

Annual Report FY2021



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Dear Arts Council members and friends,

What a year! As we look back on fiscal year 2020-21, all of us here at the Arts Council have a great sense of pride, accomplishment, and—relief. In a year like no other, faced with shuttered venues and little to no earned or contributed income, we ended on solid financial footing and found new ways to support and experience the arts.

Our small but resilient staff reimagined our programs and also how we worked. We ramped up social media efforts; organized virtual community arts chats so that local groups had a chance to talk to one another and share ideas and solutions; hosted virtual receptions and tours for our gallery exhibits; offered safe and affordable studio space for artists at the Center for the Arts and at Long Reach; provided direct emergency grants to artists and arts organizations; and assisted the County in processing HoCo Rise Emergency grants to artists and arts organizations. Our Celebration sponsors and membership remained strong. AND, thank goodness for the federal, state, and county relief efforts.

We are incredibly fortunate to have the support and leadership of the County Executive and County Council. For 40 years, Howard County Government has partnered with the Arts Council to build a strong foundation for the arts. We would like to thank County Executive Dr. Calvin Ball and Council members Opel Jones, Deb Jung, Christiana Mercer Rigby, Liz Walsh, and David Yungmann for awarding the Arts Council \$905,500 in direct funding and \$24,000 in emergency funding. We are extremely proud of—and grateful for—this longstanding partnership. We also received a record \$171,500 from the Maryland State Arts Council—a 19% increase—and \$64,000 in emergency funds, thanks to Governor Hogan and our State Delegation in Annapolis.

In FY21, we distributed 62 grants totaling \$685,370 in public funds to arts organizations and PTAs. We provided \$90,000 in private and public funds to individual artists through scholarships, grants, and honorariums. And, we helped the County administer 46 HoCo RISE grants, totaling \$100,000, to artists and arts organizations.

In addition to awarding grants, we:

- placed 12 outdoor sculptures at 12 community sites through our ARTsites program;
- partnered with Visit Howard County to host two 4-day paint-outs in historic Ellicott

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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): *my so-called coronavirus life*, by Siobhan Vicens, from *HoCo Open* (photo courtesy of the artist)
Slam poet Gayle Danley, guest performer at the 2020 Celebration of the Arts (photo courtesy of Gayle Danley)
Artist Susan Stockman works on her redesign of the Benchmark sculpture in the HCCA courtyard (HCAC photo)
Ordinary Person, by Charlie Brouwer, installed at Corporate Office Properties Trust as part of ARTsites 2020 (HCAC photo)

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The Howard County Arts Council would like to thank the following individuals, families, organizations, agencies, and corporations who gave or pledged their financial and in-kind support to the arts in Howard County between July 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021. 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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HCAC Executive Director Coleen West with the HoCo RISE to the Challenge grant check the Arts Council received from Howard County Government (HCAC photo)

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Maryland First Lady Yumi Hogan explores the Arts Council galleries with Howard County Executive Dr. Calvin Ball and HCAC Executive Director Coleen West in May 2021 (photo: R. Scott Kramer)

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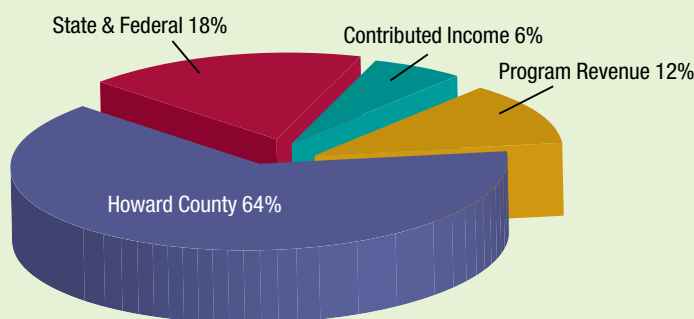
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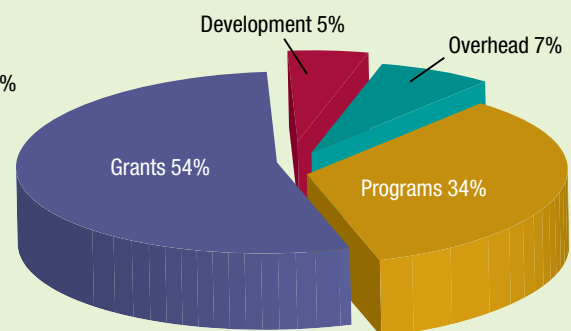
Gabriel Hightower, winner of the 2020 Rising Star Performing Arts Competition performs at the 2020 Celebration of the Arts (photo: Pixel Workshop)

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Nancy & Henry Yee
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Financial Overview: FY21 Revenue & Expenses (unaudited)



Revenue
Total: \$1,443,358



Expenses
Total: \$1,379,486

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.

