



**Art City**

**Annual Report  
2023**



**To Dream, To Imagine, To Create.**





**A Space For Art In Every Life.**



## A Message from the Art City Management Team:

In 2023, we celebrated our 25th anniversary. A milestone to be sure, but what does it really mean for an organization dedicated to providing free art experiences (and healthy meals) to have survived and thrived for a quarter century? First and foremost, it means that there is a community, indeed several intersecting communities, that highly value having barrier-free access to high-quality art workshops. Individuals, families, and caregivers who find a sense of belonging in a space that welcomes and encourages everyone to express themselves creatively, regardless of age, ability, cultural or socio-economic background. It is Art City's participants, who keep coming back day after day, year after year, that make our community art studio the idea-rich ecosystem that it has been and continues to be. It is also a testament to the incredible and dedicated staff of artists and volunteers who use their unique skill sets and practices in service of our community. In our 25th year, Art City engaged in a comprehensive community consultation, culminating in a new 3-year strategic plan. The feedback we received from participants, community members, and organizational partners was consistent: "we want more." This is no surprise. Creativity is an essential part of the human experience. It is where all invention and innovation originates from. Art City exists to provide everyone and anyone with the tools, space and support to express their own creativity, which is what we will continue to do for the next 25, 50 or, Wanda willing, 100 years.



HAPPY 25 YEAR'S 



# 2023 PROGRAMMING

## Art City Studio Programming



**Open Studio**  
Windssock Project for the Forks  
Cardboard Fort Fest  
Paintings for the BNC Ice Rink  
Big Fun Games for Snoball  
I Love You Art City Super Valentines Project  
Scrap Wood Birdhouses  
Valentine's World and Collage Cards  
Remote Control Robot Factory  
Open Studio  
ACTV Network: Our own Pretend TV Channel  
Fantasy Land Drawing and Collage Mural  
Build a Furry Friend  
Portraits of Important Women + Kiana's Birthday  
Art City Speedway Boat Float Edition  
Imaginary Groceries  
Mail it to Murphy (Let's Send Artwork to Ireland)  
Stop Motion Animation  
Soapstone Carving with Dave Zachary, the Man of Stone  
Screen Printed T-Shirts  
Pysanky (Ukrainian Easter Eggs) with Anastasia Fyk  
Art City Speedway  
Giant Sized Paper Mache Animals  
Clashing Pattern Paintings  
Open Studio  
Go Team! Volunteer Appreciation Artwork  
Upcycled Fashion with Rhianna Favelle  
Let's Make the Best West Broadway Sculpture  
Peaceful Watercolour Painting  
Drawing and Designing the Art City Parade!  
Art and Decorations for our... Art City 25th Year Celebration Party!  
Peaceful Watercolour Painting  
Giant Parade Floats!  
Silly Parade Floats!  
Costumes! Costumes! Costumes! For our Parade  
Art City Parade!  
Time Lapse Stop Motion Nature Art with Joel Penner  
Let's Draw West Broadway's Beautiful Buildings  
Kids Can Vote  
Every Child Matters: Artwork in Support of Truth and Reconciliation  
Monster Mash-Up with Ilana Pichon  
Build a Furry FIEND

## Art City Studio Programming (continued)

**Giant Sized Jump Scares**  
**Let's Create our own Costumes and Candy Bags**  
**West Broadway Candy Chase**  
**Open Studio**  
**World Peace Dioramas and Stop Motion Animation**  
**Peaceful Watercolour Painting**  
**Laughter is Medicine Stand Up Comedy Stage Set for Nine Circles**  
**Let's Paint a Mural for Pitikwé Skate Park**  
**Let's Make the Best West Broadway Sculpture**  
**Iron-on T-Shirt Designs**  
**Let's Take Care of Each Other West Broadway Banners and Artwork**  
**100 Fun Drawings**  
**Mini Mis en Scene Mixed Media Sets with Natalie Ferguson**  
**Make a Gift for Someone**  
**The Art City Holiday Special**  
**Let's Draw All Over the Wall**  
**Shimby Fun Time**

