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Dear Arts Council members and friends,

In fiscal year 2021-22, the Arts Council, along with other public-facing organizations, tried to get back to normal. Are we there yet? Not quite. We're still facing the lingering effects and uncertainty of a global pandemic, but we've certainly come a long way.

In July 2021, after 16 months of operating primarily in a digital space, the Arts Council opened our doors full-time, cautiously welcoming visitors and audiences back to the Howard County Center for the Arts. We drew on our reserves of patience and resilience – along with the support of our friends and members – to navigate new COVID variants and provide safe opportunities for artists and arts groups to create and present their work, while drawing 24,000 visitors (68% of our pre-COVID attendance). We are excited about our progress so far and optimistic about the future!

Howard County's partnership with the Arts Council has been essential to our recovery, and to the recovery of the entire arts community. We'd like to thank County Executive Dr. Calvin Ball and Council members Opel Jones, Deb Jung, Christiana Mercer Rigby, Liz Walsh, and David Yungmann for their stalwart support of the Arts Council and for providing us with \$905,500 in direct funding as well as additional support to produce a family-friendly arts festival for the Long Reach community. Their investment in the arts is critical to ensuring public access to the arts and supporting diverse art forms in our community.

We received a record \$193,238 from the Maryland State Arts Council – a 13% increase – and a commitment for additional recovery funds in the coming year, thanks to the leadership of Governor Hogan and our state delegation in Annapolis.

In other good financial news, our earned income grew, our memberships and sponsorships remained healthy, and we received our first six-figure planned giving commitment. Our financial position at year-end was strong.

Creating an environment where artists can thrive and the public can engage in the arts is an important goal for the Arts Council. In FY22, we awarded 60 operating and project grants totaling \$616,000 in public funds to arts organizations and PTAs. And, we provided \$190,000 in both private and public funds to individual artists in the form of scholarships, grants, fees, and honorariums.

In addition to awarding grants, we:

- mounted 14 original exhibits featuring the work of 289 artists and 350 student artists.
- hosted our first juried Holiday Arts Market in conjunction with our annual Holiday Maker-Mart.
- placed 12 new temporary outdoor sculptures at 12 community sites through our ARTsites program.

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Adam Stull, President



Coleen West, Executive Director

MISSION STATEMENT

To serve and enrich our community by fostering the arts, artists, and arts organizations.



(L-R): An artist at work on Main Street during Paint It! Ellicott City 2022 (photo: Ray Urena)
Rising Star finalist Madhulika C. Nallani performs at the 2021 Celebration of the Arts (photo: Katie Simmons-Barth)
DOGO du Togo performs at the ARTreach Festival (photo: Dan J. Goodrich)
A summer camper with a work in progress (HCAC photo)

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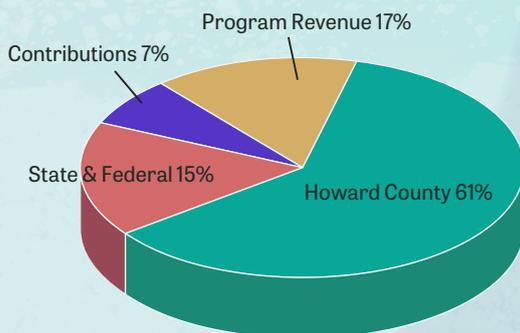
MaryKate Brouillet, winner of the 2021 Rising Star Performing Arts Competition, performs at the Celebration of the Arts (photo: Katie Simmons-Barth)

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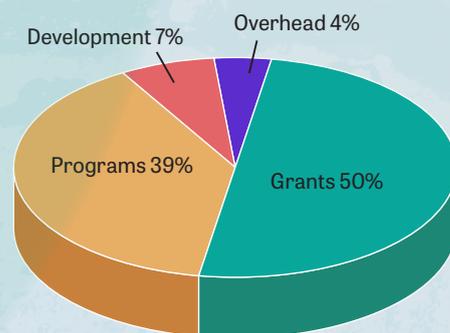
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Financial Overview: FY22 Revenue & Expenses (unaudited)



Revenue
Total: \$1,731,810



Expenses
Total: \$1,714,057

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Report Letter [continued from front page]

