

# Annual Report 2022-23

# A MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Arts Advocate,

For the past 10 years, I have had the honor of serving as the Executive Director of Arts Every Day working alongside incredible staff, inspired educators, dedicated arts organizations, and fantastic artists. Our family of supporters continues to grow each year as we expand our work with the goal of ensuring all students in every Baltimore City Public School engages with the arts, every day.

Thanks to our generous donors, partners and collaborators, FY23 proved to be a year of growth for Arts Every Day. The organization left our beloved - but small - space at The Motor House and moved to Baltimore Unity Hall. We now have a flexible workspace and classroom to convene partners, parents and youth. We expanded our arts integration support for school partners and completed our first year of implementing our United States Department of Education project. Thanks to the organizing efforts of our youth, parent, and community partners, Baltimore City Public Schools increased staffing and support for arts education. Band rooms received new instruments, dance teachers installed mirrors in their classrooms, art teachers fired up kilns, and theater teachers upgraded stage lighting through our Arts Equipment Fund. Thank you all for being a part of this incredible journey to ignite and inspire creativity in Baltimore City Public Schools!



  
Julia Di Bussolo, Executive Director



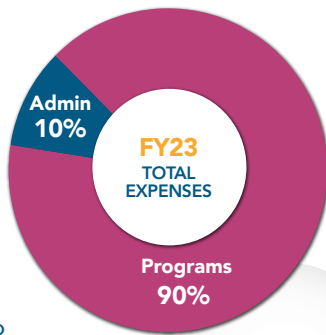
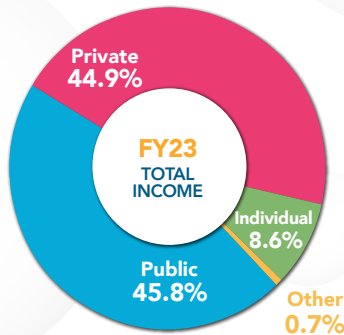
# FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

| TOTAL INCOME         | FY22             | FY23             |
|----------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Private Grants       | \$539,508        | \$625,051        |
| Public Grants        | \$245, 209       | \$612, 587       |
| Individual Donations | \$62,767         | \$118, 498       |
| Other                | \$4,118          | \$7,943          |
| <b>TOTAL</b>         | <b>\$851,602</b> | <b>1,364,079</b> |

| TOTAL EXPENSES | FY22              | FY23               |
|----------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Programs       | \$578,093         | \$1,241,506        |
| General Admin  | \$97,069          | \$140,853          |
| <b>TOTAL</b>   | <b>\$675, 162</b> | <b>\$1,382,359</b> |

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of every dollar raised goes to support programming, advocacy work, and funding for schools



## FY23 IN REVIEW

Fiscal year 2023 saw expansion for Arts Every Day. We added two new full-time staff members including a dedicated accountant, moved to a new and larger office space located at Baltimore Unity Hall, and conducted our 5 year strategic planning process with staff and the Board of Directors.

We secured new sources of funding and restructured some internal HR, protocol, and data keeping policies to ensure that all of our programs can run smoothly by a fully supported staff.

All financial information seen here relates to Arts Every Day's Fiscal Year 2023 audit statement prepared by SB & Associates and was approved by our Board of Directors on October 25, 2023.

Audit reports may be found by visiting:  
[artseveryday.org/reports-financials](https://artseveryday.org/reports-financials)

