How You Can Help ArtStream

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- Host a special fundraising event, such as a restaurant sponsored evening or a shopping event.
- Join ArtStream’s mailing list. Click on “Join Our Mailing List” on the upper right of any page on our website to sign up.
- Volunteer, attend ArtStream events, donate space, or make an introduction for us!
- Sponsor an event!

ArtStream Annual Report 2011-2012
perform your art out

Who We Are

ArtStream is a consortium of professional artists who are passionate about taking arts programs into communities generally under-served by the arts.

Our Mission

Creating artistic opportunities for individuals in communities traditionally under-served by the arts.

A Letter from Executive Director Patricia Woolsey

Thank you for helping ArtStream make an impact in 2011-2012, our seventh year as a 501(c)3 non-profit! We are still working tirelessly to bring creative and artistic opportunities to those who need them most!

Our Inclusive Theatre Companies are making an impact for our clients and also for their families and friends who see these actors perform. Inclusive Theatre parent Paula DeBoy expressed it best in a speech she made at our 2nd Annual Gala about her daughter Kelly’s experience:

“After every performance, I saw a positive change in the way the people in the audience saw Kelly and interacted with her. Relatives or friends who would typically look right past her and rarely talk to her, started to make eye contact and engage her in conversations. Now when they see her, they really SEE her – not look past her or ignore her.”

We were proud to open up this invaluable opportunity to 10 new Montgomery County students in our New Inclusive Showcase in 2011-2012. This past year, ArtStream created seven (7!) original musicals featuring adults with disabilities, and we made an impact on over 2,000 audience members!

We are happy to continue our strong relationships with our community partners. ArtStream Teaching Artists make an impact on these communities each week! In Montgomery County, these include The Arc of Montgomery County, the Center for Adoption Support and Education (CASE), Community Services for Autistic Adults and Children, Inc., ISKAD, The Frost School Ombond Primary Program (Formerly The Foobuhl School), and Kids Enjoy Exercise Now (KEEN). We have also continued our partnership with the Mason LIFE Program at George Mason University in Fairfax, Virginia.

Our Deborah Jean Arts in Hospitals and Hospice Program continues to make an impact in the healthcare community, and on our Teaching Artists.

- Our Allies in the Arts, Artists-in-Residence Program has been a part of the national conversation on mental health for returning military personnel through outlets such as the first-ever Arts Healing for Warriors Summit and Veterans Collaborative of Montgomery County.
- We learned to hand-dance with the spirited seniors at The Specialty Hospital and Capitol Hill Nursing Center.
- We adopted our touring puppet show The Pirate’s Jule for new populations – it now includes live audio-description, a touch-tour and extra-sensory experiences for audiences who are blind or have low vision.
- Sally Kinks and ArtStream NC have made an impact in Raleigh, North Carolina. ArtStream NC has partnered with Sanderson High School in Raleigh, NC. They are providing FREE rehearsal space as well as recruiting local teens to act as onstage mentors in the Raleigh Inclusive Theatre Company. ArtStream NC also partners with WakeMed Hospital in Raleigh, NC to bring Bedside Storytelling to children at the hospital. We are so grateful for this support in Raleigh.

This year we were thrilled to make an impact on Capitol Hill! Representative Chris Van Hollen of Maryland’s 8th District invited ArtStream to visit his Washington, DC office. Several actors, parents and staff members were on hand to testify to the power of the arts. Rep. Van Hollen and his staff were very gracious and accommodating, and we look forward to welcoming them to future ArtStream events.

This year, our donors have made an incredible impact – all at high in donations! Donors also made an impact through corporate giving and matching grants with BSA, Freddie Mac, Host Hotels and Resorts, IBM, Microsoft and Sodexo. ArtStream received further funding from the Maryland State Arts Council, service organizations including Porto Charities and Potomac Rotary Club, and ISKAD, the Christopher and Dana Reeve Foundation, Community Foundation for the National Capital Region, the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Charitable Service Trust, The Jim and Carol Trawick Foundation, The Max and Victoria Dreyfus Foundation and an anonymous family foundation.

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**NDSC Conference Workshop** • July 2012
ArtStream Inclusive Actors and Self-Advocates Brendan and Casey Hamaekke led a presentation at the 40th Annual National Down Syndrome Congress (NDSC) Convention in Washington, DC. ArtStream Co-Founder Nicolette Stearns acted as support for the presentation on how to Perform Your Art Out every day!

