# Arts For Al Annual Report



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## Create **Arts Access** For All

## Connect Artists to Communities

### Inspire Arts Every Day, **Everywhere**, for **Everyone**

# Director's Message

It's been another busy year with expanded community service opportunities to ensure that all children have access to the arts in our community and surrounding areas. We are proud to report that we have served over 70,000 children in five regions. As our new name, "Arts For All" describes, we are expanding our reach and impact through a focused mandate to engage all children and families through accessible and affordable arts programming -- prioritizing marginalized, Indigenous, francophone, and disabled children and youth.

Like most other service organizations, our operations had been affected by the Covid-19 pandemic. Support from our community, cross sector partners, and various levels of government helped over the short term and allowed us to maintain staff and continue with programs in adapative online delivery models. Since the Covid-19 pandemic relief support ended, we have been responding to the growing community need for expanded arts access and services, who came to better understand the impact and value of the role of arts have in the healthy development of children and youth. In order to achieve our goal, we will deepen our current partnerships in the community. We will continue our work of including arts as a strategy to ensure a well-rounded healthy community through our three principals: Inspiration, Confidence, Well-being.

Of course, we would not be able to do this essential work without our Board, volunteers, wonderful sponsors, donors, government, foundations, child/youth partner agencies, and last but not least artistic and administrative team and artist educators who work tirelessly to make arts accessible for all.

We continue to build our community through the arts - together!





Vitek Wincza Founder / Artistic & Executive Director Arts For All

Arts For All Kinderfest featuring Carousel Players with Central School 💿 Taskin Anha



Chairperson's Message

As we reflect on the past year, we celebrate the artistic achievements of Arts For All. We recognize the positive community impact that has resulted from the delivery of highquality arts education and community programs.

Through the long-standing partnership with the Hamilton Conservatory for the Arts, along with the support of staff, volunteers, and community partners, Arts For All fosters a love of art and strengthens the Hamilton community. Arts For All's mission to provide accessible arts programming, particularly for children and youth, remains the focus. Looking ahead, Arts For All will continue to enhance accessibility to the arts, diversify programming, and advocate for the role of arts education to enrich the lives of our community.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to Arts For All's success to create a vibrant and inclusive Hamilton through the arts.

Jane Foster, Chair of the Board of Directors, Arts For All



Arts For All Artists in Neighbourhoods 🖸 Janet Benneyworth



# neighbourhoods

12 hours



Connecting children and youth to creativity, threading stories of belonging into new tapestries. Grounded in the expression of culture as a right for all, Artasia 2024 elevated the voices of young people through creative practices in fabric. With more community partners than ever before, Artasia's wide reaching impact culminated in an exhbition at Supercrawl celebrating children's voices.



after school ARTS program

After School Arts Program (ASAP) facilitated quality arts activities for children in collaboration with youth service agency partners in over twenty sites across the region.

ASAP engages children and youth at crucial times when parents are at work, and connects with young people ripe for activities unique to the after school environment.





children

# artist educators

27

sites

children

companies

shows

Arts For All Kinderfest featuring Foolish Operations from Vancouver, BC



Early childhood is a formative time, serving as the foundation upon which all of life's later endeavours are built. Kinderfest 2024 brought celebrated artists and arts companies from Ontario, B.C., and Quebec to our community to deepen the network of early years arts activities across the region and to share artistic expertise, knowledge and resources.







#### Arts For All Resonance Choir performing at the Hamilton Public Library

# **IIIresonance** CHOIR

Arts For All, in partnership with the Ron Joyce Children's Health Centre, recognizes that all children have gifts. The Resonance Choir offers a fun and team building alternative to make new friends and share stories together with peers facing their own health challenges. The power of connection with other youth cannot be underestimated.









performances

19 emerging artists

# 6120 paid hours

2 programs



ArtWorks offers opportunities for young people interested in building the new creative economy to gain aesthetic, artistic, and practical skills to further apply their creative energy in the workplace.

Practicing artists, artist educators and administrators train and mentor emerging artists and recent graduates to put their knowledge into practice.

