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Dear Arts Council friends and members,

It is with great pleasure that we present our fiscal year 2017 Annual Report. As you will discover, there is always something fun and creative happening at the Arts Council—and it all happens thanks to your support.

This past year, we launched a new website featuring the comprehensive online county-wide arts calendar. The site, designed by local developer NextLOGiK, has received four prestigious design awards so far! Be sure to browse the site, check out the calendar, post events, and help us spread the word about the arts in Howard County.

At the Howard County Center for the Arts, 35,000 visitors explored our galleries, attended classes, or enjoyed performances in our community black box theatre, landing us again on the Baltimore Business Journal's top arts organization and tourist attraction lists. And, our creative, community-based programs—such as Paint It! Ellicott City, ARTsites, and our No Boundaries Musical Theatre for people with disabilities—provided fun new ways to experience the arts.

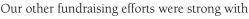
We are, of course, incredibly grateful for the tremendous support we receive from Howard County Government. For 36 years, we have partnered with the County to establish a vital and diverse arts community. In FY 2017, we received \$800,000 from Howard County to foster the arts. Without the leadership of County Executive Allan Kittleman and the unwavering commitment of Council members Calvin Ball, Greg Fox, Mary Kay Sigaty, Jen Terrasa, and Jon Weinstein, the vital, diverse arts community we have today would not exist. We thank them for believing in our mission and for recognizing that public funding for the arts is an investment in the quality of life of the people who live here and the businesses that grow here.

In addition, the grant we received from the Maryland State Arts Council increased 19 percent—a record high—thanks to Governor Hogan and our county delegation in Annapolis. Their investment in the arts is critical to ensure public access to the arts and to support creativity and diverse art forms in our community.

Creating an environment where artists can thrive and the public can engage and connect with the arts is an important goal for the Arts Council. In the aftermath of the July 2016 flash flood that devastated Historic Ellicott City and led to the loss of three lives, the Arts Council quickly established the Re-CREATE: Ellicott City Artist Relief Fund to assist artists whose livelihoods were threatened due to loss of income, equipment, and studio space. Through the Re-CREATE Fund, we were able to help the historic district art scene and artists get back on their feet.

It was also an eventful year for the arts in Columbia with the transfer of ownership of Merriweather Post Pavilion to the Downtown Columbia Arts and Culture Commission, the opening of the stunning Chrysalis amphitheatre, and the kick-off for Columbia's extraordinary 50th birthday celebration featuring scores of community tributes and arts-related events. What an incredible homage to the vision of James Rouse and Columbia!

We helped kick off Columbia's 50th in style with our Celebration of the Arts gala featuring Padraic Kennedy as Honorary Chair and a special Rising ALL-Star Competition. Over 500 artists and guests attended—raising \$111,600 to support the arts in Howard County.







Julie Hughes Jenkins, President



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The Howard County Arts Council would like to thank the following individuals, families, organizations, agencies, and corporations who gave their financial and in-kind support to the arts in Howard County between July 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017. We make every effort to ensure that our many supporters are acknowledged, but sometimes errors and omissions occur. If you have contributed during this time and your name does not appear on the list, please contact us at 410-313-2787. Thank you for your understanding and continued support.

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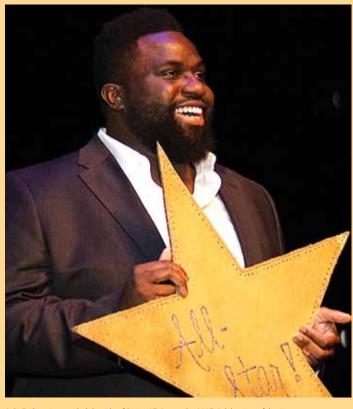
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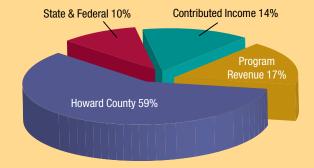
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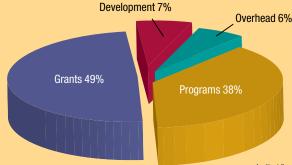
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Financial Overview: FY17 Revenue & Expenses (unaudited)



