurtz, performers; Azerine Matthew, Bianca Washington, Brittany Chung, and Rudina Ong, staff members at Citadel.

Unitex Brings Music to Bronx and Brooklyn Seniors with **Inaugural 2018 Summer Concert Series**

Unitex ushered in summer as the sponsor of a new concert series that showcased a trio of

artists performing at six Brooklyn and Bronx nursing home and senior assisted living facilities. The Concert Series was designed as a unique way to bring the healing and community-building power of music to local seniors while exposing them to a diverse range of contemporary styles.

The concert series featured three artists—Athenia Henderson, Bobby Harden, and Larry Siegel. Ms. Henderson is known for her powerful voice and Caribbean style. Bobby Harden has thrilled audiences across the planet as lead singer of the world-famous Original Blues Brothers Band showing what it truly means to be a soul man. Larry Seigel has been a featured instrumentalist for many well-known artists, including Dolly Parton, Lucie Arnaz, and John Phillips of the Mamas and the Papas. Each brought their unique musical style and on-stage personas to the delight of audiences at six facilities.

The series included performances at The Phoenix Rehabilitation & Health Care Center (Brooklyn), Kings Harbor MultiCare Center (Bronx), St. Patrick's Home (Bronx), Kingsbridge Heights Rehabilitation & Care Center (Bronx), The Plaza Rehab and Nursing Center (Bronx), and Providence Rest and Nursing Home (Bronx), during the month of June.

"It is so great that a company like Unitex gives back in such a meaningful way," stated Carolyn Perito, Director Therapeutic Recreation and Volunteer Services at Kings Harbor MultiCare Center, Bronx, NY. "Music adds to the health and well-being of our residents and they very much enjoyed Bobby Harden's concert. Our residents are still talking about the event!"

"Over 80 residents, staff, and family members attended the concert Unitex sponsored and everyone had wonderful things to say about Athenia's performance. It was such a great afternoon for our residents and their families to enjoy together. Thank you so much," wrote Michelle Luchetti, Director of Therapeutic Recreation at Providence Rest and Nursing Home, Bronx, New York.

"Our goal in creating the Unitex 2018 Summer Concert Series was to expand access to the arts for the residents of local senior living facilities," said **Seth Gershman**, Marketing & Communications Director of Unitex. "Music is a great healing tool, while also bringing joy and building community. I attended most of the shows and thoroughly enjoyed the performances and witnessing how they enlivened the resident's day as well as the staff's. They were a great success and we plan to expand our series to more facilities throughout the metro area year-round."

View video recap here >

Referral Program Update



below for details.

Congrats to **Moh Koh Paw (Ledyard)**! She was the 2nd quarter winner of a \$100 Amazon gift card for sending Unitex a referral. All employees who submit a referral, whether put through the recruiting process or not, will be entered in a quarterly drawing for a \$100 Amazon gift card. It's that easy! See

Unitex is Looking for Prospective Employee Referrals Earn a Referral Bonus Up to a \$1,000

Unitex is on the lookout for qualified and reliable talent and we are asking for your help. Research shows that new hires entering a company through employee referrals are dedicated contributors who stay with the company long-term. They hear great things about Unitex from our current employees and have a better understanding of our culture before applying. If you know someone who would be a good addition to the Unitex team and they meet the qualifications for an existing open position, you will be awarded a referral bonus if they are hired and reach their 6-month anniversary.

Bonus Amounts:

\$500 for Full-Time Administrative Assistants/Office Clerks \$1,000 for all other Management Employees

How to participate: All employees are eligible to participate in the giveaway except for senior management (General Managers and above). This includes union employees who wish to refer a management level candidate. Refer all candidates to Jenn Ciardullo or Daneen Mancuso by filling out and emailing or faxing the Referral Form. If your referral candidate is hired, you'll receive a bonus on the new hire's 6-month anniversary. Your referral MUST be hired and remain in good standing to receive a bonus.

Email: DMancuso@unitex.com or JCiardullo@unitex.com Tel: 914-840-3206 | Fax: 914-425- 0218

Additional Information:

- Only candidates that meet the requirements of the open position will be put through the recruiting process.
- Forms must be filled out and sent in with a resume or completed application.
- This program is for management employees only. It excludes referrals of current union employees promoted to management positions.
- If more than one employee submits the same person, the first employee to refer the person will be eligible for the reward.
- All employees who submit a referral, whether put through the recruiting process or not, will be entered in a quarterly drawing for a \$100 Amazon gift card.

Unitex Brings Summertime Fun to Kids at Three Local Hospitals

As part of its *Unitex Cares* program, and in celebration of the summer season, Unitex partnered with three local hospitals to bring fun activities and gifts to sick children and their families. The team's first stop was the **Joseph M. Sanzari Children's Hospital** at Hackensack Meridian Health where the kids made fun summertime crafts, played with bubbles and had sweet treats. The team also visited **St. Mary's Hospital for Children** in Bayside, New York. Last but not least, the team arranged a visit to **St. Joseph's Children's Hospital** in Paterson, New Jersey to deliver presents to kids and help make door signs for their rooms.

"On behalf of the Child Life Department at St. Joseph's Children's Hospital, I would like to thank Unitex for their continued support and care of our pediatric patients," said **Tiffany Shevchik, MA, CCLS** Child Life Coordinator | Child Life Department, St. Joseph's Children's Hospital.

"Having our annual Unitex activity is something both the children and staff look forward too," said **Victoria Falcone**, Manager of Strategic Partnerships at St. Mary's Hospital for Children. "Unitex is a wonderful partner and supporter year round and we are so grateful to have them as a part of the St. Mary's Kids family."



Unitex and the Child Life Department at St. Joseph's Children's Hospital in Paterson, New Jersey

Are You Enrolled in the Unitex 401k Retirement Plan?

Top Three Reasons to Join the Unitex 401k Plan:

- **1. It's painless.** Unitex automatically deducts your contributions every time you are paid. You don't need to remind yourself to write a check.
- **2.** You get free money with an employer match. Unitex currently matches 25% of each dollar contributed up to 10% of salary when fully vested for three years. Don't pass up this opportunity to grow your savings faster.
- **3.** You get two tax breaks when you save in a 401k plan. First, your contributions are tax-deductible. The money you contribute doesn't count toward your gross income for the year, lowering your taxable income. **Second**, your money grows tax-deferred. If you saved money in a savings account or brokerage account you would have to pay taxes on your interest or dividends at the end of the year. With a 401k plan, your earnings are rolled back into the plan and don't have to be listed as income on your tax return until you withdraw them.

The Unitex 401k Plan is easy to join and professionally managed by Vanguard. Simply email Colleen Harris at charris@unitex.com or Charlie Vreeland at cvreeland@unitex.com to receive the enrollment form.





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