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American Visionary Arts Museum
Arthur Murray Dance Center in
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* Artists who donated full amount of sale

Report Letter [continued from front page]

City—one in the fall and one in the spring—with over 127 plein air artists setting up their easels and capturing charming scenes of the old mill town;

- hosted three virtual Head StART in ART residencies with professional artists and pre-K children from low-income families;
- collaborated with The Howard Hughes Corporation on the 4th annual Merriweather District Artists-in-Residence; and
- held our first-ever virtual gala in August 2020, with a powerful opening by internationally renowned slam poet Gayle Danley, and recognized 4 individuals for their significant impact on the arts:
 - Musician Hsien-Ann Meng received the Howie Award for Outstanding Artist;
 - Choreographer and dance teacher Donna Pidel received the Howie Award for Outstanding Arts Educator;
 - The Howard Hughes Corporation received the Howie Award for Outstanding Business Supporter of the Arts; and
 - Summer theatre director Thomas Sankey received the Legacy in the Arts Award.

At the Center for the Arts, after a three-month shut-down, we reopened our galleries in July 2020, providing 332 artists and 86 student artists with opportunities to exhibit their work.

We also hired mosaic artist Susan Stockman to commemorate our 40th anniversary by reimagining our Benchmark sculpture to complement the Head StART in ART mural which adorns the front of the Center for the Arts. Susan worked throughout the pandemic on this project which was completed last spring.

Yes, with everything else going on, the Arts Council turned 40! Inside this report are highlights of our work in FY21.

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

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

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Activities

at the Howard County Center for the Arts

July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021

Exhibits

Resident Visual Artists Exhibit 2020

July 15 – August 9, 2020

An annual showcase of new work in a range of media by HCAC's resident visual artists—James Adkins, Joan Bevelaqua, Sara Engel, Myungsook Ryu Kim, Art Landerman, Charlotte Mann Lee, Diana Marta, Joyce J. Ritter, Jereme Scott, Andrei Trach, Jamie Travers, and Mary Jo Tydlacka. The opening of this exhibit was postponed from May to July due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Geometric Aljamia: A Cultural Transliteration

August 29 – October 3, 2020

The artists in this exhibit—including Jorge Benitez, Reni Gower, Hanane Korchi, and Julia Townsend—explore geometry as a fundamental aspect of art and as a way to communicate universal ideas across cultures. By understanding the arts as a transliteration of one form of thinking to another and addressing the fundamental patterns embedded in visual art, *Geometric Aljamia* affirmed the ongoing impact of Islamic art, science, and philosophy throughout the world today.

Source Material

August 29 – October 3, 2020

To commemorate Governor Hogan's proclamation of 2020 as the Year of the Woman, *Source Material* showcased artwork by four female artists: Maremi Andreozzi, Suzanne Herbert-Forton, Kayla Bennett, and Jess Bee. Through diverse materials, each artist incorporates colorful textures and patterns to explore themes from history and religion to poetry and dreams.

Paint It! Ellicott City 2020

October 22 – December 12, 2020

An exhibit featuring artwork created by juried artists during Paint It! Ellicott City, an annual plein air paint-out in historic Ellicott City, Maryland, which was postponed from June to October this year due to COVID-19. Juror: Crystall Moll, award-winning artist and gallery owner.

What Is WATT?

October 22 – December 12, 2020

For this exhibit, artist Sizhu Li transformed the gallery space into an immersive, kinetic installation composed of aluminum sheets, wood, fans, and light bulbs. A Chinese-born multidisciplinary artist based in New York, Sizhu Li employs a unique visual language of immersive kinetic installations to illustrate her understanding of the universe, society, and nature, with influences from both Eastern wisdom and Western philosophy.



What is WATT?, a kinetic installation exhibit by artist Sizhu Li, on display in Gallery II (photo courtesy of the artist)

HoCo Open

January 9 – February 20, 2021

This annual salon-style, non-juried exhibit featured works by artists who live, work, or study in Howard County. Entry was limited to the first 100 eligible artists to submit an online entry form.

Traces

January 16 – February 27, 2021

Traces featured abstract mixed-media artworks by Pennsylvania artists Jeremy Siedt and Will Wolf. Siedt explores the boundaries and potential of corrosive metals in painting while Wolf bridges formal and conceptual concerns in painting through childhood narrative and abstraction.

Youth Art Month—Re-Imagining Boundaries: Persevering in the Time of Covid

March 13 – April 10, 2021

Presented through an ongoing partnership between Howard County Public School System and the Arts Council, this year's Youth Art Month exhibit featured hundreds of works by HCPSS students in grades K-12, selected from public school art classes throughout the county. Inspired by the title theme, students created artwork using a variety of digital media.

No Boundaries: Through My Eyes

March 13 – April 10, 2021

A showcase of artwork by youth and adult artists with developmental disabilities, presented in

partnership with Howard County Recreation and Parks' Department of Therapeutic Recreation and Inclusion Services.

Resident Visual Artists Exhibit 2021

April 24 – May 29, 2021

This annual exhibit featured new work in a range of media by HCAC's resident visual artists—James Adkins, Joan Bevelaqua, Sara Engel, Myungsook Ryu Kim, Diana Marta, Joyce J. Ritter, Lisa Scarbath, Jereme Scott, Andrei Trach, Jamie Travers, Mary Jo Tydlacka, and David Zuccarini.

