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CLAASES HELD IN THE DMV

91%

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RETENTION RATE IN ARTSTREAM CLASSES

1,075

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PEOPLE WITH IDDS EMPowered IN ARTSTREAM CLASSES

4,711

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VOLUNTEER HOURS

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We were pleased to welcome Patrick McCarthy from Senator Chris Van Hollen’s office and Congressman Jamie Raskin.

The event was sold-out for the second year in a row and featured a photo booth and Dance Party. Thanks to generous sponsors and guests, the Gala raised over $83,000 to support classes and performing companies. Watch for news about next year’s 15th Anniversary Gala and Dance Party Celebration.