

LoveHub: Celebrating a Community of Love at HWC

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Image Caption: L-R: Roberto Salgado and Chanel Simanton

On Valentine's Day, the Student Government Association hosted their own special celebration.

SGA invited students to enjoy free pizza and candy while socializing with their friends in Room 102 for the second annual LoveHub event.

"This is actually the second version of this event. We actually did the same thing last year," shared Chanel Simanton, an SGA senator. "It's a hub of love, you know? And not just romantic love, but the love we share as a community, as students here at Harold Washington College."

This event is not the same as the previous year, Simanton went on to explain.

"What we're doing that's different from this year is that we got some collaboration with a couple clubs right now. Because last year, I think it was just SGA, but now we have a jazz ensemble about to give a live music performance," Simanton explains

HWC jazz ensemble members, Robert 'Bobby' Barp and Kayla Nelson, played for the students at the LoveHub.

"I love performing for the events and being able to do it. It's a great way to represent the musicians I'm with and show that there's performers in the school and they're willing to do, you know, anything, as long as it means something in the name of music," remarked Bobby Barp.

The Jazz Ensemble is not the only group they're working together with.

"We also, we've got the hobby club, specifically the hobby club should have a table right outside there," Simanton explains.

The Hobby Club showcased a table holding their crochet talents outside of the event to recruit students for their club.

"I also want to say that this is just the beginning for what we've got planned this semester. We really want to bring the community together here at Harold Washington because we've realized a lot of people just come to class and go, but we're really trying to change things up here where students stick around and collaborate and get to know each other. So we hope that LoveHub is an event that provides that space for students," says SGA Treasurer, Roberto Salgado.