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Pushing Boundaries: Democratic School Communities Committed to Social Justice

Paul Thompson, Principal, UA School for Music & Art
Paul Thompson, a trumpet player, who formerly taught music and social studies at Bard High School Early College and to incarcerated teens, founded the Urban Assembly School of Music and Art (UAMA) in 2005. He is responsible for the school's edgy stylish look from the business card and logo to the design of the school itself, as well as its philosophy of integrating arts and academics.

Wanda Vazquez, Principal, El Puente Academy for Peace & Justice
A graduate of New York City’s Leadership Academy and Brooklyn College, Wanda Luz Vazquez is now in her fourth year as Principal of El Puente Academy for Peace and Justice. Before becoming Principal, Ms. Vazquez worked as El Puente Academy’s Special Education Coordinator, facilitated Sankofa Seminar courses, and founded the school’s Women’s Group and Fly Girl Fest, an annual celebration of female empowerment. She also leads the Academy’s Holistic Individualized Process (HIP) team.

Peter Karp, Principal, Institute for Collaborative Education
Peter Karp, a former science teacher at the school who most recently was a curriculum designer at New Visions for Public Schools, became principal in January 2012, replacing founding Principal John Pettinato who retired after 20 years at ICE. The school is a small, progressive secondary school that strives to teach children to love learning—not just to take standardized tests.

Robert Lubetsky, Moderator
Dr. Lubetsky is a former teacher, staff developer, Assistant Principal, and was Principal of City-As-School HS for 13 years and was also a network leader who has worked closely with progressive educational organizations for the past 40 years. Currently he is the Program Director of the Program in Educational Leadership at CCNY.

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