## Weekly Special Programs

**Film Photography, Ceramics, Digital Art, Drawing Club, Painter's Lab,**  
**ARTsquad, Indigenous Art**

## Art City Outside - July/August

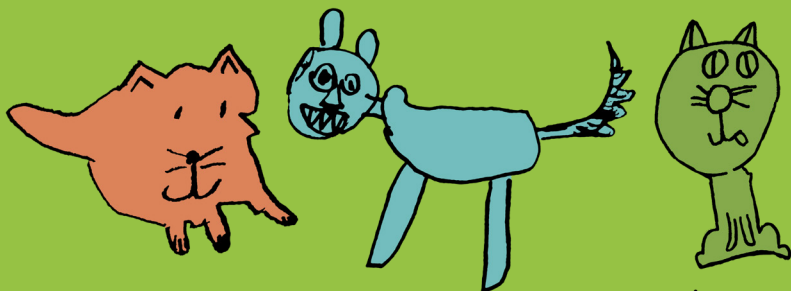


**Hats, Banners, and Park Art**  
**Spirit Park Sculpture Design with Marie Seno**  
**Forest Forage Fort**  
**Indian Dance and Art with Shivani Joshi**  
**Clay Bakery with Solange Roy**  
**Peaceful Watercolour Painting**  
**Field Trip to the Winnipeg Fringe Festival**  
**Michif Language Stories and Worlds with Mira**  
**Glazing Clay Bakery with Solange Roy**  
**Giant Size Collage with ARTsquad**  
**Field Trip to the Zoo, Assiniboine Park, and the Leaf**  
**Eco Sculptures and Dioramas**  
**Acrylic Painting on Canvas and Wood**  
**West Broadway Park: Sculptures, Murals, and Signs with Marie Seno**  
**One Trunk Theatre Presents: Saplings**  
**Kite Flight**  
**Boat Float**  
**Printmaking Personal Mythologies with Makoto Chi and beyon wren moor**  
**Textile Team-up with ARTsquad**  
**Community Consultation Party**  
**Puppets**  
**Talent Show Prep**  
**Improv with Riva Billows**  
**Talent Show!**

# 2023 PROGRAMMING CONTINUED

## Indigenous Art Program

Bannock on a Stick for Snoball  
Harvesting and Tanning a Coyote with Lana Sinclair  
Pinch Pot Smudge Bowls  
Combing and Brushing a Coyote Hide with Lana Sinclair  
Giant Sized Seven Sacred Teachings Mural  
Indigenizing the Sims  
Glazing Pinch Pot Smudge Bowls  
Springtime Floral Painting  
Spirit Park Plywood Paintings  
Parade Banners and Signs  
Medicine Sock Stuffies  
Dream Catchers  
Super Fancy Shawl  
Leather Jewelry  
Strawberry Day  
Beading  
Nature Walk with Jenna Vandal  
Spooky Bannock  
Make the Candy Chase Monster  
Dream Catchers  
Medicine Bags  
Beading  
Painting on Canvas  
Field Trip to Pitikwé Skate Park  
Make a Gift for Someone  
Pinch Pot Smudge Bowls