In the News
Kevin Iannucci, an actor with ArtStream’s Raleigh Inclusive Company was profiled in this front-page article. Readers were encouraged to check out the Raleigh Inclusive Company’s original musical, Tommy Twiddlemeyer and the Pumpkin of Destiny.

The Washington Post – “New Musical Gives Actors a Chance to Express Their Creativity” by Timothy Wilson • March 14, 2012
This article praised the Arlington Inclusive Company’s 2012 sci-fi double feature Oh My, An Invasion and Star Corps IV: The Search for Mind Zap, especially actor Frank Stephens and his hammy, Shatner-summoning performance as Captain Morgan of the SS Endeavor.

Montgomery County Gazette – “Everyone is a Star at ArtStream” by Cody Calamai • April 26, 2012
This article commended ArtStream’s Inclusive Company for changing the audience’s perceptions of people with disabilities. It also profiled actor Brian Blumennich and his diabolical performance as Hannibal Manning in the Silver Spring Inclusive Company’s 2012 production, Back to the Past.

Visit with Representative Chris Van Hollen
ArtStream was invited to visit Representative Chris Van Hollen of Maryland’s 8th District at his Washington, DC office. We were honored at this opportunity to discuss issues affecting adults with disabilities in Montgomery County and the need for government support of community arts projects. Many ArtStream staff, actors and family members were present to give personal testimonials to the power of Inclusive Theatre.

Grant Highlights
ArtStream is funded in part through grant foundations and government entities. Here are some highlights and new grants for FY 2011-2012.

**The Christopher and Dana Reeve Foundation – 2012 Quality of Life Grant**
ArtStream was grateful to receive a 2012 Quality of Life Grant from the Christopher and Dana Reeve Foundation. This is the second Quality of Life Grant that ArtStream has received to benefit our Allies in the Arts, Artist-in-Residence program at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center. We are proud to be a part of The Christopher and Dana Reeve Foundation’s commitment to people living with paralysis, as well as to be a beneficiary of their support to organizations serving wounded military and their families.

**The Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Charitable Service Trust Grant**
ArtStream’s Allies in the Arts, Artist-in-Residence Project received a supporting grant from the DAV Charitable Service Trust. The Trust supports physical and psychological rehabilitation programs aimed at some of America’s veterans who are profoundly disabled, meets the special needs of veterans with specific disabilities - such as paralysis, amputation and burns injuries- and aids and shelters homeless veterans. The Trust also brings hope to the families of disabled veterans, and ensures transportation to VA medical facilities for veterans who are sick and disabled. As a non-profit charitable organization, the Trust relies upon donations from the public to support grants awarded. We are very grateful to be included among The Trust’s grantees.

**Maryland State Arts Council (MSAC) – General Operating Grant**
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The Willis Foundation
The Washington Group
Patricia Woolley
Robert Woolley

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Pat and Ellen Hammeke
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Andrews and Margaret
Lavchenko
Aaron Lucas
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Mary-Lee Lutz
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Nancy Ploen MacManus
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PROGRAMS

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Programs

Hospitals and Hospice Programs (continued)

Creative for Life Arts Workshops at The Specialty Hospital of Washington and Capitol Hill Nursing Center
Since May 2010, ArtStream has offered multi-arts learning sessions for older adult residents of The Specialty Hospital of Washington and Capitol Hill Nursing Center. Residents engage in music, dance, movement, visual arts, drama and puppetry, while sharing memories of Washington DC’s vibrant cultural history and strengthening social connections.

Allies in the Arts, Artists-in-Residence Project
ArtStream brings creative arts opportunities to Wounded Warriors, their families and military hospital staff at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, in association with the American Red Cross. This highly regarded program began in June 2010.

Allies in the Art was one of the first external programs integrated after Walter Reed Army Medical Center merged with National Naval Medical Center to become WRNMMC in September of 2011. We are also proud to be on the forefront of the national conversation of arts and medicine in the military at this newly integrated facility.