Arts For All ArtWorks team members engaged in Artasia project





Activity-20 m

Arts For All ArtsMatter workshop at the Hamilton Youth Summit with Zorica Silverthorne, Artist Educator

MAINER

ArtsMatter addresses gaps in arts education within the community and deepens the capacity for community agency workers to engage children and youth in the arts.

Emphasizing the connection between arts education and the healthy whole development of children, ArtsMatter engages and empowers community organization staff and their spaces to create effective environments for the arts.





**400** *educators* 

12 organizations Arts For All Kinderfest featuring WeeFestival with Hamilton EarlyON To Taskin Anha

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#### CULTURE FOR KIDS IN THE ARTS **Operating as ARTS FOR ALL Statement of Operations and Changes in Net Assets** For the Year Ended August 31, 2024



## Finances

#### REVENUES

Government grants (Note 3) Earned revenue Foundations Donations Interest income

#### **EXPENSES**

Contractors Salaries and wages Professional fee Program expenses Amortization Advertising and fundraising General and administration

DEFICIENCY OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES **OPENING NET ASSETS CLOSING NET ASSETS** 

	2024		2023	
\$	227,227 131,610 124,223 17,520 2,272	\$	361,572 41,737 108,700 4,843 3,371	
- 223 - 	502,852	9	520,223	

238,371		238,576
202,482		206,025
37,232		16,719
24,724	35,335	
20,383		23,370
1,897		5,894
30,369		12,855
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<u> </u>		538,774
(52,606)		(18,551)
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114,157		132,708
1410		
61,551	\$	114,157



# Board of Directors

**Jane Foster** Chair

Vice Chair

**Candice Keem** Treasurer

**Francesca Alfano** Secretary

Member

### **Veronica Heringer**

**Brenda Ferguson** 

## Artistic Team

Vitek Wincza Founder & Artistic / Executive Director

Victoria Long Program / Operations Manager

**Brianna Seferiades** Program / Human Resource Coordinator

Setareh Masoumbeiki Education / Outreach Lead

**Taskin Ahna** 

Harold Sikkema Communications / Brand Manager

**Clover Thursday** Program Coordinator / Designer

Kento Cady **Program Communications / Designer** 

# Development / Administration Coordinator

Government Support

Funded by the Government of Canada Financé par le gouvernement du Canada







United Nations Association in Canada Association canadienne pour les Nations Unies

Ontario Trillium Foundation







**Filomena Tassi** MP of Hamilton West



Lisa Hepfner MP of Hamilton Mountain



Patrimoine canadien



Canada Council Conseil des arts for the Arts du Canada

Fondation Trillium de l'Ontario



#### **ONTARIO ARTS COUNCIL CONSEIL DES ARTS DE L'ONTARIO**

an Ontario government agency un organisme du gouvernement de l'Ontario

CAMERON WARD 2 KROETSCH **City Councillor** 



**Chad Collins** MP of Hamilton East



**Matthew Green** MP of Hamilton Centre Foundation Support

#### HAMILTON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

## Edith H. Turner FOUNDATION





HAMILTON DISTRICT

Society for Disabled Children





### Dougher community fund FOUNDATION FOR THE ARTS

## Mischa Weisz FOUNDATION

# HAMILTON SPECTATOR

## Founding Partner



**Community Partners** 





Centre de santé communautaire Hamilton/Niagara



Child and Family Centre



HAMILTON • WENTWORTH Catholic Child Care Centres





# Sheridan





YMCA of Hamilton | Burlington | Brantford

Today's Family



### Hamilton

Hamilton Early Years La petite enfance de Hamilton











# **Arts** FOR

Arts For All (AFA) is a charitable organization of the Hamilton Conservatory for the Arts. AFA delivers innovative arts programming, mentorship and employment opportunities that foster civic engagement making arts accessible in the greater Hamilton region. Since 1999, Arts For All has reached over 70,000 children and youth with innovative, high-quality arts education and community arts programs.

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