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**STATE**  
Middletown youth  
visit state Capitol

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More than 50 organizations will speak over four days across the state, all vying for the ear of legislators to push for job creation programs. Gov. Dannel Malloy provided keynote remarks before state and state representatives addressed the crowd of approximately 250.

Donika Freeman and Tai Kyra Greene, both 17, gave remarks about the benefits of youth employment experiences in preparing them for the adult workforce. They received job placement services through Commerce One's Emerald Youth's Summer Youth Employment and Learning Program and are currently enrolled in the Middlesex Youth Career Development Services Program.

**CRENSHAW**  
Arts camp accepting  
enrollment

**ARTS CAMP**—The Young People's Center for Creative Arts is now accepting enrollment for its 2013 summer session to take place at East Hampton High School during the month of July.

YPCA is a nonprofit that offers arts camps designed to bring music to those in need in the central Connecticut area. YPCA will host "Change" this summer. "Change" tells the tale of a woman who finds love, who helps to make it big in showbiz. Auditions will take place at the Old House at 2 North Hill Road on Sunday, July 14. It is not mandatory to audition to participate in the camp—anyone is in the show whether they audition or not. The camp fee will be an amount the first day of camp.

The staff of YPCA is made up of professional actors and teachers from throughout Connecticut.

For more information and a brochure, call (860) 267-2211 or [www.youngpeoplecenter.org](http://www.youngpeoplecenter.org). Additional information about the camp and college preparation is available at [www.youngpeoplecenter.org](http://www.youngpeoplecenter.org).

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