Revenue Total: \$1,364,900



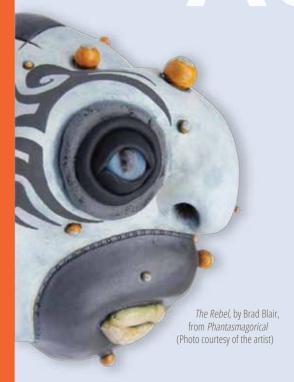
Expenses Total: \$1,344,461

Audited financial statements for the Howard County Arts Council are prepared by Jones, Maresca & McQuade in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards. A complete statement is available upon request.

^{*} Artists who donated full amount of sale

at the Howard County Center for the Arts

July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017



Exhibits

Paint It! Ellicott City 2016

July 11-August 19, 2016

An annual *en plein air* painting event and exhibit involving juried artists shown in the gallery and open community artists shown in the lobby. Presented in partnership with Howard County Tourism and Howard County Public School System.

Montgomery Portrait Artists

July 11–August 19, 2016 Portraiture and figurative art in oil, charcoal, pastel, and watercolor from five skilled

Montgomery County based artists.

The Value of Three

September 2–October 14, 2016 Artwork from the Baltimore Watercolor Society's juried signature members.

Ceramics: Trisha Kyner & Christina McCleary

September 2–October 14, 2016 Sculptural works by local ceramicists Trish Kyner and Christina McCleary.

Art Maryland 2016

October 28–December 9, 2016
Biennial juried exhibit featuring the work of Maryland artists in all media. Juror:
Christopher Bedford, Director of the Baltimore Museum of Art.

HoCo Open 2017

January 13–February 24, 2017 An open exhibit in which Howard County artists were invited to drop off one piece of work to be hung in the gallery.

Phantasmagorical

January 13–February 24, 2017 Highly detailed, imaginative collage works by Barbara Marley and sculptures by Brad Blair.

Youth Art Month: Imagining Home: Creating Community

March 10–April 21, 2017
An exhibit showcasing the artwork of K-12 students around the theme of homes and community. Part of an ongoing partnership between the Howard County Arts Council and the Howard County Public School System in celebration of Youth Art Month.

No Boundaries

March 10–April 21, 2017
An exhibit of artwork by teens and adults with developmental disabilities.
Presented in partnership with Howard
County Recreation and Parks, Therapeutic
Recreation and Inclusion Services and Cedar
Lane School.

Resident Visual Artists Exhibit 2017

May 5-June 16, 2017

New work in a range of media by HCAC's resident visual artists—James Adkins, Stanley Agbontaen, Joan Bevelaqua, Myungsook Ryu Kim, Art Landerman, Diana Marta, Joyce Ritter, Jereme Scott, Alice St. Germain-Gray, Andrei Trach, Jamie Travers, Mary Jo Tydlacka, and David Zuccarini.

Reconstructions

May 5-June 16, 2017

Works by multimedia artists Zac Benson, whose three-dimensional forms are created with abandoned and discarded materials, and Jason Hughes, who incorporates patterns from U.S. currency into his prints.

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major gifts from Mary and Earl Armiger, Corporate Office Properties Trust, Howard Bank, Howard County General Hospital, the Isadore and Bertha Gudelsky Family Foundation, Elizabeth and Ken Lundeen, M&T Bank, PNC Bank, and Wells Fargo. And our membership roster topped 325.

