

August 2019

The Unitex Summer Concert Roster & Schedule is Rocking!

The idea for the concert series was born out of some spontaneous banter about the kind of music we'd enjoy as residents of a nursing home. Having grown up listening to Led Zeppelin, Diana Ross, the Beatles, Stevie Wonder, Fleetwood Mac—the entertainment playlist would definitely have to change to suit our baby boomer tastes! Fast forward to the 2nd season of the Unitex Concert Series—the mission and vision is to compile a roster of high quality musicians performing a variety of contemporary styles and bring them to the residents of nursing homes and assisted living facilities. From Motown to funk, rock, folk, salsa and jazz favorites, the Unitex 2019 Summer Concert Series has been "ROCKING!" Here's a photo recap of concerts completed to date.

1) July 9th-Northwell Health Stern Family Center for Rehab



L-R: Amy Trugman, Recreational Therapist; Arnie Idelson, Recreational Therapist; Athenia Henderson & Devon Atherley (Performers: DNA Music Duo); Myra Tross, Kaitlyn Rentala, Unitex Intern; and Ryley Weber.

2) July 19th Beth Abraham, Bronx



L-R: Sonja Madera, Jackie Ellis, Omar Amparo, Bianca Soto, and Erin Hill (performer)

3) July 22nd Triboro Center for Rehabilitation & Nursing



L-R: Dariana Marte, Recreation Leader; Devon Atherley & Athenia Henderson (performers: DNA Music Duo); Nate Goldman, Administrator, Rose Ferreira, CTRS, Recreation Director; Denise Santiago-Aviles, Recreation Leader; Eileen Alleyne, Recreation Leader

4) August 6th United Hebrew of New Rochelle





L-R: Bobby Harden (performer), Heather Lena, Kyung Bae, Linda Erman-Strober, Shirley Bravo-Garzon, Seth Gershman, Carrie Deppong, Director of Recreation; Senta Perez, Anna Bekavac, Kelsey Gangnath, Nicholas Esposito, and Les Kurtz (performer-keyboardist)

5) August 7th Isabella Geriatric Center



L-R: Cecelia Tenconi (performer); Jessica Garcia, Director of Recreation; and Steysi Liriano, Summer Youth Employee

6) August 9th St. Johnland Nursing Center



L-R: Sheila Christoffersen, Art Therapist; Seth Gershman; Sean Grissom (performer); Carolyn J. O'Brien, MS, CTRS Director of Therapeutic Recreation; Howie Berger, Certified Recreation Therapy Specialist

7) August 12th Regeis Care Center



L-R: Nathalie Mejia, Cecelia Tenconi (performer), Krystal Prince, and Seth Gershman

8) August 13th The New Jewish Home, Sarah Neuman in Westchester



L-R: Lucy Mash, Les Kurtz (performer); Larry Fleming, Carla Fiorentino, Bobby Harden (peformer); Susan Braunwart, Vincent Bonadies, MS, CTRS, Director of Therapeutic Recreation/Volunteers

9) August 14th The Wayne Center for Nursing and Rehab



L-R: Larry Siegel (performer); Seth Gershman, Zem Audu (performer); Delilan Santos, Recreation Director

10) August 16th Ozanam Hall Nursing Home of Queens



L-R: Athenia Henderson & Devon Atherly (performers: DNA Music Duo); Victoria Auriemmo, Director of Creative Activities; Carmela Guarino, Assistant Director; Nancy Guttilla, Secretary

11) August 16th The Grand Pavillion for Rehab & Nursing





L-R: Katie, Zem Audu (performer), Devon, Larry Siegel (performer), Jonathan Romond

The performances have been so well received that we are currently adding more dates and locations. Some of the feedback includes:

"Our staff and residents came alive when Athenia started singing and performing her pop music reportoire. They can certainly move and groove!"

—Arnie Idelson, Northwell Health Stern Family Center for Rehab

"Seeing the joy and involvement of our residents with Bobby was so heartwarming. His outreach and inclusion of them in songs brought tears to my eyes. Bobby brightened not only their day, but all of ours here, together."

—Anna Bekavac, United Hebrew Home

"Erin Hill's harp playing and strong vocals were a crowd pleaser. She was so sweet and beautiful—like a harp playing Joni Mitchell! We couldn't stop talking about her long after the show was over."—Bianca Soto, Beth Abraham

"Sean's renditions of classic, modern and thematic songs on his cello was great and the community loved it! Residents chimed in with song recommendations, and Sean was receptive at taking requests and leading the group with singing and clapping. From 'Ain't No Sunshine When She's Gone', 'America the Beautiful', even the theme song from Game of Thrones — Sean captivated everyone!"—Sheila Christoffersen, St. Johnland Nursing Center

"Our community is predominantly Latin American and when Cecelia launched into her performance, residents literally jumped up to dance—sometimes from their wheelchairs! We so appreciated the opportunity to bring everyone together and share moments of joy like this."—Jessica Garcia, Isabella Geriatric Center



Congratulations to these team members who were recently promoted. Unitex has a track record of helping people apply their skills to become successful in various roles. At Unitex we promise your hard work will not go unnoticed!

Promotions

- James Gaul from Driver > Route Supervisor at 10A; effective 7/1/19
- Kyle Longobardi from Route Supervisor > District Manager at 10A; effective 7/15/19
- Rosmery Santiago from Warehouse Ordering/Receiving Clerk > Production Supervisor at 155; effective 7/15/19
- Martin Mena from Driver > Route Supervisor-10A; effective 7/22/19

We would like to take a moment to welcome our new hires to the Unitex team. You are now part of the Unitex family and we look forward to working with you.

New Hires

Bryant Gonzalez as Route Supervisor-15; effective 7/8/19



Will You Send Stories and Pictures?

We are looking to post good news about babies, engagements, marriages, awards, promotions, parties, volunteer activities, birthdays, and more for the company newsletter. If you have photos and/or stories please send to Seth Gershman at sgershman@unitex.com.

will you help?

Get Social with Us

We plan to post more about what's going on in all of our plant locations and we'd love to connect with you. If you are on any of the social platforms below please follow, like,

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LinkedIn: www.linkedin.com/unitex_3/

YouTube: www.youtube.com/watch?v=JuMel4Bmr_A

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