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I was a student of the Art Student's League for years but when I discovered the Educational Alliance Art School in my own backyard I was an instant convert. It wasn't the location alone that won me over but the inspirational studio space along with the fine teaching staff. Additionally, as a lifelong lower east side resident, The Educational Alliance had been a neighborhood resource for me as I attended several Ed. Alliance camps and after school programs. Due to personal reasons I wasn't able to attend art classes for a while but I was looking forward to returning in the near future. Please consider retaining the fifth floor for as the art school! Although classes cost more than the ASL, I never considered the extra cost an issue. However, if art classes at Ed. Alliance were moved to the basement, I would consider resuming studies elsewhere. It just wouldn't be the same.