Kaime Sherman BIO 2018:

Kaime Sherman, a YWCA Woman of Distinction in Arts | Culture and Hamiltonian of 38 years makes a profound impact encouraging excellence in the arts as thought leader, community builder and Founder | Artistic Director | Camp Director of AiDa | Academy of Imagination & Dramatic Arts. Her outstanding commitment to the arts has spanned over three decades as an artistic director, performer, drama coach, speaker and representative for The American Academy of Dramatic Arts in Canada.

As an innovative community leader and 2017/18 nominee for The City of Hamilton Arts Awards, she created AiDa's award winning workshops for Dramatic Arts, public speaking and year round camps for kids aged 6-13 featuring Drama Nature Art as well as Guest Artists and Mentors as well as the Youth Initiative Mentor | Leaders for youth ages 14-29. Secondary students can earn community service credit while making a difference and learning skills. AiDa is about lifting the human spirit through confidence building, communication, creative expression, self-discovery, emotional awareness, social change, leadership, mentoring and imagination. AiDa philosophy is, that dramatic arts spark one's inner magic to become successful in life.

- Find out more about AiDa: <u>www.aidahamont.com</u>
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As a community partner Kaime has fostered growth in the arts and business sector. She is a member of Hamilton Arts Council and along with HAC and Hamilton Public Library have partnered to facilitate dramatic arts workshops for kids with Hamilton and Ontario Culture Days. She also serves as a mentor for Small Business Enterprise Centre, SBEC a division of The City of Hamilton Economic Development. As a panelist for the HWDSB Tier 2 Audition —Based Program of the Arts she encourages participation in the arts. Most recently, Spring | Summer 2018 she created and facilitated a public speaking workshop with Mohawk College Continuing Education, "Discover Your Authentic Voice."

As an artist, Kaime refers to her Drama Coaching as an act of sharing the knowledge gained by Master Instructors with a hope she can pass it along to others. "Greatness is within us all, it's just in development."-Kaime Sherman