



"Building Upon" by MJ Lindo-Lawyer & Joshua Lawyer

# 2022-2023 ANNUAL REPORT



Left and Right "Under Passageway" by Timothy Robert Smith. Center "Building Upon" by MJ Lindo-Lawyer & Joshua Lawyer



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# LETTER TO THE COMMUNITY

Looking back from last July, I see numerous accomplishments, tremendous growth, and a beautifully diverse community of artists and art organizations all working in support of each other and the arts. This support is essential as we all face the joys and challenges that life brings our way. It was not long ago that the entire world was shut down, and our lives were turned upside down. Many are still dealing with the trauma developed during that time, which is only now surfacing. Or we find ourselves facing entirely new challenges to overcome. Regardless of our circumstances, race, gender, or age, art has the power to help us process our emotions, release our pain, and share our joy, even when words fail us.

As Arts4MC strives to enrich the lives of everyone in our region through art, I am especially proud of how our Arts Education programs have grown, particularly Arts4Healing, previously known as Arts as Healing. Our teaching artists work with students and community members of all ages and backgrounds, using various artistic disciplines to provide an outlet for expression, prevention, treatment, and healing. Art has the power to transform lives, and it should be accessible to everyone.

With that in mind, earlier this year, we underwent a rebranding effort. Our new logo is welcoming, friendly, and vibrant. Arts4MC is for everyone, from the youngest children who participate in our art activities at community events to seniors who learn to paint or enjoy music performances through one of our specialized programs. In the following pages you will see how we work to Nurture, Support, and Promote the Arts in our county. Art is for everyone, and we will continue to do our best to make it so.

Let's celebrate the power of art to unite and transform us all!



**Jacquie Atchison**  
Executive Director, Arts4MC



# ABOUT ARTS4MC



## CORE VALUES

INTEGRITY & DIVERSITY  
LEADERSHIP  
PASSION  
COLLABORATION  
EDUCATION

## MISSION

To improve the quality of life for everyone in our region through the arts.

## VISION

To promote Monterey County as one of the most vibrant places in the world to live, work and visit, powered by dynamic and welcoming arts and cultural sectors.

## WHAT WE DO



# 2022 - 2023 HIGHLIGHTS

Mural by Brenda Saglio, Soledad - Mission Recreation District

**\$95,000**

Individual Artist Grants Awarded

**6,000**

Instructional hours in the Arts

**\$27,500**

Awarded in scholarships

**6**

School & community murals

## POETRY OUT LOUD

17 students from 11 local high schools participated. Winner, Karina Torres of North Monterey County High School was selected to compete statewide.

First art exhibit installation at the MC Health Department since 2019. Additional public art installations and José Ortiz stairwell mural at the Government Center.

## COUNTY PUBLIC ART

## BUSINESSWORKS

Arts4MC coordinated community workshop with artists of the CalTrans Clean CA Beautification Project on Planning & Proposing Large-Scale mural projects.

After dozens of applicants, Mahi Shah of Notre Dame High School was selected as the inaugural Monterey County Youth Poet Laureate.

## YOUTH POET LAUREUTE

## PAS EXPANSION

Increased Professional Artists in the Schools (PAS) teaching hours with over eight new and returning schools and organizational partnerships for the school year.

Arts4MC awarded eleven \$2,500 scholarships to graduating high school seniors pursuing a higher learning degree in the arts.

## COLLEGE ARTS SCHOLARSHIPS

## ARTS & ECONOMIC PROSPERITY SURVEY

Arts4MC collected 800 surveys for Americans for the Arts Economic Impact Report, at grantee and community events.

# NURTURING



## Growing and Developing the Arts

Arts4MC nurtures the arts by ensuring that everyone can experience its benefits. Removing barriers and increasing accessibility makes a world of difference.

We bring professional teaching artists to schools and provide Arts4Healing classes to community programs.

Each of these students can now grow their creativity lifelong.

**Art And About**  
Meals on Wheels SV  
Salinas & South County



**Road to Success**  
Sun Street Centers  
King City



**Painting Hope**  
Set Free Monterey Bay  
Undisclosed



**Artful Expression**  
CHISPA  
Marina and Salinas



**JumpStArt**  
Juvenile Hall  
Salinas



**Artistic Creation**  
Rancho Cielo  
Salinas



**Musical Serenade**  
Al & Friends  
Monterey



ARTS  
EDUCATION  
HEALING

Mural by Bryan Perez-Lustre, Sun Street Centers in King City

## PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT

Set Free Monterey Bay

Our residential program is a healing sanctuary for survivors of sex trafficking. Residents are engaged in a variety of classes offering skills and coping mechanisms to rebuild their lives after exploitation. In one of their weekly classes, the residents get to work with Jess Ansberry to create beautiful art as a means of healing.

