March 5, 2021

Dear Jazmine,

One year ago, when the shelter in place was ordered, we probably all thought it would be for a few weeks at most, but here it is, almost one year later. There has been so much loss over the past year and our hearts go out to those who have lost loved ones or are currently struggling due to the pandemic. I was just on a call with some of our local county partners discussing our challenges during the past year, and how we must focus on recovery for our community. The arts have been devastated, so we hope you will support the recovery by visiting your local museums, galleries and theaters, and attend some festivals and concerts, once it's safe. In the meantime, please consider a donation to your favorite arts organization in Monterey County. Every little bit helps keep the lights on and to maintain a strong cultural community.

This month we have opened two grant opportunities including the Arts and Cultural Impact Grants and the Local Emerging Artists Program (LEAP), plus our College Arts Scholarships are open for graduating high school seniors who plan to pursue a degree in a creative field. We also have an Artist Spotlight on March 10th focused on local artist Jennifer Colby, who will speak on capturing women's stories through art.

And of course, we are gearing up for our 16th annual Champions of the Arts, which will be a virtual event on May 6th at 6pm. Please save the date and join us for an exciting hour of entertainment, special guest appearances and more!

You can always learn more when you visit www.arts4mc.org

Warm regards,

Jacquie
Jacquie Atchison, Executive Director
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The Arts Council for Monterey County cordially invites you to

Champions of the Arts
A Virtual Fundraiser for the Arts
Thursday, May 6, 2021 6:00 PM

Join us for an entertaining hour of special performances, guest stars and a few surprises, from the comfort of your home!

Register today at www.Arts4MC.org/Champions

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Artist Spotlight

Tune in as we learn how Dr. Jennifer Colby is capturing women's stories with paint and collage!

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 2021 | 12:00 P.M.
LIVE PRESENTATION AT
WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/ARTSMONTEREY

VISIT ARTS4MC.ORG FOR LINK TO PRESENTATION
Turn Your Empty Spaces into a Vibrant Art Exhibit

Contact us for pricing today!

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College Arts Scholarships!

College Arts Scholarships Available for Monterey County High School Seniors

The Arts Council for Monterey County will award up to seven $2,500 scholarships to graduating high school seniors pursuing a higher learning degree in an arts field. A college program gives artists vital access to training & professional mentors, as well as knowledge & skills in business, marketing and production.

Questions? Contact Klara Hickmanova at klara@arts4mc.org or call 831-622-9060 ext. 103

DEADLINE: MARCH 25, 2021 @ 11:59PM

For more information visit arts4mc.org/scholarships
LEAP GRANTS NOW OPEN!

The Local Emerging Artists Program (LEAP) provides a financial stipend up to $2,500 to selected artists in the early stages of their career who demonstrate that this support will make a big impact on their work and on our community.

DEADLINE: APRIL 15, 2021 AT 11:59PM

VISIT ARTS4MC.ORG/GRANTS/LEAP FOR MORE GRANT INFORMATION

ARTS & CULTURAL IMPACT GRANTS

Arts and Cultural Impact Grants are available to nonprofit organizations seeking support for public arts and culture projects/programs up to $5,000 per year.

We have two cycles for this grant program - Spring and Fall. Organizations may only receive one grant per year and must have completed their previous grant’s final report before submitting a new application.

DEADLINE: MAY 10, 2021 AT 11:59PM

Visit our website: arts4mc.org/grants for more grant information.

Thanks to the support of Monterey County!
The Arts are Essential for Student Success & Healing

SCHEDULING OPEN for Spring/Summer 2021 ARTS EDUCATION CLASSES

Online and in-person arts education classes available for K-12 students at your school site and/or organization. Students study with our professional teaching artists to build creative thinking skills, benefit from creative play & support student wellness.

For more information, contact our Programs Director, Karyn Lee-Garcia, at karyn@arts4mc.org or 831-622-9060 ext 102.
Support local artists by purchasing an original piece of art. Visit our online gallery to browse and make your purchase [arts4mc.org/art4sale](http://arts4mc.org/art4sale).

If you are a local artist and would like to be considered to have your work represented, please contact Klara Hickmanova at 831-622-9060 x103 or klara@arts4mc.org
Get to know Artist Bryan Katz

Bryan has been a painter since his twenties. He has been moving from illustration to painting, primarily with acrylics. In the past year, Bryan has taken up oils and now completely switched to the oil medium. He is drawn to the interplay of line and color as they express emotion, personality and the essence of what makes us human. Bryan wants the viewer to be pulled into the painting the way the subject pulled him in.
Do you need support creating a successful grant proposal? Watch our 3-part video series, Grant Writing for Success$, to answer your grant writing questions - click here.

The Legacy Circle

With the stroke of a pen, YOU can ensure the future of community arts programs in Monterey County!

For more information on how you can support the arts for future generations, contact Bella Hockersmith, Development Director at 831-622-9060 x108 or bella@arts4mc.org.

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