Dear Friend of the Arts,

While we continue to recognize March as Arts Education Month, the Arts Council continues to advocate for equitable arts education for all our students.

Students with an arts education are 5 times less likely to drop out of school and 4 times more likely to receive a bachelor's degree. Don't we want all our students to have this opportunity to succeed?

With your support we can reach more local students with our Arts Education programs, and it’s easy to do by clicking here.

Wishing you a restful weekend!

Warmly,

Jacquie Atchison
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**2022 CHAMPIONS OF THE ARTS™ Awardees**

The Arts Council for Monterey County (Arts4MC) is pleased to announce our 17th Annual Champions of the Arts™ Fundraising Gala to be held at the Monterey Marriott on Saturday, June 18, 2022 at 5:00 pm.

- Early bird ticket for $195 until April 29, 2022
- Tables of 10 for $1950

Tickets are now on sale at arts4mc.org/champions. You won't want to miss this!
We are celebrating National Poetry Month in a BIG way! Please join the Arts Council Monterey County and Downtown Book & Sound in partnership with Bookshop.org and We Need Diverse Books for an amazing book drive!

We want to provide copies of Amanda Gorman's poetry books to every school library in Monterey County and you can help by donating a book or 10! Visit https://Bookshop.org/amandagorman to donate a poetry book today and get more students into poetry!
Are you interested in becoming a teaching artist to supplement your work in the industry? We have immediate openings for part-time visual and performing arts teachers for after-school programming in Salinas middle schools. Salary range is from $35-$50/per hour.

Please submit a cover letter, resume, lesson plan sample and examples of student projects to Karyn Lee-Garcia, Programs Director, to karyn@arts4mc.org with subject line “Teaching Artist”. The position is open until filled.

Programs Director Karyn Lee-Garcia joined Dance Department students at Carmel High School today for tons of fun talking about dance! Arts4MC loves connecting our local youth with exciting opportunities to learn and grow through the arts.
The Arts Council for Monterey County will award $2,500 scholarships to graduating high school seniors pursuing a higher learning degree in an arts field.

**ELIGIBILITY:**
- Resident of Monterey County
- High School Senior, graduating class of 2022
- Transcript showing a 2.0 GPA or above

**DEADLINE:**
April 3, 2022 at 11:59 pm

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 17, 2022 at 11:59 pm

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, 2022 at 11:59 pm

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**Arts4MC Programs**

- [Art4Business Program](#)
- [Buy Local Art through Art4Sale](#)
- [Professional Artists in the School Program](#)
Events/Happenings

March 5th-26th: **Thinking Out Loud Regional Art Competition**
March 18th-20th: **La Sylphide at Robert Stanton Theatre**
March 19th: **Sol Treasures: Learn How To Paint with Artist Brenda Scottrini-Saglio**
March 26th: **Carl Cherry Center's Thinking Out Loud Regional Art Competition**
April 3rd: **Poet Laureate Daniel B. Summerhill at SandBox**
April 8th: **Author Event Feat. Poet Laureate Daniel B. Summerhill**
April 16th: **Women’s Night Out at the Monterey Symphony**
May 7th: **Robert Campbell Monterey County High School Poetry Awards**

Grants & Scholarships

Deadline: June 30th: **Monterey County Small Business Revolving Loan Fund**
Ongoing: **Free Video Tutorial Grant Writing for Succe$$**

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Our monthly donors ensure we can continue our work to help the arts thrive in Monterey County!

Join a community of people who believe art has the power to change lives for the better.

[Website Link]

THE LEGACY CIRCLE

Support the arts in Monterey County for future generations!

If the arts have made a difference in your life, you might be the perfect candidate for a legacy gift.

[Website Link]

For more information or to change lives through the arts, it's as easy as contacting Bella Hockersmith, Development Director at 831-622-9060 x108 or bella@arts4mc.org.

Thank you to the County of Monterey and the Board of Supervisors for the ongoing support of the Arts Council for Monterey County’s efforts to strengthen and broaden the County’s economic base.