

## QUICK FACTS

- Settlement Music School's mission is to provide the highest quality instruction in music and the related arts to children and adults, regardless of age, background, ability or economic circumstance.
- Settlement is one of the largest and oldest community schools of the arts in the United States having served more than 300,000 students since its <u>founding in 1908</u>.
- With more than 120 degreed <u>faculty</u> and staff, Settlement is one of the largest employers of musicians in the tri-state area.
- Settlement provides over 10,000 weekly services of <u>individual lessons</u>, <u>classes and</u> <u>activities</u> in music, dance and visual arts to children and adults from every zip code in the eight-county Philadelphia region.
- Settlement's six branches can be found in South and Northeast Philadelphia, Germantown, Wynnefield, Willow Grove, PA and Settlement Music Online.
- Settlement provides a five-day-a-week nationally recognized, <u>arts-centered preschool</u> to children whose test scores for school readiness are three times greater than peers in a non-arts based program.\*
- Settlement's <u>Teacher Training Institute of the Arts</u> (TTIA) offers programs to help other pre-school and elementary school teachers incorporate Settlement's arts-integration strategies into their classrooms.
- Settlement's <u>Advanced Study Program</u> for pre-professional teens, <u>Adult Chamber</u> <u>Players</u>, Daytime Seniors Program and <u>Creative Arts Therapy</u> Program for children and adults with disabilities have served as models for like-minded efforts in other major cities.
- Settlement's generous <u>financial and scholarship assistance</u> of more than \$2 million each year is among the highest of community arts schools across the country.

 Among its notable alumni are a Nobel Laureate, MacArthur Fellows, Pulitzer Prize winners, a Fulbright scholar, Academy, Emmy, Grammy and Tony Award winners, published authors, elected officials and many distinguished performers in all genres of music. Many of these alumni are part of the <u>Settlement 100</u> – a group of 100 diverse and unexpected individuals whose Settlement experience helped shape their lives.

\* Brown, E., Benedett, B, & Armistead, M. (2010). Arts enrichment and school readiness for children at risk. Early Childhood Research Quarterly, 25, 112-124