## **ARTsquad**

**Mask Making**  
**Open Studio**  
**Building a Hot Chocolate Stand for Snoball**  
**Snoball**  
**Making Valentine's Day Cards with Et Bon Voyage**  
**Time Capsule**  
**Watercolour Painting**  
**Mini Skateboard Park**  
**Sculpey**  
**April Fool's Prank Quest**  
**Pysanky**  
**Wire Sculptures**  
**Building Stretchers and Stretching Canvases**  
**Self Portraits**  
**Stop-motion and 2-D Animation**  
**Ceramics**  
**Helping the Art City Outside Guest Artists**  
**Memes and Temporary Tattoos**  
**Painting the Summer Mural**  
**Glazing Ceramics**  
**Eco Graffiti**  
**Field Trip to the Forks**  
**Collage + Zines**  
**Papermaking**  
**Puppets**  
**Book Binding**  
**Photoshop**  
**Screen Printed Shirts**  
**Knitting + Crochet**  
**Needle Felting**  
**Embroidery**  
**Improv**  
**Talent Show**  
**Field Trip to Grand Prix**  
**"Zombie Squad" Prep for Art City Candy Chase**  
**Screen printing masks for Outreach Workshops**  
**Pitikwé Mural Planning & Painting**  
**Gift Making**  
**Holiday Party & Art Gift Exchange**



**"I don't know what it is about this place but it's just amazing, its so special and it makes me feel so happy"**

**- Gibson**

**"I want to come here everyday!"**

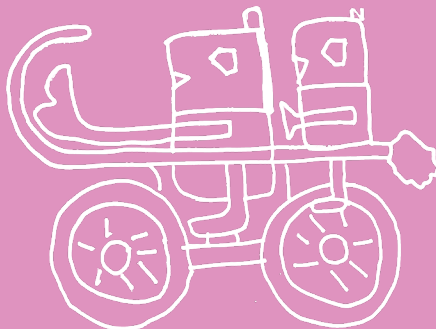
**- Timofee**

**"Everything they do around here is magic"**

**- Denise**

**"Art City is so special because you can make mistakes and just keep going"**

**- Mandalyn**





## 2023 Weekly Outreach Partners

1. Acorn Family Place
2. Bord-Aire Community Club
3. Deer Lodge Community Centre
4. Elwick Village & Resource Centre
5. Fort Rouge Child Care
6. Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization of Manitoba, Ellen Location
7. Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization of Manitoba, Isabel Location
8. Spence Neighbourhood Association/Magnus Eliason Recreation Centre
9. Plessis Family Dynamics Community Resource Centre
10. Sister MacNamara BGC Winnipeg
11. 1JustCity - St. Matthew's/Maryland Community Ministry
12. 1JustCity - The Oak Table