# ARTS EVERY DAY PARTNER SCHOOLS

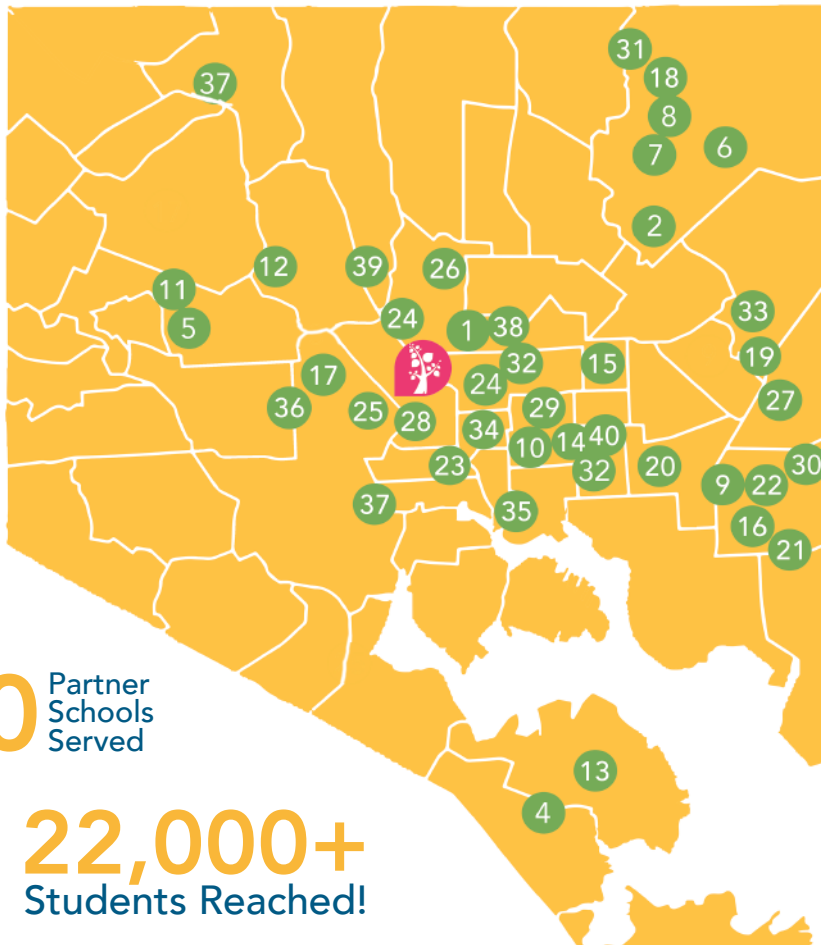
## 2022-23 SCHOOL YEAR

Last school year, Arts Every Day celebrated a rich year of in-person programming at our Partner Schools after several years of pandemic limitations.

We were proud to support our Partner Schools as they crafted arts experiences aimed at rebuilding students' confidence and joy in learning as well as supporting math and literacy achievement. In addition to providing funding for students' arts experiences, Arts Every Day provided direct support to teachers through an expanding variety of virtual and in-person professional development offerings, including piloting a paid supported planning time for teachers. AED is thankful for the opportunity to provide programming that serves and supports teachers, students, and our broader community.

**40** Partner  
Schools  
Served

**22,000+**  
Students Reached!





1. Abbottston Elementary School
2. Baltimore International Academy
3. Bard High School Early College
4. Bay-Brook Elementary Middle School
5. Belmont Elementary School
6. City Neighbors Charter School
7. City Neighbors Hamilton
8. City Neighbors High School
9. Clay Hill Public Charter School
10. Commodore John Rodgers Middle School
11. ConneXions: A Community Based Arts School
12. Creative City Public Charter
13. Curtis Bay Elementary School
14. Dorothy I. Height Elementary School
15. Digital Harbor High School
16. Elmer A. Henderson: A Johns Hopkins Partnership School
17. Fallstaff Elementary School
18. Fort Worthington Elementary Middle School
19. Graceland Park O'Donnell Heights Elementary Middle School
20. Gwynns Falls Elementary School
21. Hamilton Elementary Middle School
22. Hazelwood Elementary School
23. Highlandtown Elementary Middle School
24. Holabird Academy
25. John Ruhrah Elementary Middle School
26. Joseph C. Briscoe Academy
27. Matthew A. Henson Elementary School
28. Mergenthaler Vocational Technical High School
29. Moravia Park Elementary School
30. Mount Royal Elementary Middle School
31. National Academy Foundation
32. Northbend Elementary Middle School
33. Patterson High School
34. Reginald F. Lewis High School
35. Sinclair Lane Elementary School
36. Stadium School
37. The Crossroads School
38. Thomas Jefferson Elementary Middle School
39. Vivien T. Thomas Medical Arts Academy
40. Western High School

*"Arts Every Day is a great asset in helping our teachers and students express their creativity through many different artistic avenues! Children LOVE art and are motivated and more inclined to participate in the learning process when art is incorporated!"*