**-Ashley Chesney, Executive Director Set Free Monterey Bay**

# THE ARTS



PROFESSIONAL  
ARTISTS  
IN THE  
SCHOOLS\*



- Alisal Unified School District
- Carmel Unified School District
- Graves Elementary School District
- Greenfield School District
- Lagunita School District
- Monterey Peninsula Unified School District
- North Monterey County School District
- Salinas City Elementary School District
- Salinas Union High School District
- Soledad Unified School District

## At A Glance

**115**  
Art kits  
Distributed

**25**  
Schools &  
Community  
PAS partners

**92**  
Arts Education &  
Arts4Healing  
programs held

\*Also includes private and charter schools not part of a school district.

“Through the transformative power of art, survivors of sex trafficking find not only solace but strength. The Arts4Healing program at Set Free Monterey Bay becomes a canvas of hope, where the colors of resilience and creativity blend to paint a brighter future.”

-Patricia Skinner, Arts4MC Donor regarding Set Free Monterey Bay Arts4Healing program

# SUPPORTING

Mural by Bryan Gage, Boys & Girls Clubs of Monterey County



## Resources to Help Art Thrive

Arts4MC brings in federal, state, and local resources to grow our local arts community.

We offer financial aid through grants and scholarships to community nonprofits and artists. We also provide educational opportunities to help art businesses thrive, and create affordable spaces for artists to practice their craft.

By supporting the arts, we can create a more successful and vibrant community for everyone in Monterey County.



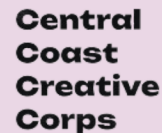
Affordable Studios & Gallery space for working artists.



Free professional development workshop series for artists, cultural nonprofits, and community members.



\$2,500 scholarships awarded to 11 students pursuing a degree in creative fields.



Acting project manager and liaison for local recipients of this state art grant (\$420,000 awarded).



State Local Partner (SLP) for CAC. Bringing arts funding to Monterey County.



Official arts agency of the County of Monterey since 1985. Bringing local funding to arts agencies.



# THE ARTS



**Visual Artists:** Juan Carlos Gonzalez (D1), Joe Angel-Toledo (D1), Katie Raquel (D1), Andrew Jackson (D2), Salvador Sergio Lua (D2), Darlene Von Maschmeyer (D2), Lee Abellana (D2), Katie Herzog (D3), Katrina Pura (D3), Hanif Panni (D4), Jess Marie Soriano (D4), Victoria Donahue (D4), Lori Bala (D4), Edward Corpus (D4), Jessica Bover (D5), Noelle Correia (D5), Mai Ryuno (D5)

**Performing Artists:** Omar Rodriguez (D2), Michelle Djokic (D4), Alejandro Gomez (D4), Antoine Cameron (D4)

**Digital Artist:** Mark Baer (D5)

INDIVIDUAL  
ARTIST  
GRANTS

**District 1:** Hijos Del Sol Arts Production, and Salinas Valley Pride Celebrations

**District 4:** Eclectic Collective, Musikiwest, New Canon Theatre Co, Supporting Indigenous Communities Group and The Weston Collective

**District 5:** Art Abilities, Arts Habitat, Big Sur Fiddle Camp, Carl Cherry Center for the Arts, Carmel Delights Dance Company, Franklin Legacy Fund, House of the Four Winds Foundation, Living Better Lives, Monterey History and Art Association, Salinas Area Reading Fundamental, and Salinas Living Poetry and Prose Project