Last year, with your help, we also:

- Awarded 65 grants to local and regional arts organizations and county PTAs totaling \$590,600.
- Awarded over \$90,000 to individual artists in the form of scholarships, grants, honoraria, and awards.
- Established the Re-CREATE: Ellicott City Artist Relief Fund to assist artists affected by the July 2016 flash flood.
- Recognized exemplary leadership in the arts through our Howie Awards to visual artist Yifei Gan (Outstanding Artist), Laurie Basham, Glenwood Middle School art teacher (Outstanding Arts Educator), and M&T Bank (Outstanding Business Supporter of the Arts).
- Redesigned our newsletter and annual report.
- Hired Schultz & Williams, a nationally known fundraising and marketing consulting firm, to conduct a capital campaign feasibility study for the new cultural arts center in Downtown Columbia.
- Expanded our social media presence by actively promoting the arts through *Art Buzz*, our monthly e-newsletter, Facebook and Twitter.
- Mounted 12 exciting, original exhibits which featured 245 artists and 400 K-12 students.
- Organized a four-day plein air event in Historic Ellicott City featuring nearly 70 artists and hundreds of spectators.
- Placed 12 new temporary outdoor sculptures at community sites county-wide.

- Provided affordable rehearsal, performance, and studio space to over 60 artists and arts groups.
- Presented Fabulous 50+ Players musical theatre outreach programs at senior and community centers county-wide.
- Provided hands-on experiences in the arts to 120 children attending the Ellicott City and Old Cedar Lane Head Start Centers through our highly acclaimed Head StART in ART artists-in-education program.
- Launched our dynamic, stunning new website featuring a comprehensive resource section and county-wide arts calendar.

All of these efforts resulted in more opportunities for artists and more opportunities for the public to engage in the arts, which we believe is needed now more than ever.

In light of recent cultural, racial, and gender-related incidents locally and nationally, all of us at the Arts Council believe that the arts are essential to sustaining our community's values of civility, diversity, and inclusivity. Exhibits, concerts, festivals, and other arts events bring people—from many walks of life—together. They provide us with a safe space where we can celebrate our accomplishments and learn about cultures, religions, and values that are different from our own. They encourage us to meet and converse, to express opinions and ideas in a productive, constructive manner. They teach us how to be a more tolerant and open society.

Looking ahead, there is tremendous opportunity for the arts to bring people together and make a positive impact. We hope you will stay involved and help us continue to enrich, heal, and inspire our community through the arts.

Sincerely,

Julie Hughes Jenkins, *Board President* Coleen West, *Executive Director*



In January, Gallery I overflowed with color as *HoCo Open 2017* showcased the diverse talents of local artists. (HCAC photo)

Get brushes ready for Paint It! Ellicott City Howard County Times, July 2016

Ellicott City plein air event is picture perfect Howard County Times, July 2016 Ellicott City primed for its portrait Howard County Times, July 2016

Ellicott City a fine plein-air inspiration Baltimore Sun, July 2016

Plein air paintings capture pre-flood Ellicott City BaltimoreSun.com, August 2016

Art to raise funds for Ellicott City Baltimore Sun, August 2016

Surveying today's art in *Art Maryland* 2016 Howard County Times, November 2016

Open exhibit is equalizer for Howard artists Howard County Times, January 2017

'HoCo' showcases local talent in all mediums Howard County Times, February 2017

Howard County arts community celebrates its own Howard County Times, March 2017

Student artwork that's at home in a gallery Howard County Times, April 2017

Energetic work emerges in Ellicott City show *Howard County Times,* June 2017

Grant Programs

oward County Arts Council grants are awarded based on artistic merit, ability of the applicant to carry out the project, and level of service to the community. Grantees are selected through a competitive process in which applications are reviewed by a volunteer advisory panel made up of academics and artists representing a variety of disciplines. Grant award recommendations are then reviewed and approved by the HCAC Board of Directors. In FY17, HCAC awarded 52 grants totaling \$561,929.



Misako Aoki of Misako Ballet accepts a Community Arts Development grant award from Howard County Executive Allan Kittleman at the FY2017 Annual Meeting and Grant Awards Ceremony on September 15, 2016.