-Mark A. Bongiovanni, Principal  
Curtis Bay Elementary School

# SCHOOLS PROGRAMS

In August 2022, AED adapted our annual summer conference into a hybrid format with both in-person and virtual options to better meet teacher's needs and honor their busy summer schedules. With the ability to earn AU credit, this flexible professional development structure was an attractive option for teachers looking to expand their understanding and practice of arts integration. Teachers had a wide variety of art forms to explore through the studio sessions and video course which showcased Arts Every Day's impressive network of Arts and Cultural Partners. Teachers sang songs to tell stories, created zines to talk about social studies, and discovered engineering through paper folding. From exploring math concepts used in rhythm through music and movement to theater skills used to enhance reading comprehension, teachers were able to walk away from the Summer Conference with fresh ideas and techniques to bring back to their classrooms.

## \$140,000+

in funding provided to Partner Schools to fund over 120 school-day programs across Baltimore!



## 121

Arts Experiences booked  
by AED Partner Schools

## 22,000+

Students Reached!

## 62

Teachers  
awarded  
AU credits

# BALTIMORE ARTS INTEGRATION PROJECT

As the Baltimore Arts Integration Project (BAIP) rounds out its second year of operation, we are grateful for the teaching artists, classroom teaching specialists, and panel of advisors who devoted their time and passion to making the project a success.

**24** New Online Professional Development Courses

**200**

Hours spent recording new online professional development courses!



**16** Teaching Artists in Collaboration with Classroom Teachers

Our creative teams devoted many hours to crafting and filming arts-integrated asynchronous courses tailored to Baltimore City English/Language arts curriculum. The result is a growing library of arts-integrated professional development opportunities infused with the Brain-Targeted Teaching Model®, and is open to all City Schools teachers.

In preparation for School Year 2023-24, we welcomed our second cohort of BAIP teaching artists and teachers in June. We once again hosted a two-week intensive training conference on Brain-Targeted Teaching this year with an arts-integration focus on science through the lens of City Schools' science curriculum. During these two weeks, we focused on plant and animal classifications, genetic traits, the science of sound, and so much more. With the Cylburn Arboretum as our temporary home, our creativity was sparked by the connections between art, the natural world, and teaching!

# BALTIMORE ARTS EDUCATION INITIATIVE

In 2018, Baltimore City Public Schools adopted a Fine Arts Strategic Plan developed by over 100 individuals convened by Arts Every Day. We are proud to sustain this community organizing effort by facilitating an advisory committee and issue-specific committees that work in partnership with district leaders to advance equitable access to the arts. Because of these efforts, the district has added more than 100 certified fine arts teaching positions and significantly increased investment in the arts over the past 5 years. Arts Every Day is grateful to all of the educators, parents, students, higher education faculty, philanthropic, and City leaders who dedicate hours of work each year to find and propose solutions to systemic barriers.

## PARENT LEADERS

Baltimore City parents are tremendous leaders and advocates for their children. This year, Arts Every Day worked with parent leaders, Ysem Brown and Kadija Hart, to convene parents and community members to share practical steps for advocating for the arts in their neighborhood schools.





175 Hours  
Worked!

10+ Valuable  
Art & Advocacy  
Experiences

8 Student  
Advocates!



"I began to realize that the math I was doing in the band was the same kind of math that we were learning in Miss Jackson's class. 1 dotted half note equals 3 beats, and if 2 dotted half notes were put together then it will equal 6 beats. Note values help musicians keep their rhythm.

Before I joined the band, I hated multiplication because I wasn't good at it. When I tell people that back then I really struggled with math they just stare at me shocked because now it's like I'm a human calculator. This is my story of how the arts found me."

Myra Hicks, City Neighbors High School  
BYAAC Member 2021-2023

## YOUTH ADVOCACY

The B'more Youth Arts Advocacy Council (BYAAC) is composed of eight Baltimore City youth creatives in grades 10 - 12 who attend Baltimore City Public Schools (BCPSS). BYAAC met twice a week from September 2022 - June 2023 to discuss arts education access and how to impact school decision making all while developing their leadership and public speaking skills.

Building on the work of the previous cohort, this year's group continued to raise public awareness about the benefits of an arts education, identified barriers to equitable access to the arts and outreach to potential allies who would be in support of policies that make the arts accessible to every student in every school. The cohort testified to Maryland General Assembly in Annapolis, presented at Maryland Arts Day, and co-hosted the BCPSS Arts Education Town Hall with CEO Dr. Santelises.