Fiscal Year 2011-2012

Condensed Financial Statement September 1, 2011 – August 31, 2012

INCOME

Tuition . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $ 66,130
Individuals Restricted Funds* . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 51,050
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Corporate Donations . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2,585
Special Events . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 42,327
Contracted Services . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 43,804
Box office . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 16,851
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Merchandise, Concessions, Ads . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 8,001
In-Kind Donations . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 420

Total Income: $ 353,454

EXPENSES

Total Ex 03s: $ 298,679

Individuals (restricted) 14%
Individuals (unrestricted) 16%
Corporate Donations 1%
In-Kind Donations 4%
Program Expenses 86%
Mgmt & General 4%
Development - 10%

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Box Office ............. 16,851
Foundation Grants ............. 63,100
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Merchandise, Concessions, Ads ............. 8,001
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** Funds the Deborah Jean Arts in Hospitals and Hospice Program

*Obtained through mailings, events, and gifts of stock

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Management and General ............. 12,437
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ArtStream presented the Allies in the Arts, Artist-in-Residence Project at a 2012 Veteran’s Collaborative meeting. Veteran Collaborative identifies and connects military and veteran services in Montgomery County.

**NDSC Conference Workshop**  •  July 2012
ArtStream Inclusive Actors and Self-Advocates Brendan and Casey Hammeke led a presentation at the 40th Annual National Down Syndrome Congress (NDSC) Convention in Washington, DC. ArtStream Co-Founder Nicolette Steams acted as support for the presentation on how to Perform Your Art Out every day!

In the News

**The Raleigh News & Observer**  •  "Theatre Lets Disabled Cast Put Its Talents on Display" by Josh Shaffer
February 20, 2012 and February 22, 2012
Kevin Iannucci, an actor with ArtStream’s Raleigh Inclusive Company was profiled in this front-page article. Readers were encouraged to check out the Raleigh Inclusive Company’s original musical, Timmy Twiddlemeyer and the Pumpkin of Destiny.

**The Washington Post**  •  "New Musical Gives Actors a Chance to Express Their Creativity" by Timothy Wilson  •  March 14, 2012
This article praised the Arlington Inclusive Companies’ 2012 sci-fi double feature Oh My, An Invasion and Star Corps IV: The Search for Mind Zap, especially actor Frank Stephens and his hammy, Shatner-summoning performance as Captain Morgan of the SS Endeavor.

**Montgomery County Gazette**  •  “Everyone is a Star at ArtStream” by Cody Calamai  •  April 26, 2012
This article commended ArtStream’s Inclusive Companies for changing the audience’s perceptions of people with disabilities. It also profiled actor Brian Blumennich and his diabolical performance as Hannibal Manning in the Silver Spring Inclusive Company’s 2012 production, Back to the Past.

Visit with Representative Chris Van Hollen
ArtStream was invited to visit Representative Chris Van Hollen of Maryland’s 8th District at his Washington, DC office. We were honored at this opportunity to discuss issues affecting adults with disabilities in Montgomery County and the need for government support of community arts projects. Many ArtStream staff, actors and family members were present to give personal testimonials to the power of Inclusive Theatre.

Grant Highlights
ArtStream is funded in part through grant foundations and government entities. Here are some highlights and new grants for FY 2011-2012.

**The Christopher and Dana Reeve Foundation**  •  2012 Quality of Life Grant
ArtStream was grateful to receive a 2012 Quality of Life Grant from the Christopher and Dana Reeve Foundation. This is the second Quality of Life Grant that ArtStream has received to benefit our Allies in the Arts, Artist-in-Residence program at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center. We are proud to be a part of The Christopher and Dana Reeve Foundation’s commitment to people living with paralysis, as well as to be a beneficiary of their support to organizations serving wounded military and their families.

**The Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Charitable Service Trust Grant**
ArtStream’s Allies in the Arts, Artist-in-Residence Project received a supporting grant from the DAV Charitable Service Trust. The Trust supports physical and psychological rehabilitation programs Aimed at some of America’s veterans who are profoundly disabled, meets the special needs of veterans with specific disabilities - such as paralysis, amputation body injuries – and aids and shelters homeless veterans. The Trust also brings hope to the families of disabled veterans, and ensures transportation to VA medical facilities for veterans who are sick and disabled. As a non-profit charitable organization, the Trust relies upon donations from the public to support grants awarded. We are very grateful to be included among The Trust’s grantees.

**Maryland State Arts Council (MSAC) – General Operating Grant**
ArtStream was awarded a general operating grant from the Maryland State Arts Council. It is the second consecutive grant cycle in which ArtStream has received funding from MSAC. We are very grateful to be a part of MSAC’s efforts to cultivate a vibrant community where the arts thrive. Funding for the Maryland State Arts Council is also provided by the National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency.