- provided affordable studio space to 14 visual artists and 3 arts groups at the Center for the Arts and 15 visual artists at our studios in Long Reach.
- piloted a new Creative Aging program for seniors.
- produced ARTreach, a free, family-friendly arts festival at Long Reach Village Center. Over 2,000 community members attended, enjoying the sounds of six world music bands and artmaking activities and demonstrations ranging from tie-dye to piñata-making to caricatures to silhouette-cutting and much more. Nearly 80 volunteers participated and 117 visual and performing artists were featured.
- modified our summer camp program and welcomed 877 campers back.
- provided affordable rehearsal, workshop, meeting, and performance space to over 60 artists and arts groups.
- partnered with Visit Howard County to host the popular four-day Paint It! Ellicott City paint-out in historic Ellicott City with over 85 juried and community artists setting up their easels and capturing the charming sites of the old mill town.
- created a video to promote our Long Reach Studio artists.
- placed visiting artist Marcie Wolf-Hubbard in a year-long artist-in-education residency with 57 pre-K students at the Ellicott City Head Start Center. The artist and students each created their own tiny houses, which were displayed at the Center for the Arts and featured in a sharing assembly during the Head Start graduation ceremony. The residency was supported by The Isadore and Bertha Gudelsky Family Foundation.
- returned to the Jim Rouse Theatre to hold our hybrid in-person and virtual Celebration of the Arts gala, which marked our 40th anniversary. The gala featured our popular Rising Star Performing Arts Competition and a special Collector's Preview for our benefit exhibit and art auction.
- continued our monthly Arts Chats to help connect local arts groups and supported local artists and arts groups through a new monthly artist opportunities e-newsletter and a new monthly feature highlighting our grantees.
- expanded our social media presence with increased activities reaching 58,205 unique visitors through our website, monthly e-newsletter, Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.
- recognized six individuals for their significant impact on the arts in our community:
 - Poet Linda Joy Burke received the Howie Award for Outstanding Artist;
 - Patricia Hunter, Homewood Art Teacher, and Eric Posner, Atholton High School Director of Bands, received Howie Awards for Outstanding Arts Educator;
 - Phyllis Madachy received the Howie Award for Outstanding Community Supporter of the Arts (posthumously)
 - Linda and Philip Press received the Legacy in the Arts Award.
- and so much more.

The Arts Council is proud of what we have accomplished – during another difficult year – and we're pleased to present our FY22 annual report. Within this report we recognize our donors – it is only through the collective efforts and contributions of our friends and members that we are able to support artists and bring people together to make a positive impact in our community.

Thank you for your continued support,

Adam Stull, *Board President* Coleen West, *Executive Director*

ACTIVITIES

at the Howard County Center for the Arts

Exhibits

Regeneration

August 21 – October 2, 2021

Large-scale mixed-media sculptures and installations by Marcia Wolfson-Ray and Micaela Vivero explore concepts of regeneration and the relationship between viewers and space.

Resiliencia

August 21 – October 2, 2021

Artists Dulce Pinzon, Julia Justo, and Christine Stoddard use interdisciplinary methods to explore social and political concepts through photography, mixed-media, film, and installation.

Art Howard County 2021

October 16 – November 27, 2021

A biennial exhibit featuring artists working in all media who live, work, or study in Howard County. Juror: Freda Lee-McCann.

Bio • Sphere

October 16 – November 27, 2021

Artists Melissa Cormier and Mary McCoy use microphotography and methods of scientific collection and sampling to explore nature.

HoCo Open

December 18, 2021 – February 5, 2022

Annual salon-style, non-juried exhibit of art in a variety of media by the first 100 artists who applied online and live, work, or study in Howard County.

Abstraction/Contraction

December 18, 2021 – February 5, 2022

An installation of wood sculptures by Andrew Flanders that play with the viewer's perception of everyday objects, alongside paper and fiber 'paintings' by Stanley Wenocur that explore the use of surface, texture, and form.

Youth Art Month – Discarded: What's Worth Saving

February 18 – April 2, 2022

A salon-style exhibit featuring hundreds of works in a variety of media by grade K-12 Howard County Public School System students, selected from art classes throughout the county. Presented in partnership with the HCPSS Fine Arts Office.



Detail from Apothecary, by Mary McCoy, featured in the Bio • Sphere exhibit (HCAC photo)

No Boundaries

February 18 – April 2, 2022

An exhibit of mixed-media artwork by youth and adult artists with developmental disabilities, and winning entries and honorable mentions from the Howard County Commission on Disabilities' ADA30 poster contest commemorating the 30th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Presented in partnership with Howard County Recreation and Parks' Department of Therapeutic Recreation and Inclusion Services.

Resident Visual Artists Exhibit 2022

April 16 – May 28, 2022

An exhibit of new work in a range of media by HCAC's resident visual artists: James Adkins, Alla Borovskaia, Milana Borovskaia, Sara Engel, Michelle Faulkner-Forson, Myungsook Ryu Kim, Diana Marta, Joyce J. Ritter, Lisa M. Scarbath, Jerome Scott, Asma Shikoh, Andrei Trach, Jamie Travers, Mary Jo Tydlacka, and David Zuccarini.

Weaving in the Time of COVID

April 16 – May 28, 2022

A retrospective of fiber artwork created by members of the Weaver's Guild of Greater Baltimore during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Paint It! Ellicott City 2022

June 13 – August 6, 2022

An exhibit of artwork created by juried artists during Paint It! Ellicott City, an annual plein air paint-out in historic Ellicott City, Maryland. Juror: Ron Donoughe.

Fabricating Order

June 13 – August 6, 2022

An exhibit exploring abstraction, geometry, surface, and texture through digital embroidery by Susan Hensel and metal etchings by Gaylia Wagner.