Interplay

April 24 – May 29, 2021

Interplay featured artwork by local artists Beth Caruso, Kate Norris, Sylvie van Helden, and Bonnie Zuckerman. Working in diverse media—from photography & digital manipulation to collage & ceramics—these artists use symmetry, pattern, and repetition to create intricate pieces inspired by natural motifs.

Paint It! Ellicott City 2021

June 19 – August 7, 2021

An exhibit showcasing artwork created by juried artists during Paint It! Ellicott City, an annual plein air paint-out in historic Ellicott City, Maryland. Juror: Lynn Mehta, award-winning landscape artist.

Natural Formations

June 19 – August 7, 2021

Natural Formations featured photographic works by Thomas Pickarski and Peter Stern, who use the medium of photography to capture the ephemeral beauty and abstract forms created by nature.

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Joan Bevelaqua

Alla Borovskaia (from May 2021) *

Milana Borovskaia (from May 2021) *

Sara Engel

Michelle Faulkner-Forson (from May 2021)

Myungsook Ryu Kim

Arthur Landerman (through November 2020)

Duane Lutsko (through January 2021)

Diana Marta

Joyce J. Ritter

Lisa Scarbath

Jereme Scott

Andrei Trach

Jamie Travers

Mary Jo Tydlacka

David Zuccarini

** Emerging Resident Artist*

Resident Arts Organizations

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Columbia Orchestra

Columbia Pro Cantare

Arts Advancement Organizations

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Baltimore Watercolor Society

Black-Eyed Susan Button Club

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Ballet Mobile

Jayamangala

THE YEAR IN HEADLINES



Artist Nancy Thomas at work during Paint It! Ellicott City 2021 (photo: Merrill Thomas)

With safety protocols, art center reopens

Howard County Times and
Baltimore Sun, July 2020

Celebration of the Arts moves online

Howard County Times, August 2020

Paint It! Ellicott City takes a fall turn

Howard County Times, October 2020

Plein air takes over Ellicott City

Plein Air Magazine, December 2020

Paint It! Ellicott City returns to June

Howard County Times, June 2021

Grant Programs

Howard County Arts Council grants are awarded through a competitive process based on artistic merit, ability of the applicant to carry out the project, and level of service to the community. Grant applications are reviewed by a volunteer advisory panel made up of academics and artists representing a variety of disciplines. The panel's recommendations for grant awards are then reviewed and approved by the HCAC Board of Directors. In FY21, HCAC distributed 62 grants totaling \$685,370 to 41 organizations.

In FY21, grant awards were announced virtually due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

FY21 Artists-in-Education Grantees

Dayton Oaks PTA
Glenwood MS PTA
Ellicott Mills MS PTA
Homewood Center
Longfellow ES PTA
Running Brook ES PTA
Howard County Public School System

FY21 Baltimore City Arts & Cultural Grantees

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

FY21 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

FY21 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
Rep Stage
ShowTime Singers
Silhouette Stages

** Also received Organizational Effectiveness & Equipment Grant*

FY21 Jim Rouse Theatre Subsidy Grantee

Columbia Orchestra

FY21 Creative Howard Grantee

Opus Concert Theatre

FY21 Mark Ryder Original Choreography Grantee

Franki Graham

FY21 HCAC COVID-19 Emergency Relief Grant for Organizations Grantees

Candlelight Concert Society
Columbia Center for Theatrical Arts
Columbia Festival of the Arts
Columbia Orchestra
Columbia Pro Cantare
Howard County Poetry and Literature Society
Kinetics Dance Theatre
ManneqART

FY21 HoCo RISE COVID-19 Emergency Relief Grant for Organizations Grantees

Columbia Center for Theatrical Arts
Columbia Festival of the Arts
Columbia Pro Cantare
Indian Cultural Association
Kinetics Dance Theatre
ManneqART
Misako Ballet Company

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James Adkins
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Denise Jenkins
Myung S. Kim
Charlotte Mann Lee
Van Man
Diana Marta
Kristin Meyer
Joyce J. Ritter
Corey Rush
Lisa Scarbath
Jereme Scott
Andrei Trach
Jamie Travers
Mary Jo Tydlacka
Priya Vadhyar
Johnny Williams
Pamela Woolford
David Zuccarini
Bonnie Zuckerman

FY21 HoCo RISE COVID-19 Relief Fund for Artists Grantees

Bolatito Aderemi-Ibitola
Trudy W. Babchak



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Camellia A. Blackwell
Mary Katherine Foss Brouillet
Tyler Buisch
Geraldine Butler
Coby Kay Callahan
Erin Cassell
Bruce T. Casteel
Alexandra Rose Christoforakis
Galen Clark
Nakeya J. Cook
Jacob Cordell
Nancy S. Davis
Diana Disharoon
Ernest E. Douglas
Dimitri Fantini
Vick Gisin
Moshe Israel Hasson
Joanna Dabrowska Huling
Tae Ho Hwang
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Above: Misako Aoki, founder and artistic director of Misako Ballet, speaks at Howard County Executive Dr. Calvin Ball's September 2020 press conference announcing the HoCo RISE Live Theatre and Artist Relief Funds in support of venues, organizations, and individual artists impacted financially by the COVID-19 pandemic. (photo: Howard County Government)