**The Willis Foundation**
Sandra Bravo of the Willis Foundation joined ArtStream for our first-ever check-presentation before an Inclusive Theatre performance in Arlington. The Willis Foundation is supported by the proceeds from funders run by Willis North America employees all over America.
How You Can Help ArtStream

• Donate, provide a gift of stock, or include ArtStream in your estate planning.
• Donate storage space.
• Shop on Amazon.com and GoodShop.com. Search via GoodSearch.
• Sell things you no longer need on eBay. Donate the proceeds of your eBay sales directly to ArtStream. Not sure how? Visit www.art-stream.org/contribute for full details.

• Host a special fundraising event, such as a restaurant sponsored evening or a shopping event.
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Meeting the Needs of New Communities

ArtStream is a consortium of professional artists who are passionate about taking arts programs into communities generally under-served by the arts.

Our Mission

Creating artistic opportunities for individuals in communities traditionally under-served by the arts.

A Letter from Executive Director Patricia Woolsey

Thank you for helping ArtStream make an impact in 2011-2012, our seventh year as a 501(c)3 non-profit. We are still working tirelessly to bring creative and artistic opportunities to those who need them most.

Our Inclusive Theatre Companies are making an impact for our clients and also for their families and friends who see these acts perform. Inclusive Theatre parent Paula DeBoy expressed it best in a speech she made at our 2nd Annual Gala about her daughter Kelly’s experience:

"After every performance, I saw a positive change in the way the people in the audience saw Kelly and interacted with her. Relatives or friends who would typically look right past her and rarely talk to her, started to make eye contact and engage her in conversations. Now when they see her, they really SEE her – not look past her or ignore her."

We were proud to open up this invaluable opportunity to 10 new Montgomery County students in our New Inclusive Showcase in 2011-2012. This past year, ArtStream created seven (7!) original musicals featuring adults with disabilities, and we made an impact on 2,000 audience members!

We are happy to continue our strong relationships with our community partners. ArtStream Teaching Artists make an impact on these communities each week! In Montgomery County, these include The Arc of Montgomery County, the Center for Adoption Support and Education (CASE), Community Services for Autistic Adults and Children, Inc. (CSAAC), The Frost School Ombudsmen Primary Program (Formerly The Freehold School), and Kids Enjoy Exercise Now (KEEN). We have also continued our partnership with the Mason LIFES Program at George Mason University in Fairfax, Virginia.

Our Deborah Jean Arts in Hospitals and Hospice Program continues to make an impact in the healthcare community, and on our Teaching Artists.

• Our Allies in the Arts, Artists-in-Residence Program has become a part of the national conversation on mental health for returning military personnel through outlets such as the first-ever Arts Healing for Warriors Summit and Veterans Collaborative of Montgomery County.

• We learned to hand-dance with the spirited seniors at The Specialty Hospital and Capitol Hill Nursing Center.

• We adapted our touring puppet show The Pirate’s Juke to serve new populations – it now includes live audio-description, a touch-tour and extra-sensory experiences for audiences who are blind or have low vision.

Sally Kinka and ArtStream NC have made an impact in Raleigh, North Carolina. ArtStream NC has partnered with Sanderson High School in Raleigh, NC. They are providing FREE rehearsal space as well as recruiting local teens to act as onstage mentors in the Raleigh Inclusive Theatre Company. ArtStream NC also partners with WakeMed Hospital in Raleigh, NC to bring Bedside Storytelling to children at the hospital. We are so grateful for this support in Raleigh.

This year we were thrilled to make an impact on Capitol Hill Representative Chris Van Hollen of Maryland’s 8th District invited ArtStream to visit his Washington, DC office. Several actors, parents and staff members were on hand to testify to the power of the arts. Rep. Van Hollen and his staff were very gracious and accommodating, and we look forward to welcoming them to future ArtStream events.

This year, our donors have made an incredible impact - all time high in donations! Donors also made an impact through corporate giving and matching grants with Ball Aerospace, The Catholic Charities and Capital One. ArtStream Teaching Artists make an impact on these communities each week! Our Inclusive Theatre Companies are making an impact for our clients and also for their families and friends who see these acts perform. Inclusive Theatre parent Paula DeBoy expressed it best in a speech she made at our 2nd Annual Gala about her daughter Kelly’s experience:

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Thank you so much for all of your support. You have attended our shows, taken our classes, volunteered, donated to us, connected us and spread the word to your relatives, friends, and colleagues.

Patricia Woolsey
Executive Director, ArtStream, Inc.