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(through November 2021)

Annie Braunschweig, non-voting

(from January 2022)

Center Committee

Julie Hughes Jenkins, Co-Chair
Muriel Mitchell, Co-Chair
Denée Barr
Mary K. Baxter
Ellen Flynn Giles
Katherine Keefe
Tracey Pullo
Jereme Scott
Debra Stepp
Coleen West
Raul Duran, non-voting

Resident Artists

James Adkins
Joan Bevelacqua (*through August 2021*)
Alla Borovskaia (*through April 2022*)*
Milana Borovskaia (*through April 2022*)*
Sara Engel
Michelle Faulkner-Forson
Myungsook Ryu Kim
Diana Marta
Joyce J. Ritter
Lisa M. Scarbath

Jereme Scott
Asma Shikoh (*from November 2021*)
Andrei Trach
Jamie Travers
Mary Jo Tydlacka
David Zuccarini
**Emerging Artist Studio Program*

Resident Arts Organizations

Ballet Mobile, Inc.
The Columbia Orchestra
Columbia Pro Cantare

Arts Advancement Organizations

Baltimore Bead Society
Baltimore Watercolor Society
Black-Eyed Susan Button Club
Embroiderers' Guild of America,
Constellation Chapter
Howard County Music Teachers Association
Maryland Winds
The Weavers Guild of Greater Baltimore

Black Box Theatre Presenters

Adrienne Lillette Harris Foundation
Agatha Dance Studio

Arte Flamenco
Bach to Rock
Ballet with Cindee
Columbia Bands – Flute Cocktail
Columbia Center for Theatrical Arts
Fabula Paliata
GS Studio
Aparna Gurumurthy
Nathaniel Hardman
Howard County Autism Society
Howard County Music Teachers
Association
Howard County Poetry & Literature Society
Howard County Recreation and Parks:
No Boundaries
Jayamangala
Kinetics Dance Theater
Klohverleaf Dance Academy
Lortz Music Studio
Opus Concert Theater
Alla Protensko
Story Tapestries
Thumak Dance Company
Thunderous Productions



JOSE ROSENDO DE JESUS from the State of Guerrero, Mexico works as a union organizer in New York. He sends 700 a month, by Dulce Pinzon, from the Resiliencia exhibit

Grant Programs

Howard 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 FY22, HCAC awarded \$616,353 in matching grants to 49 organizations.

FY22 Artists-in-Education Grantees

Bryant Woods ES PTA
Burleigh Manor MS PTA
Dayton Oaks PTA
Dunloggin MS PTA
Ellicott Mills MS PTA
Fulton ES PTA
Glenwood MS PTA
Hammond MS PTA
Homewood Center
Lake Elkhorn MS PTA
Lime Kiln MS PTA
Patapsco MS PTA
Patuxent Valley MS PTA
Talbot Springs ES PTA

FY22 Baltimore City Arts & Cultural Grantees

American Visionary Art Museum
Baltimore Center Stage
Baltimore Museum of Art
Baltimore Museum of Industry
Baltimore Symphony Orchestra
Maryland Center for History and Culture
Maryland Science Center
Maryland Zoological Society, Inc.
National Aquarium, Inc.
Port Discovery Children's Museum
The Walters Art Museum

FY22 Outreach Howard Grantees

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

FY22 Community Arts Development Grantees

Candlelight Concert Society
Columbia Bands
Columbia Center for Theatrical Arts
Columbia Festival of the Arts
Columbia Orchestra
Columbia Pro Cantare
First Evangelical Lutheran Church
Glen Mar United Methodist Church
HopeWorks of Howard County
Howard County Chinese School
Howard County Concert Odyssey
Howard County Poetry and Literature Society
Indian Cultural Association of Howard County
Kinetics Dance Theatre
Little Patuxent Review
ManneqART
Maryland Winds
Misako Ballet Company
Muslim Family Center



Some of HCAC's FY22 Community Arts Development grant recipients with Maryland State Senator Katie Fry Hester, Maryland State Delegate Jessica Feldmark, HCAC Board President Sharonlee Vogel, Howard County Deputy Chief of Staff Jennifer D. Jones, and HCAC Executive Director Coleen West (HCAC photo)

Rep Stage
ShowTime Singers
Silhouette Stages
Sundays At Three

FY22 Jim Rouse Theatre Subsidy Grantee

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

FY22 Creative Howard Grantee

Baltimore Bead Society

FY22 Mark Ryder Original Choreography Grantee

Misty Yackshaw

FY22 Committee on Grants

Jordana Guzman, Chair
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Ellen Flynn Giles
Sandra French
Brian Liu
Tracey Pullo
Sabina Taj

FY22 Artistic Review Panel

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Mary Kay Kenney, Vice Chair
Jennifer Aversa
Harold Burgess
Patrick Crossland
Jocquelyn Downs
Ryan Knapp
Kimberley Lynne
Gayla Phillips
Amy Poff
Darion Smith
Jessica Julin White

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