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Once you reach your goal, look behind you and give back.

— Seville Jackson

Seville Jackson, pictured on the left, was “a little rebellious,” by his own admission – and he did not want to leave his home in Milwaukee to come to Pittsburgh with his family.

It was 1999 — the summer before Seville’s junior year of high school. He had always been introverted, but there was one way he felt he could communicate his thoughts and emotions: through art. Now, having moved to a strange place where he knew nobody, he felt doubly alone. He believed he had no outlet.

Then he discovered the Youth & Arts program at **Manchester Craftsmen’s Guild** (MCG). Seville was drawn to the courses and because it felt like returning home. He took classes but now knows the true lessons were in motivation and determination. “The folks at MCG kept you going and let you know you were not alone,” he explains. Through MCG’s diverse collection of teaching artists perfecting their craft, Seville saw how people could make a career out of what they love. “Life was a canvas that they were able to paint on and change.”

In this very same building, Seville also discovered an art that would give him his vocation: cooking. In 2002, just after high school, Seville was accepted into the culinary arts program at **Bidwell Training Center** (BTC). It was hard work: “Cooking is like dancing; there are a lot of steps involved,” he says. But it is an effort that has led to many rewards. Today, Seville is sous-chef – second in command – at CUT, Wolfgang Puck’s top-rated steakhouse in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Seville still receives inspiration from lessons he learned at BTC: The world is available to you and you are not stuck in one place. It’s okay to be different. Hard work is contagious

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Manchester Bidwell Corporation's supportive atmosphere of art, light and music empowers our students to become productive society members. We do this through a number of initiatives:

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Our accredited and state licensed career training for adults-in-transition is focused on job placement.

MCG Youth & Arts

Our out-of-school-time courses — based in four art studios — are primarily for high-school-age students.

MCG Jazz

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The National Center for Arts & Technology

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