

# Joy Messerschmidt

**Goal:** To join an organization where my international experience, educational achievements and my talents can be utilized and developed.

## Qualifications Highlights:

- Member of National Honor Society and Honors Program in Le Moyne College.
- Started writing age 5: First publication Eighth grade: most recent publication recommended by Peter Singer from Princeton University:  
<http://www2.xlibris.com/bookstore/bookdisplay.aspx?bookid=60647>
- Designer of Mind Cube Theory
- Video proposal for improvement of Le Moyne College shown to Board of Trustees
- Travis Hankins for Congress Summer Leadership Internship Program
- Le Moyne College Representative at Harvard's Bioethics Conference March 2009
- Member of National Honor Society
- Student Senate and LSPB Rep
- People to People International Volleyball Sports Ambassador Programs to Holland; started volleyball age 5.
- Actively involved as an artist in shows and publications since age 13; link--  
<http://blue13trix13.daportfolio.com/>
- Accomplished singer-- <http://www.myspace.com/mundimundi>; started age 6
- Recognized as a dance performer, (started at the age of five), drama actor and performed commercial skits at school and in the community.
- A creative thinker and designer, having been involved in extensive projects, book covers, games, speeches and advertisements at school and in the community.
- Cross-culture background and proficient in English, and Chinese.
- A leader in school events and activities; IBM program
- Elected "Miss Junior Prom" and was selected as 'State Finalist' for the title of Miss New York Teen USA Pageant in 2007.

## Academic Achievements (Certificates):

### Le Moyne College

**Nominated Rising Star Award:** Dolphin Choice Awards **2009**  
**Poem Defy** is the first publication in the Le Moyne Literary Magazine the "Salamander" **2009**

### Spackenkill High School

- Most Improved English Award **2008**
- Scott Stanford Award **2008**
- Richard D. Woolley Most Improved Athlete Award **2008**
- The National Society of High School Scholars **2008**
- National Honor Society. **2006-2008**
- AP Scholar Award. **2007**

- Model UN Distinguished Delegation Award (south Africa). **2007**
- Honorable mention award Model UN (South Africa). **2007**
- Student of the Marking Period 1/27/07 Math Regular B. **2007**
- Le Grand Concours Certificate de Reussite 10 mai. **2006**
- Participation in 2006 Hudson Valley Regional Envirothon. **2006**

**Todd Middle School** **2003-2005**

3 times Honor Roll Award Orville A. Todd Middle school.  
2003 Presidents Education Award Program for academic excellence. **2003**

**Leadership:**

**2005-2009**

- JV volleyball Captain. **2005**
- President of Art and Lit Club (Pegasus). **2007-2008**
- Public morning announcer, designed program for school. **2006-2008**
- Take initiative to support school activities inside and outside the clubs.
- Travis Hankins for Congress Leadership Program **Summer 2009**
- Representative in Harvard Bioethics Conference **March 2009**
- Representative in Student Senate for Sophomore Class of Le Moyne college **2009**
- IBM certification of completion LEAD, Leadership, Education, Advancement, and Development. **2005**

**Writings Awards:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> place school reflections contest winner. **2007**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place regional Reflections contest winner. **2007-2008**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place Reflections contest winner. **2007-2008**
- District winner 2<sup>nd</sup> place Reflections Contest. **2004**
- School winner 2<sup>nd</sup> place Reflections Contest. **2004**
- Certificate of Merit 06-07 PTA reflections program. **2007**
- 04-05 Certificate of Participation Taconic Region Reflection PTA **2004-2005**

See publications.

**Sports:**

- People to People Sports Ambassador to Holland. **2007**
- Spackenkill High School varsity Volleyball completion. **2007-2008**
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- Picture in Poughkeepsie Journal Sports section: Spackenkill spikes Saugerties 10/13/06

**Arts and Performing:**

**Music:**

- Solo at sports and events opening ceremony. **2007-2008**
- Solo at Yar Talent show performance. **2004-2008**
- Solo at Contrast sponsored talent show participation. **2004-2008**
- Solo at National Anthem at The Bonfire Night event. **2007**
- Member of Chinese Church Carols youth group. **2005-2007**
- Member of Evergreen Chorus Group. **2006**
- Took private singing class. **1998-2000**

**Cert.:** Completion of Evergreens Presentation of Holiday Harmony. **2006**

**Music instrument:** Piano.

- Private Class. **1995-2000**
- Vincitore's Yamaha Music School. **2001-2005**

**Dance:**

- Ballet and Tab student from King's Performing Arts Center Wanaque, NJ. **1995-2000**
- Singing, ballet and Jazz student from Estelle & Alfonso Fishkill, NY. **2005**
- Certificate of Appreciation for performance with Mid-Hudson Huaxia Chinese School Drum Team/folk dance team at Chinese New Year Celebration.
- Certificate of Excellence for Drum Dance Team (Sept 2004), received from Dutchess County Art Council. Certificate of Appreciation for Drum Dancing (Sept 2003).

