

# Concert Preparation

## The First Concert

- Review the diverse artists the students have encountered so far this fall.
  - Gaida (Syrian music)
  - Celso (Mexican music)
  - Karlie (jazz music)
- Look at SG14 and have students find the countries represented on the map.
- [What do you remember about the artists and their music?](#) Brainstorm a list of responses with the students.
- Listen to a brief excerpt by each of these artists on the Musical Explorers CD.
- [What rhythms have we learned from each of these artists?](#)
- As a class, brainstorm some questions the students could consider during the concert. Have the students try to answer the questions for one another after attending the performance.
- Lead a discussion with students about the roles of performer and audience member (or listener) during a concert. Brainstorm ideas about these roles and document them on chart paper. Have students narrow down the list by voting on their favorite two ideas per role.
- Divide the class in half, with one half acting as performers and the other half acting as audience members for a song from Musical Explorers. Facilitate a reflective discussion with students about how each group did. Invite the groups to share one aspect of what they liked and one thing that could be improved for themselves and the other group. Perform the song again, switching so that the students take on the opposite role. Repeat the reflection.

## Let's Go to Carnegie Hall!

- The Conductor now takes us from each of our artists' neighborhoods to Carnegie Hall in Manhattan, where we will meet and hear our singers, Gaida, Celso, and Karlie. Have students turn to SG15 and help them do the following:
  - Find Gaida in Morningside Heights, Manhattan; Celso in East Harlem, Manhattan; and Karlie in Grymes Hill, Staten Island.
  - Find Carnegie Hall in Manhattan.
  - Complete the maze that takes each of them from their neighborhoods to Carnegie Hall.

# Where Are the Countries that We Have Learned About?

The artists came from different places but now live in New York City—just like you!



Gaida



Celso



Karlie





MORNINGSIDE

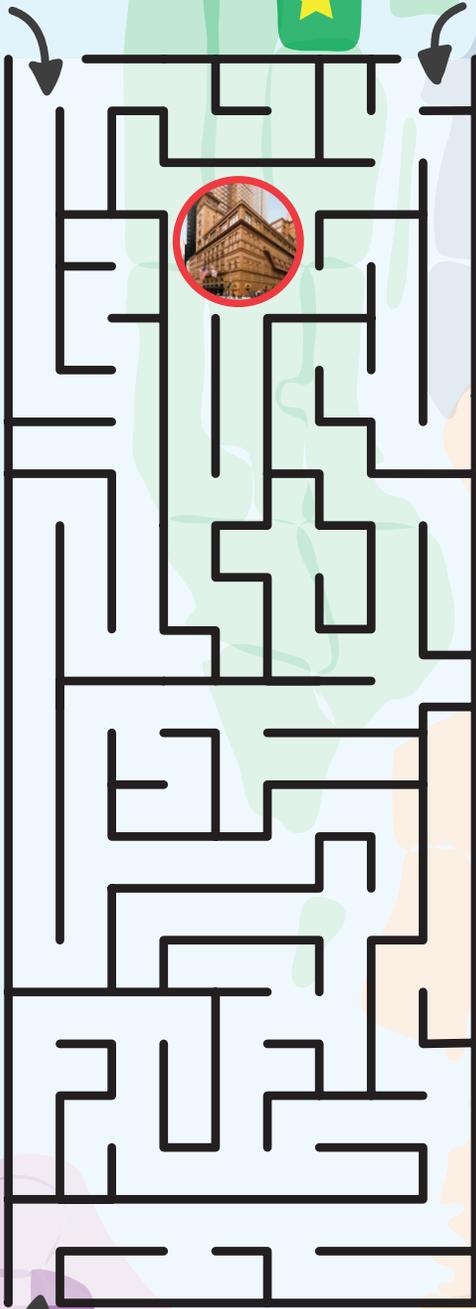


EAST HARLEM



Celso

QUEENS



**Find Carnegie Hall**

Find Gaida in Morningside Heights, Manhattan; Celso in East Harlem, Manhattan; and Karlie in Grymes Hill, Staten Island. In the maze, draw the path from each of them to Carnegie Hall in Manhattan. Let's go!



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# What Did You See and Hear at Carnegie Hall?

Draw pictures of your trip to Carnegie Hall below.



## Who is Your Favorite Artist?

Write a letter to your favorite Musical Explorers artist. Be sure to include your favorite part of the concert and your favorite song from the concert.

Dear \_\_\_\_\_,



Your friend,