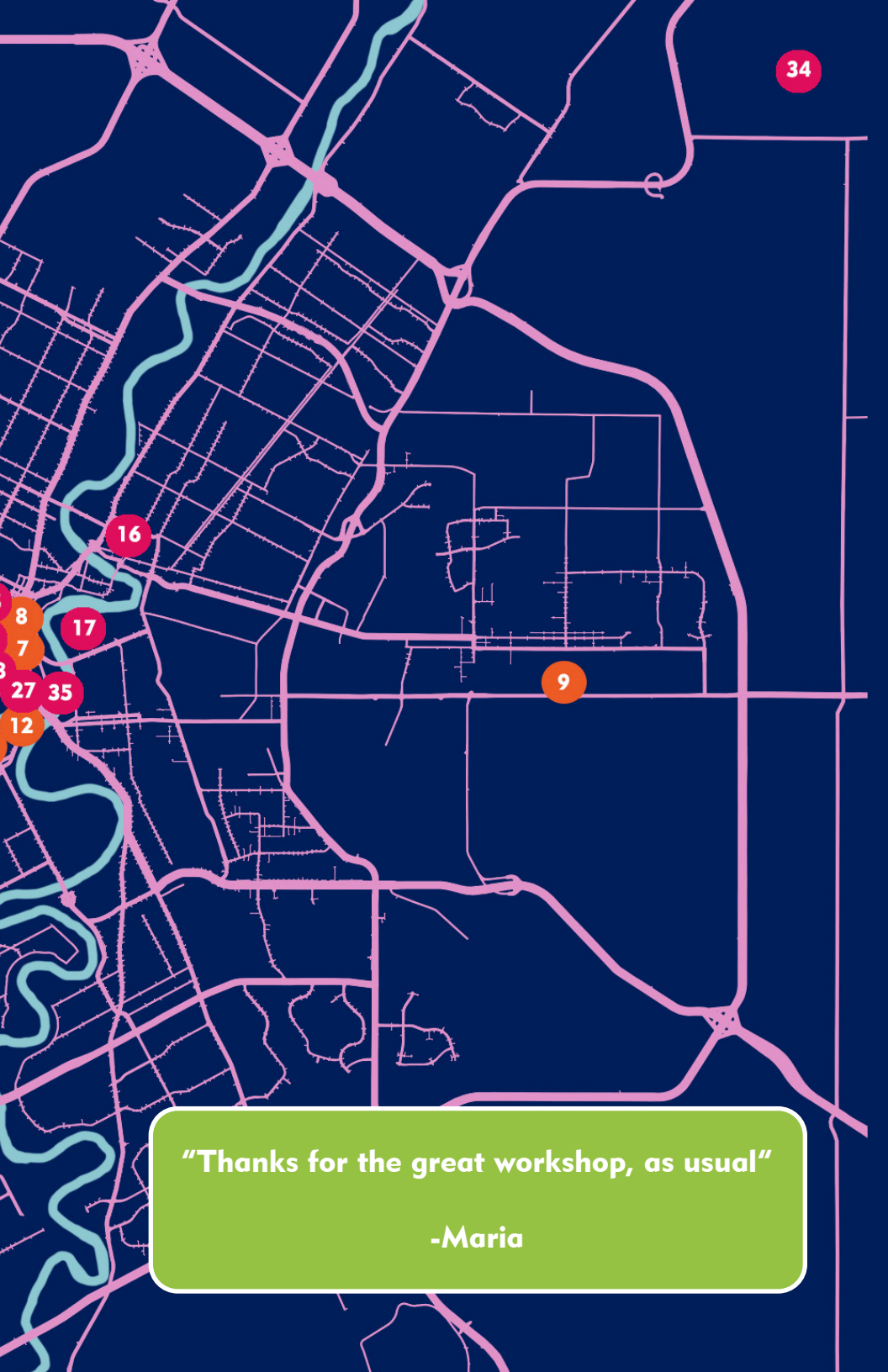
## 2023 Other Outreach Partners

13. APTN (Aboriginal Peoples Television Network)  
Indigenous Peoples Day Live
14. Assiniboine Zoo
15. Cabin Fever/Winnipeg Film Group
16. CAMI (Columbian Alliance in Manitoba)
17. Festival du Voyageur
18. Green Action Centre
19. Greenway School/Evermore
20. Harrow Co-op Children's Centre
21. Macdonald Headingley Recreation District - LaSalle
22. John M. King/Evermore
23. Klinik
24. Manitoba Legislative Open House
25. National Child Day/Manitoba Advocate for Children  
and Youth
26. Rehabilitation Centre for Children - LIFE Camp
27. Superfun Show
28. TERF/New Directions
29. Tuxedo Family Dynamics
30. Vision Quest
31. We Rock Camp
32. Wellington School/Evermore
33. West Central Women's Resource Centre
34. Winnipeg Folk Festival
35. Winnipeg Pride - Pride Festival
36. Winnipeg School Division/Mulvey School

"I like the opportunities Art City gives us to learn art practices we don't even know about"

- Sam





**“Thanks for the great workshop, as usual”**  
**-Maria**

# ART CITY STAFF

## MANAGEMENT TEAM

Eddie Ayoub, Artistic Director  
Josh Ruth, Managing Director  
Erica Jacobson, Outreach Programs Manager  
Albyn Carias, Studio Programs Manager  
Gabrille Funk, Managerial Assistant (to September 2023)  
Hanna Reimer, Managerial Assistant (as of September 2023)  
Erin Josephson-Laidlaw, Office Administrator