COMMUNITY  
ARTS  
GRANTS

**District 1:** Alisal Center for the Fine Arts, Salinas City Center Improvement Association National Steinbeck Center, Salinas Valley Food & Wine Festival, and Salinas Valley Pride Celebrations, **District 2:** Noche Bohemia De Salinas, Prunedale Senior Center, and Wonder Wood Ranch **District 3:** El Sistema USA/ YOSAL, George L. Mee Memorial Hospital, Hijos del Sol Arts Productions, King City in Bloom, Monterey County Dance Foundation, and Sol Treasures, Inc **District 4:** Community Partnership for Youth (CPY), Foundation for Monterey County Free Libraries, Kweens Kounsel, Loaves, Fishes and Computers, Musikiwest Inc., New Canon Theatre Co., Palenke Arts, The Parenting Connection of Monterey County, and Salinas Juneteenth Celebration **District 5:** Bay View Academy, Big Sur Fiddle Camp, Carmel Art Association, Carmel Classic Guitar Society, The Carmel Foundation, Carmel Heritage Society, Chamber Music Monterey Bay, Ensemble Monterey Chamber Orchestra, First Night Monterey, Franklin Legacy Fund, I Cantori di Carmel, MEarth, Monterey County Pops!, Monterey Museum of Art, Monterey Symphony, Museum Foundation of Pacific Grove, Inc., Monterey Jazz Festival, Monterey Bay Power Over Parkinson's, Monterey Peninsula Gospel Community Choir, SpectorDance, Sunset Cultural Center, Monterey County Theatre Alliance, Whalefest Monterey, and York School

ARTS &  
CULTURAL  
GRANTS

Canvas painting for our supporters was a lot of fun. I really enjoyed painting with my fingers. **It was a fun way to show my creative side and say thank you.**

-Angelina, Age 7, Grade 1, Arts & Cultural Grantee CPY Arts Program Participant

# PROMOTING



## Arts For All

Arts4MC aims to inspire people's imagination and creativity. We achieve this by advocating for Art legislation, organizing and participating in community events.

Art has the power to bring people together and create positive change in our communities. The more Art there is, the better for all.



**Mahi Shah**  
2022-2024 Monterey County Youth Poet Laureate



**Daniel Summerhill**  
2022-2023 Monterey County Poet Laureate



## SPOKEN WORD TAKES THE STAGE

CLOCKWISE

1. Announced first ever MC Youth Poet Laureate
2. MC Poet Laureate
3. Held Poetry Out Loud event. Finalist went on to compete at state level.

**Arts4Everyone is our way of reaching out and embracing the heart of Monterey County,** one event at a time. In March 2023, we took our mission to the streets, hosting our inaugural Arts4Everyone event at the eclectic and vibrant Captain + Stoker coffee shop.

# THE ARTS



## ADVOCACY



## ARTS4EVERYONE



## PUBLIC & SCHOOL MURALS



## PUBLIC ART EXHIBITIONS



## COMMUNITY EVENTS



# DONORS JULY 1, 2022 - JUN 30, 2023

Mural by Brenda Saglio, Soledad - Mission Recreation District



 GEM (Gives Every Month)

## OVER \$100,000

California Arts Council  
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County of Monterey  
Monterey Peninsula Foundation

## \$10,000 TO \$99,999

Harden Foundation  
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Monterey County Gives!  
State of California Grants  
Weston Call Fund of Community Foundation  
for Monterey County





## \$5,000 TO \$9,999



Patricia Skinner  
Rita & Luis Echenique Charitable Foundation  
Todd Leuders Fund of Community Foundation  
for Monterey County

## \$2,500 TO \$4,999

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Bradley Zeve

## \$1,000 TO \$2,499

Jacquie & Tom Atchison   
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*Thank you for your support!*

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Art kit distribution in South County



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## UP TO \$499 CONT

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# THANK YOU

FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



Because of you, we have been able to bring Arts Education to over 15 districts and local schools in Monterey County!

With your continued support, we can fill gaps in our community and bring the Arts to more students.



**BECOME A GEM DONOR** 💎

Give Every Month and help us enrich the lives of our youth through the arts!

# FINANCIALS

JULY 1, 2022 - JUN 30, 2023

## REVENUE

<b>Government Grants</b>	\$667,750
<b>Contributed Funding</b>	\$629,683
<b>Earned Revenue</b>	\$1,127,423

**TOTAL REVENUE**                      **\$2,424,856**



28 %      26%      47%

## EXPENSES

<b>Fundraising</b>	\$135,536
<b>Operations</b>	\$210,339
<b>Programs</b>	\$1,611,551

**TOTAL EXPENSES**                      **\$1,957,426**



7 %      11%      82%

**Restricted Assets For Future Years**                      **\$150,000**

**NET REVENUE**                                      **\$317,430**



Portion of "She Persisted" By Paul Richmond



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