In 2023, Arts Every Day awarded three Baltimore City Public Schools funding to implement large scale arts installations and collaborations that will have a long-term impact on their students and surrounding communities. This year's projects include outdoor learning space with Francis Scott Key Elementary Middle School in collaboration with mural artist SolRaya Public Space, a community mural with Roland Park Elementary Middle School who is partnering with artist LaToya Peoples, and Elmer A. Henderson: A Johns Hopkins Partnership School's ground plane mural project together with artist Jordan Lawson.

The Arts Every Day Public Art Grant for Baltimore City Public Schools is the only grant exclusively for Baltimore City Public Schools with the intention of supporting large scale, permanently installed projects that connect individual schools to local artists or organizations and their school community. These projects serve as a source of pride for students and foster an appreciation for the arts in Baltimore City.

# PUBLIC ART GRANT



## \$15,000

In grants to 3 Baltimore City Public Schools to implement a large scale public art project.

*"Arts Every Day's enduring support and resources helped us ignite the artistic passions of our young learners and provided them with a platform to showcase their talent."*

Claire Molina, Visual Art Teacher  
Elmer A. Henderson: A Johns Hopkins Partnership School

# ARTS EQUIPMENT FUND

**\$42K+** in Equipment Fund purchases for SY 22-23

"It has been amazing to display 3D artwork. Without the display case, I could not show off the student's work, but now everyone can see the student's work!"

Laura Bevacqua, Art Teacher  
Wolfe Street Academy



**3800+**  
supplies provided

For the 2022-23 school year, the Arts Equipment Fund has continued to assist in purchasing the equipment and instruments needed for high quality fine arts instruction. Most school budgets only cover enough for basic consumable supplies, leaving arts teachers to fundraise or even pay out of pocket. Unfortunately, some schools don't even cover that, leaving the teachers responsible for even the most basic supplies.

The Arts Equipment Fund is open to schools district-wide, with a priority for Title 1 schools. Teachers can submit up to \$5,000 equipment request lists that fit their school's specific needs. Arts Every Day purchases the items that are shipped directly to the school. From ballet barres and bass drums to costumes and cameras, the Arts Equipment Fund broadens the horizons of creativity for art, music, theater and dance classrooms across the city.

**14** Baltimore City  
Public schools



# 10X10 EXHIBIT

Arts Every Day believes in the power of art to build community, provide an avenue for youth expression, and introduce new concepts and ways of learning in the classroom. We do this each year through our annual exhibits. The 10X10 Exhibit & Youth Curatorial Program celebrates & elevates voices of Baltimore City students and teachers. These exhibits engage students in conversation, reflection, and creation while connecting them to local artists and institutions. Each year, the theme or inspiration artist sets the tone for works of art from how teachers approach the topics in the classroom to what medium or method is used to create the works. Last year's theme was UNITY- paying homage to our move to Baltimore Unity Hall.

The Youth Curatorial Program offers a paid opportunity to experience a GLAM (galleries, libraries, archives, and museums) field for high school students by breaking down boundaries that have traditionally excluded historically underrepresented communities.



**4** student curators

**320**

works of art by Baltimore City Public School students



**19** participating schools





**\$20K**  
In College Bound  
Scholarships Awarded

**137**  
Artists

# COURTING ART BALTIMORE

Courting Art Baltimore held its awards reception awarding \$20,000 in College Bound Scholarships and honoring the 20 finalists out of a record 137 entries for this year's contest. An additional \$1,600 in giftcards to Artist & Craftsman was also given out to all the finalists and their teachers. This year, Courting Art Baltimore, under the direction of Brian Katzenberg and Senior Judge, Halee Weinstein in partnership with Arts Every Day and Baltimore City Public Schools Office of Fine Arts, broke records in the number of entries received; opening the door for an all-star jury panel to assist with narrowing down the list and choosing the top winner.

Courting Art Baltimore has awarded \$130,931 in College Bound Scholarships to since it first began in 2016. In its 8th year, Courting Art continues to live true to its mission- connecting the legal community to the local community and bringing about peace through creativity for all who walk the halls of the Eastside District Court House.

We are incredibly grateful to each and every donor who made a gift between July 1, 2022 and June 30, 2023!

