Together We Art!

Dear Friends of the Arts,

We are thrilled about what all your support has accomplished this year. Allied Arts of Whatcom County has presented over 325 programs, classes, exhibits and events that were enjoyed by over 50,000 participants. The diversity of these activities ranged from a Skill Building Workshop on writing artist statements to Lummi Nation influenced rap performances at our Cultural Arts Festival.

You, our members and community,... created, watched, learned, taught and explored: 174 art sessions in our schools, 4 festivals featuring over 164 artists and arts organizations, 23 exhibits throughout the county exhibiting over 690 works by local artists and more!

All of these opportunities were made possible through your generous support and patronage. We look forward to bringing you another year of exciting and diverse programs. Thank you for your contributions as participants, teachers, volunteers, patrons, students, donors and friends.

With much gratitude and warm wishes,
Kelly Hart
Executive Director

P.S. Great care has been taken to review the membership list for accuracy. If you see an error or omission, please accept our apologies, and let us know so we can correct it.

Current 2018 Staff, Volunteers & Board

We would like to thank the hundreds of interns, volunteers, board members and staff that have helped at our events and festivals:

Staff: On-going Volunteers: Board of Directors

Kelly Hart: Executive Director
Amanda Tyler: Program Assistant

Katy Tolle: Artists Services Coordinator
Jena Curry: Program Assistant

Judy Taylor: Bookkeeping
Colleen Harper

Wendy Jones: Program Assistant
Scott Ward

Corina Potts, Sara Pisano, Janis Conn
Rachel Simpson

Save the Dates for these Upcoming Events

- Bellingham SeaFeast
  Fri. & Sat., Sept. 21 & 22, 2018
- Holiday Festival of the Arts
  Nov. 16 - Dec. 24, 2018
- Recycled Arts Resource Expo (RARE)
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  Fri. & Sat., April 5 & 6, 2019
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  Opening the 1st Friday of each month
- Art Supply Thrift Store: Selling gently used art supplies and/or artist's seconds.

- Children's Art Walk: Each May, Downtown Bellingham celebrates our local youth.

- Whatcom Cultural Arts Festival: Allied Arts' newest event, celebrating the diverse cultures of our community.

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- Art as Business Skill Share Presentations: Help inspire creative souls in ways to profit from their art.

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- Whatcom Arts and Culture Guide: A yearly listing and map of open studios, galleries, museums, performance venues and cultural offerings in our region.

- Advocating for the Arts: Promoting the arts on a local, statewide and federal level.

- Internship and Volunteer Opportunities: Program based skill building projects for all ages and experience levels that help to make our programs possible.

Allied Arts - Opportunities in the Arts

Allied Arts is addressing the needs of our artists and is hoping to offer more opportunities to expand our organization to help them better. Here is a list of great programming and projects we are working on for 2018-19

- Arts Education Program: A multifaceted approach providing teacher training, all-school public art programs and high quality intensive standards based arts education.

- Exhibit Series: Our gallery series consists of themed exhibits and curated juried shows as well as exhibits in other local venues.

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The Art Education Project focused on expanding opportunities for quality art education to Whatcom County students aligning curriculum with art related state standards to aid in the learning of core subject matter.

A new addition last year, our program conducted workshops led by artists in visual arts, dance, theatre and literature in public schools. New last year was our fifth grade program. All fifth grade classes in Bellingham Public Schools received 12 hours of art classes.

The project continues to support our community by helping develop equal access to arts education programs. Additionally, throughout the month of May, we host the Children’s Art Walk which provides children with a chance to display their works of art throughout downtown Bellingham!

165 Volunteers
18 Teaching Artists
174 Art Sessions Taught
21 Participating Schools
8,086 Young Served