

CONNECTED EVERY STEP OF THE WAY ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDED JUNE 30-2023















PROGRAMS

- 87 LIVE Programs 849 children and youth;
- Community and Hub Programs increase in demand and depth of delivery;
 - Partnership programs with ROCK, HMC, KSM and the HDSB;
 - Pathways to Possibilities included career exploration workshops;
- Thank you Sheridan College and HRPS for your very special partnerships;
- Program Evaluation Study begins thank you Resilience Research Centre Dalhousie University.





FINANCIALS

- Revenues increased by 13% Thank You to our generous donors, sponsors and granting organizations;
 - Strong Administration and Fundraising Ratios your "investment" is important to us;
 - All venues provided Rent Free.





EVENTS:

- ArtHouse youth performed for Chantal Kreviazuk and 150 guests – Thank you Henderson Partners LLP!
- ArtHouse Youth sing to a standing ovation from 600 guests at the UWHH Campaign Celebration Event;
- Two Pollinator Canoe Gardens are dedicated thanks to sponsors Stanley Black & Decker and Suncor;
- ArtHouse Volunteer Juliet Duke honoured at RBC's Recognition Event, Oakville.

GOVERNANCE:

• ArtHouse receives confirmation of its 5-year Re-Accreditation from Imagine Canada to 2027:



ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR 14 ENDED JUNE 30-2023 AND A BRIEF LOOK AT OUR 15TH

Summary – in June 2022 the Board of Directors approved Vision 2025, our fourth 3-Year strategic planning session since the organization was founded. We learned much from the pandemic, most particularly that our work in our housing locations and neighbourhood Hubs has been of vital importance to both the kids we are supporting as well as their parents. Our "on-site" presence has strengthened our relationships and the trust placed in Team ArtHouse that allows us to deliver life-impacting programming. Throughout Fiscal 2023, we witnessed significant growth in attendance. The Hubs grew in popularity with a new Art of Cooking Program at Next Door Social in Burlington, and a Visual Arts Program at Riveroaks Community Centre in Oakville. Moving into our 15th year, we are also re-building Milton and have recently implemented a program at the Roxy Centre in Acton. Our decision to "intensify" our Community programming also led us to develop Pathways to Possibility and CREATE, two projects that align our arts-based programming with opportunities for our youth to be introduced to post-graduate connections that include our local colleges and young entrepreneurs.

Our second area of focus is with our Agency Partners where ArtHouse is considered to be the "go-to" organization that brings high-quality programming to their clients and students. We asked each of those partners to support us by subsidizing some of our program costs and also provide us with outcome reports. We have been pleased with this outcome and are grateful to our Agencies.

Financial sustainability continues to be a strategic priority as we look for both traditional and non-traditional resources to support our work. We continue to believe that the Case for Arts-based programming has never been stronger. The arts are crucial to our mental well-being, to our confidence and to our imagination. We have an obligation to help prepare our kids so that they can embrace the many choices and opportunities in this exciting 21st century.

Team ArtHouse, you've been absolutely awesome! Your commitment to our young people, your unconditional support for them and your consistent presence at each of our community locations is exemplary. Gemma, Taylor and Steven, thank you so much for walking the walk! And we all extend our sincere thanks to our fantastic Instructors and Volunteers. You make it all work and we know that because it shows on the faces of each young person we support.

To each of our many program partners, thank you so much for "believing" in us and with us. You are all helping multiply the impact of the work that we are doing together.

I am hugely grateful to our Board Members, each of whom provides strong leadership. We have something pretty special going on and I am deeply indebted to you for your passion, enthusiasm and commitment to our mission.

And saving the best to last, we have founding donors, sponsors and granting organizations and more recent contributors – each of you gives us the confidence to plan and implement programming that we are convinced can positively impact lives. We are deeply indebted to you for your generosity and your important "investment" in our young people.

Sincerely,

Don Pangman, Founder and Executive Director

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