## WORKSHOP FACILITATORS

Ted Barker	Zara Haque	Remi Olusoga
Hami Behgar	Euncho Ko	Ron Perez
Kelly Campbell	Justin Bear L'Arrivee	Carmen Ponto
Vanessa Eidse	Sadie Lavoie	Hanna Reimer
Kiana Fontaine	Posy Legge	Tobin Rowland
Toby Gillies	Sarah Michaelson	Sadaf Saberi
Margaret Glavina	Brent Mitchell	Talula Schlegel
Christina Hajjar	Mariana Muñoz Gomez	Marly Wesley



## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Wanda Koop, Founder & Honourary Chair  
Shirley Martens, Chair & Treasurer  
Elizabeth Schwersensky, Vice-Chair  
Diane Lafournaise, Secretary (up to June 2023)  
Jacqueline Boily  
Tania Canas  
Jen Kirkwood  
Silantoi Kisoso  
Monique Lysak  
Sonia Prevost-Derbecker



## PROGRAM ASSISTANTS (Youth Mentees)

Agatha Blanco  
Maia-Star Johnson-Hallem  
Shaniece Leask  
Shay Picard  
Farkhonda Saberi



## FOOD SERVICES COORDINATOR

Cato Cormier



## SPECIAL PROGRAMS INSTRUCTORS

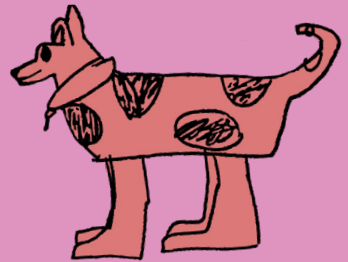
Natalie Baird, Film Photography  
Kiana Fontaine, Indigenous Art  
Margaret Glavina, Drawing Club & Ceramics (as of April 2023)  
Justin Bear L'Arrivee, Indigenous Art & Digital Art (to Feb 2023)  
Elise Nadeau, Ceramics (to April 2023)  
Hanna Reimer, ARTsquad (to September 2023)  
Talula Schlegel, Digital Art (to September 2023) & ARTsquad

## GUEST ARTIST RESIDENCIES

Natalie Ferguson (Los Angeles)  
Shivani Joshi (Toronto)  
Joel Penner (Winnipeg)  
Ilana Pichon (Montreal)  
beyon wren moor & Makoto Chi (Massechusetts)

## COMMUNITY GUEST ARTISTS

Riva Billows  
Rhianne Favelle  
Anastasia Fyk  
Mira Kolodka  
Cadence Planthara  
Farid Saberi  
Marie Seno  
Lana Sinclair  
Solange Roy  
Dave Zachary



**"I was thoroughly impressed with how much community collaboration they have participated in, and I felt that Art City has a holistic understanding of what their community needs. They are empathetic and caring towards all the participants, and I can see that long-term relationships with community partners and participants has made such a huge difference for the people who come each day."**

**Shivani Joshi (Toronto)**

**"It's a place of exchange, teeming with ideas, curious and creative people, materials, and possibilities of all kinds... it's like joining a big family for a week and doing activities together. There's a kind of synergy that we're all comfortable with."**

**Ilana Pichon (Montreal)**



## **PARTNERSHIPS**

1JustCity

Bear Clan Patrol

Broadway Neighbourhood Centre

Et Bon Voyage/Satomi Tozawa

First Nations Family Advocate Office

Folklorama

Klinic

Nine Circles Community Health Centre

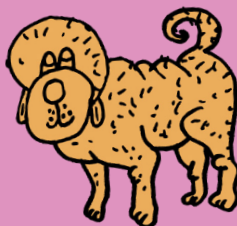
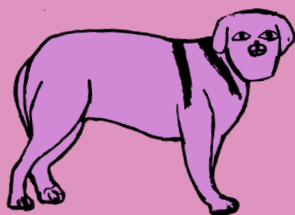
One Trunk Theatre