**Drama:**

- 10<sup>th</sup> grade in GODSPELL: played Joanna: one of the main disciples. **2005-2006**
- 8<sup>th</sup> grade Best Beware My Sting: Master Artist and Village person #2. **2003-2004**

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**Painting:**

- Completed Spackenkill High School AP Art Class. **2007**
  - Painted Ballet Mural on the wall of the High School library. **2007**
  - Created school events advertisement and flyers. **2006-2008**
  - Designed school projects presentations and book covers. **2006-2008**
  - Art works were on school showroom and newspaper. **2004-2008**
- See publications.

**Video:**

- Le Moyne College Documentary: shown to the board of Trustees **2009**  
<http://www.facebook.com/video/?id=562981694#/video/video.php?v=63646991694>  
 video link above

**Community Services**

- Participating in fund raising in Dutchess County. **2005-2008**
- Assisted Chinese Church Events in Wappingers Falls, NY **2005-2007**
- Assisted Church summer camp program in Oakridge, NJ. **2007**
- Provided entertainment for Senior Citizens on weekend. **2007**
- Member of YAR: youth against racism. **2005-2007**
- Community Quilt Project- Participation Certificate. **2003-2004**

**Language skills:**

- Native English speaking.
- Mid-Hudson Huaxia Chinese School. **2001-2007**
- Took French class since 6<sup>th</sup> grade, and currently in AP French. **2001-2008**

**Publications:**

- The Vanishing Point: Childrens book published by Xlibris** **2009**
- Feng Daming and Joy Messerschmidt (Co-authored). **2004**  
**"BILINGUAL HANDBOOK FOR SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION."**  
 Supported by STATE SCHOLARSHIP FUND AWARD, CHINA SCHOLARSHIP COUNCIL.  
 Edition:2004, ISBN 7-5444-0057-3 (208 pages),  
 Shanghai Educational Publishing House.<http://www.ewen.cc> (Shanghai, P.R. China).

- Poems “*Defy*” in School Contrast Newspaper issue III **2008**
- Drawing “*FlyAway*” in School *contract* Newspaper issue III **2008**
- “*Artist Spotlight*” newspaper *Contrast* edition 1st **2008**
- Semi-political cartoon, called (*Bonnie and Bernie*),  
Published in School *Contrast* newspaper. **2007-2008**
- Poems “*Never Mine, Never Mind*”
- Poems “*Broken Porcelain Doll*” in School Newspaper *Contras* **2007**
- *Artwork of the month* in school newspaper *Contrast*. **2006**
- “*Vegetable Basket*” at the *Hua Xia Art Exhibition*. **2003**
- Hua Xia Chinese School Art Exhibition Executive Committee, Helen Studio, Fotolux Inc.  
(Pg 81), 2003.

**Computer skills:**

Highly proficient in Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and PhotoShop.

**Reference upon request.**

(Recommendation Letter)

To whom it may concern:

I have had the pleasure of working with Joy Messerschmidt as an intern for the summer. During this period of our acquaintance I have seen Joy excel in many capacities such as maturity, leadership, creating infrastructure, information gathering, research, communication agility, and quick ability to learn new skills. She has diligently worked for the benefit of my internship program.

One example comes to mind when she made connections with the [writebig.com](http://writebig.com) organization to support our program. Also, at one point during the summer some of the interns could not organize themselves in a coherent fashion to deal with the given tasks; Joy created and organized an infrastructure so the tasks could be accomplished as the communication chair. She has fulfilled the basic requirements of this internship in finishing canvassing, telephone calls, and research work in health care, international affairs, and abortion; and at the same time gone above and beyond with her leadership skills in organization and creativity in application of information.

Joy is an intelligent, capable, dedicated, creative and personable young woman. I feel confident saying she is capable of handling any situation with maturity, integrity, and care.

Sincerely,

Travis Hankins

July 28, 2009

<http://www.travishankins.com/>