

# VOICE Empowers

**"In my art I express myself in a way I can understand. I express myself to others so they know who I am and what I am capable of."**

– Stephanie Davis, 13

**"I dream of a world where children speak and are heard."**

– Maggie Lynch, 14

**"We are leaders for other girls. We have things to say and we're going to speak out. We want to make a difference."**

– Angelica Ortiz, 14

**Empowerment** is a group of young women coming together to dream...

**Empowerment** is discovering a new talent, creating original art, and developing your voice...

**Empowerment** is bringing new skills, greater self-confidence, and a more positive outlook on life to your family and your community...

**Empowerment** is knowing who you are and sharing that with the world.

## MILL STREET LOFT



# EMPOWERMENT FOR ALL PEOPLE

Mill Street Loft's  
Girls Empowerment  
Programs: We Change  
Lives Through the Arts

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WE CHANGE LIVES THROUGH THE ARTS

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# EMPOWER YOURSELF

Art Making

For over twenty-five years, Mill Street Loft has been offering youth innovative, high quality programming in the arts. **PASSWORD** and **Project AWARE** are gender-specific arts-based programs in which teenage girls meet regularly to work with professional teaching artists in a variety of disciplines. During workshops in everything from painting to poetry to drama, girls learn

more about themselves, their talents, and how they can empower themselves to lead happier and more fulfilling lives.

**PASSWORD** and **Project AWARE** are tuition-free programs; girls living in the urban communities of Poughkeepsie and Beacon are eligible for the program on a full-scholarship basis only. We are 100% dependent on grants

# YOUR

Success

"I went to a new level of living, growing, and being myself."

– Kirah Patterson, 12

# SELF

and private donations, and receive funding from local and national foundations. For more information on how you can enroll a child in **PASSWORD** or **Project AWARE**, or if you would like to help support these programs and others run by Mill Street Loft, visit [www.millstreetloft.org](http://www.millstreetloft.org) or call us at 845.471.7477.

**Empowerment is for Everyone. These girls are our future.**