School of Art Gallery/University of Manitoba

The Forks

West Broadway Community Organization

West Broadway Huddle



# A Message to our Beloved Volunteers:

All of us in the Art City family know the hard work that is required of our team of volunteers and we see how they always step up to the challenge, dedicating days, weeks, and months to enrich our community and work towards our shared goal: A Space for Art in Every Life. This includes our amazing Board of Directors! A whopping 88 individual volunteers offered their skills, compassion, knowledge, and time to Art City in 2023. That's incredible! The team displayed a diverse background of expertise and cultural knowledge, from education to computer engineering, running the gamut of knowledge that showed our participants that experience in most anything can be channelled into making art, in all of its forms. Without the Art City volunteers, we simply could not do the work that we do. They share their hearts in the form of giving knowledge, creating bonds and assisting participants; cleaning up the studio after a messy workshop (Art City has always had the most beautiful dust piles after sweeping the floor, always displaying artefacts of the workshop); skillfully preparing delicious healthy meals; and jumping into action during special events like the fundraising party and the parade. From the bottom of our hearts, to the fullness of yours - thank you.





## Our 2023 Volunteers

Ahaanna Prashar	Grace Reimer	Micaela Stokes
Alana Macdougall	Hamideh Behgar	Michael Litwin
Alena Ruggles	Heather Ferguson	Neda Masoomifar
Alexis L-Grisé	Isa Santianez	Nerfertiti Onyiuke
Alexandra Demers	Jasmine Moran	Niki Saghari
Allisha Horvath	Jeremy Kuzemchak	Pam Kirkpatrick
Amy Monias	Joana Picoto	Pat Palanuk
Amy Sanford	Jonathan Dyck	Peggy Harvey
Amy-Leigh Gray	Kai Price	Sam Sawazki
Andria Langi	Kaitlin Klassen	Ralf Sawazki
April Blackbird	Karen Powers	Rhianne Favelled
Audrey Friesen	Karlee Kiesman	Riva Billows
Aynslie Hinds	Katie Godfrey	Robert Wilson
Aziza Kosmin-Rose	Katie Green	Ruby Rain
Carl Von Baeyer	Keely Moore	Sandra Smith
Cherry Wang	Kianna Durston	Sarah Jacobson
Chris Brooks	Kira Lipkovsky	Seraphine Rosebud
Christina Thomson	Kristen Braun	Skye Callow
Cormack Norberg	Lainy P.	Sonal Kaur
Courtney Myron	Lasha Mowchun	Sophia Garrett
Dana Inglis	Leanne Foley	Tal Gabor
Debby Lake	Lisa Ayow	Tamiko Kavanagh
Denise Bernard	Lise Labelle	Tessa Wiwchar
Dhasni Muthumuni	Lola Ruiz Castañeda	Tunmininu Ogunniyi
Dominique Campbell	Mahalia Lepage	Vandana Arya
Ellen Begal	Mary Alice Osbor	Wongyun Lee
Emily Anderson	Michael Castro	Yana Voitseknivska
Emily Czaplinski	Mini Arya	Yu Jin Kim
Emma Berg	Meadow Chaput	Yuliia Khudina
Faith Dimen		



# 2023 FUNDERS



## CORE FUNDING

**City of Winnipeg (Operating)**  
**Manitoba Arts Council (Operating)**  
**United Way Winnipeg**  
**Graham C. Lount Foundation**

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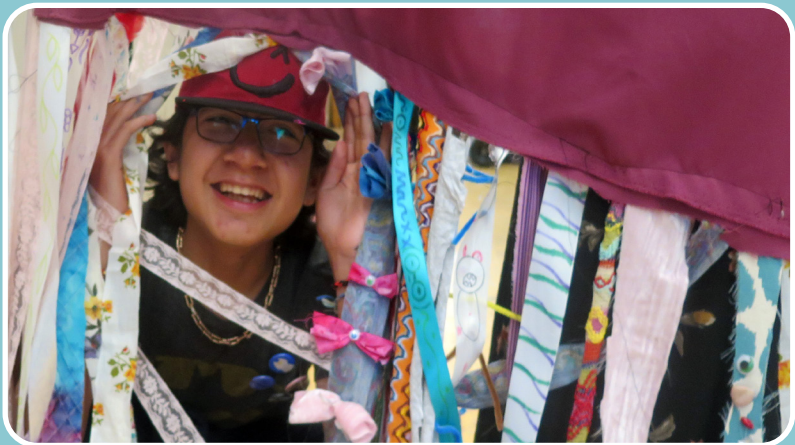
**Community Grants (Art Initiatives)**