FY17 Artist-in-Education Grantees

Bonnie Branch MS PTA Burleigh Manor MS PTA Bushy Park ES PTA Clarksville MS PTA Clemens Crossing ES PTA Cradlerock ES PTA Ducketts Lane ES PTA Dunloggin MS PTA Glenwood MS PTSA Harpers Choice MS PTA Hollifield Station ES PTA Ilchester ES PTA Lime Kiln MS PTA Lisbon ES PTA Marriotts Ridge HS PTSA Stevens Forest ES PTA Talbott Springs ES PTA Thunder Hill ES PTA Veterans ES PTA

FY17 Baltimore City Arts & Cultural Grantees

American Visionary Art Museum
Baltimore Museum of Art
Baltimore Museum of Industry
Baltimore Symphony Orchestra
Center Stage Associates, Inc.
Maryland Historical Society
Maryland Science Center
Maryland Zoological Society, Inc.
National Aquarium, Inc.
Port Discovery Children's Museum
Walters Art Museum

FY17 Outreach Howard Grantees

American Visionary Art Museum Baltimore Museum of Industry Chesapeake Shakespeare Company Maryland Science Center Maryland Zoological Society, Inc. Port Discovery Children's Museum Walters Art Museum

FY17 Community Arts Development Grantees

Candlelight Concert Society
Columbia Bands
Columbia Center for Theatrical Arts
Columbia Festival
The Columbia Orchestra
Columbia Pro Cantare
First Evangelical Lutheran Church
HopeWorks of Howard County
Howard County Concert Orchestra
Howard County Poetry and Literature
Society

Kinetics Dance Theatre Little Patuxent Review ManneqART Misako Ballet Company Red Branch Theatre Company Rep Stage

ShowTime Singers
Silhouette Stages

Sundays At Three

Vantage House

FY17 Jim Rouse Theatre Subsidy

The Columbia Orchestra Columbia Pro Cantare Kinetics Dance Theatre Misako Ballet Company

FY17 Organizational Development Grantee

Red Branch Theatre Company

FY17 Mark Ryder Original Choreography Grantee

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Ellicott City Artist Relief Fund

flood in Historic Ellicott City. A total of

Photo courtesy of Howard County Government

The Re-CREATE: Ellicott City Artist Relief Fund was created to assist artists and non-profit arts and cultural organizations affected by the July 30, 2016 flash

> \$40,829 in aid was distributed. Thirtyfour grants were awarded to individual artists in amounts up to \$6,498 each; no applications were received from non-profit arts or cultural organizations.

The Re-CREATE fund was established in August 2016 from an immediate outpouring of support and concern from artists involved in HCAC's annual Paint It! Ellicott City plein air event. Paint It! artists contacted HCAC to offer help by donating 20-100% of the sale of their artwork. The Relief Fund grew dramatically with a \$10,000 challenge grant from Mary and Earl Armiger, leaders in the county's philanthropic community, and a \$5,000 grant from the Maryland State Arts Council.

A unique feature of the Re-CREATE fund was its primary goal of

supporting artists who lost their artwork, particularly artists whose artwork was on display or consignment at galleries and was not covered by insurance. HCAC reached out to Ellicott City galleries to obtain names of artists whose work was damaged or lost and to verify the value of the artwork. In speaking to affected artists, HCAC learned that many were relying on the income from the work lost to get them through the fall and

Vermont-based Craft Emergency Relief Fund, a national leader in disaster relief for artists, contacted HCAC immediately and provided valuable information. Information gathered from other relief efforts, such as the 9/11 New York Arts Recovery Fund, the Joan Mitchell Foundation, and the National Coalition for Arts Preparedness and Emergency Response, was also used to guide the development of the Re-CREATE Fund.

HCAC's goals—to aid the arts community, particularly individual artists whose livelihood was negatively impacted, and to disburse funds as quickly as possible—were achieved. The priority deadline for grant requests was November 11 and the first of the grant checks went out December 14, just in time for the holiday season.

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Nighat Ahmed

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David Bagwell

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Bruce Blum

Terry & Kerry Bock †

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Sid Branham

Brasher Design

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Laura Callens

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Adron Dozat

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Pam & Matt Ellis +

Escape Artists Gallery

Raymond Ewing

Arlene Feit

Matt Fenton 4

Linda Fishman

Steven Fleming

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Ellicott City Artist Relief Fund

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