## \$25,000 and up

Baltimore Children & Youth Fund  
Baltimore City Public Schools  
The Jacob and Hilda Blaustein Foundation  
Jane Brown  
France-Merrick Foundation  
Maryland Educators Credit Union  
Maryland State Arts Council  
Middendorf Foundation  
National Endowment for the Arts  
T. Rowe Price Foundation  
The Whiting-Turner Contracting Company  
United States Department of Education

## \$10,000 to \$24,999

William L. & Victorine Q. Adams Foundation  
Henry & Ruth Blaustein Rosenberg Foundation  
Bunting Family Foundation  
Aaron B. Cohen Charitable Foundation  
Helen P. Denit Charitable Foundation  
Cecil Flamer  
April Neuner  
Elizabeth Nuss  
Barbara Roswell  
The Shelter Foundation  
The State of Maryland

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

Baltimore Office of Promotion & the Arts  
Sandra Dalsheimer Hess  
M&T Bank Charitable Foundation  
Robert E. Meyerhoff & Rheda Becker  
Barlow Savidge  
James Scott, Jr.  
Kerry Staton

## \$1,000 to \$4,999

Calvin Baker  
Ellen Bernard  
C. Sylvia Brown  
Mary Catherine Bunting  
Gwen Davidson  
Joe & Katie Di Bussolo  
Jodi Dunn  
Carolyn H. Freeland  
Javi Padilla Design Group  
Fred Lazarus, IV  
Colleen Morocco  
John Meyerhoff, M.D. & Lenel Srochi-Meyerhoff  
Anne S. Perkins  
Maria Rodriguez

## \$500 to \$999

|                        |                          |
|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Karl & Kathy Alexander | Susan Miltenberger       |
| Annette Anselmi        | Walton Pearson           |
| Benevity               | Dr. Shyla Rao            |
| Frank Bonanno          | Theresa Sotto            |
| DJ 5 Starr             | Nathan & Holly South     |
| Linda Eberhart         | Kingsley & Mailaka Udoro |
| Penney Hubbard         | Christian Ventimiglia    |
| Darlene & Jon Lipitz   | Wine Source              |
| Neil & Sayra Meyerhoff |                          |

## \$101 to \$499

Karen Alexander  
Amazon Smile  
Emily Arkuss  
Artist & Craftsman Supply  
Baltimore Jewelry Center  
John & Lynda Burton  
Karen Carroll  
Barbara Cornman  
Michael Cornman & Patricia Mulvey  
Dr. Pamela Cranston & Sandy Neverett  
Michael & Erica Cryor  
Jane Daniels  
Dano's Granola  
Barbara Dent  
Julia DiBussolo  
Robyn Ertwine  
Nancy Fagan  
Ann Finkbeiner  
Flowers & Fancies  
Found Studio Shop  
Gertrude's Restaurant



## \$101 to \$499 (cont.)

Katherine Hardiman  
Ivy Hill  
Brian D. Katzenberg  
Kenneth Krafchek  
Francine & Allan Krumholz  
Sandra Levi Gerstung  
Barbara Lynch  
Carliss Maddox  
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Dwight S. Taylor  
David & Barbara Treasure  
Harold Watson

## \$100 & Below

Elizabeth Abrams  
Baltimore Center Stage  
Baltimore Coffee & Tea  
Baltimore Symphony Orchestra  
Juanita Bellamy  
David & Sharon Britton  
Cheryl Casciani  
The Charmery  
Linda & Peter Clement  
Creative Alliance  
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Sara Edinger  
Gail Neverdon Edmonds  
Lauren Gallagher  
David Gregory  
LaQuisha Hall  
Carolyn Helfman  
Shelly & Jeffrey Hettleman  
Betsey Kahn  
Marion Knipp  
Dorothea Leonnig  
Ronald McFadden  
Robert Miller  
Peter Morris  
Network for Good  
Princess Ghia Newmann  
Allison Nicolaidis  
Kelly Nielsen  
Elizabeth Nilson  
Shirley Parry  
Lucille Pevsner  
Wendy Quitasol  
Lynn Rubin  
Mary Savidge  
Remy Shaffer Gomes  
Angela Sherman  
Sophomore Coffee  
Station North Tool Library  
Nell Strachan  
Daniel Stringer  
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