## PROVINCE OF MANITOBA

**Urban Green Team**  
**Community Development Program**  
**West Broadway Community Organization**  
**Manitoba Arts Council (Artists in Community)**

## GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

**Canada Council for the Arts**  
**Canadian Red Cross (Community Services Recovery Fund)**





## **CORPORATE DONORS**

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## **FOUNDATIONS**

**Alan and Doreen Thompson Charitable Foundation  
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J and K Knowles Foundation  
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Loewen Foundation  
Siobhan Richardson Foundation  
Suchay Gossen Foundation  
Richardson Foundation  
United Way  
Whitestone Foundation  
Winnipeg Foundation  
(Camps & Summer Programming Grant, Community Grant, Growing Active Kids, Nourishing Potential, Organizational Development, Summer Internship Program)**



## **ENDOWMENT**

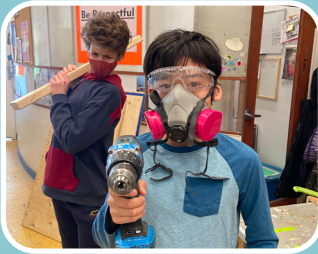
**Art City Endowment Fund  
Arnold Leventhal Fund**

## **MEMBERSHIPS**

**Artist Run Centers and Collectives Conference (ARCA)  
Manitoba Artist Run Centres Coalition (MARCC)  
SnoBall Winter Carnival Committee  
West Broadway Director's Network**

**5,103**  
Individuals Served  
(Individual Participants)

**14,583**  
Number Of Visits  
(In-person Free Art Experiences)



Individuals By Age Range

0-29	<b>3,836</b>
30-54	<b>1,026</b>
55+	<b>241</b>

Hours from Each Program

Studio Programs **1,312**

Special Programs **1,408**

Outreach Programs **684**



**3,403 hours**

Total hours of programming  
open to the public annually



# FINANCIAL REPORT 2023

## REVENUE

<b>Grant Revenue</b>	\$615,864
<b>Individual Donations</b>	\$78,297
<b>Outreach Workshops</b>	\$60,549
<b>Amortization of deferred capital contributions</b>	\$13,776
<b>Fundraising revenue</b>	\$93,880
<b>Other</b>	\$8,847
<b>Interest</b>	\$6,438

## EXPENSES

<b>Programming and Supplies</b>	\$62,245
(Equipment rental, Program supplies, Promotions, Storage, Travel)	
<b>Guest Artist Expenses</b>	\$26,505
<b>Wages and Benefits</b>	\$661,676
<b>Staff Training and Development</b>	\$16,722
<b>Volunteer Expenses</b>	\$2,640
<b>Professional fees</b>	\$43,958
<b>Hospitality</b>	\$8,594
<b>Fundraising Events</b>	\$58,129
<b>Repairs and Maintenance</b>	\$17,694
<b>Administration</b>	\$25,564
(Building and administrative expenses, Insurance, Interest and bank charges, Security, Telephone, fax, internet)	
<b>Amortization of Capital Assets</b>	\$18,220

<b>Total Revenue</b>	\$877,651
<b>Total Expenses</b>	\$941,947
<b>2023 Balance</b>	(\$64,296)

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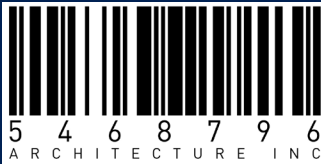
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