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Young Audiences

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Our Mission

Young Audiences of Northeast Texas uses the arts to enrich the lives of children and enhance their education.

Young Audiences of Northeast Texas is dedicated to bringing quality arts-in-education experiences to Northeast Texas schools. We believe every child in every school should be receiving a well-rounded education which includes the arts.

About Us

Who We Are

Young Audiences, Arts for Learning of Northeast Texas is an affiliate of one of the oldest and most respected arts-in-education organizations in the nation. For over twenty years Young Audiences of Northeast Texas has brought quality arts-in-education experiences into northeast Texas schools, using the arts to enrich the lives of children and enhance their education.

What We Do

Since 1997, Young Audiences of Northeast Texas has provided arts experiences—music, painting, poetry, writing, storytelling, acting and dancing in the public, private and charter schools throughout northeast Texas. These programs are provided by local, state and national Young Audiences teaching artists.

Why It's Important

Young Audiences' artists engage and empower children through imagination, creativity and innovation. Success in school, work and life depends on it. Our work promotes positive self-expression, develops creative and critical thinking skills, and expands children's understanding of themselves and the world in which they live.

The arts expand a child's love of learning and help develop nimble and rigorous thinkers who grow into engaged citizens. Creativity is a critical part of our foundation and a necessary building block in learning, life and success.

From the Executive Director



“The arts play a critical role in providing our kids with a whole and complete education. Your level of commitment to our students inspires me.”

As I reflect on the last year, I am amazed with the number of arts experiences we brought to the students, teachers and schools of Northeast Texas. Without the incredible generosity of our donors, sponsors and grantors it would be impossible for us to impact so many young lives! The arts play a critical role in providing our kids with a whole and complete education. Your level of commitment to our students inspires me.

The students of Northeast Texas saw more live, artist performances than ever before. More teachers participated in our arts-integrated professional development than in years past, and we began work with Longview ISD's South Ward Elementary in becoming an arts-integrated school. Our dance program is in its 14th year, currently active in 2 Tyler ISD middle schools and the elementary, middle and high schools in Winona ISD.

In April we celebrated 6 exceptional fine arts teachers at our 8th Annual Arts in Education Awards. In recognition of a lifetime of service to Young Audiences, we renamed our most prestigious award,

the Kay Arms Lifetime Achievement Award. Kay's persistence, grit and determined compassion have been the driving force behind YA since day one. Our Northeast Texas Poetry in Schools Contest continues to be one of our most rewarding and fulfilling programs, reaching nearly one thousand students each year. We hear stories year after year about the impact this program has on northeast Texas students. The power of writing is often an antidote to daily life struggles. We are grateful to be able to continue this 40 plus year tradition.

A well-rounded education is key to building a 21st century workforce. Students who participate in the arts are better prepared to succeed in school, work and life.

Thank you for your support of our students, teachers and schools!



Numbers at a Glance

Program Reach



951
TEACHERS
PARTICIPATED IN
A YA PROGRAM



48 ARTISTS
PRESENTED
1318
PROGRAMS IN
103
SCHOOLS



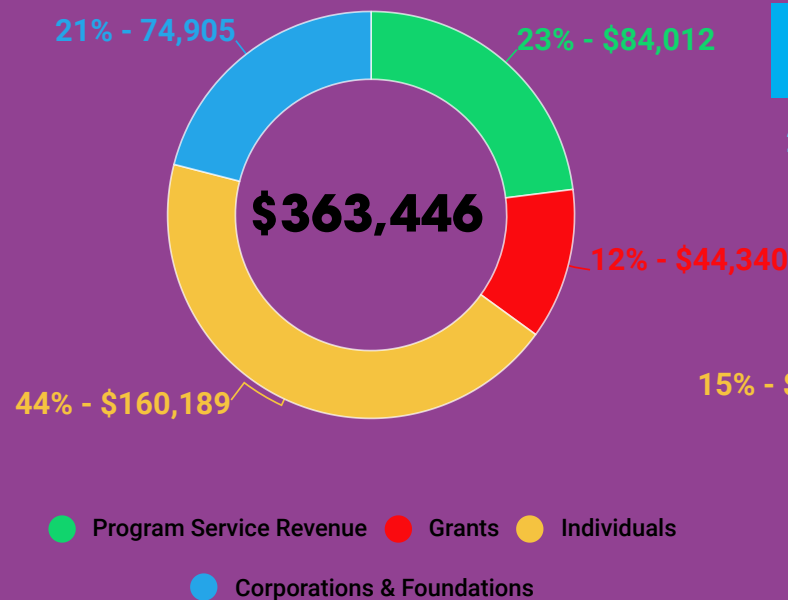
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OF SCHOOLS SERVED ARE
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CAMPUSES



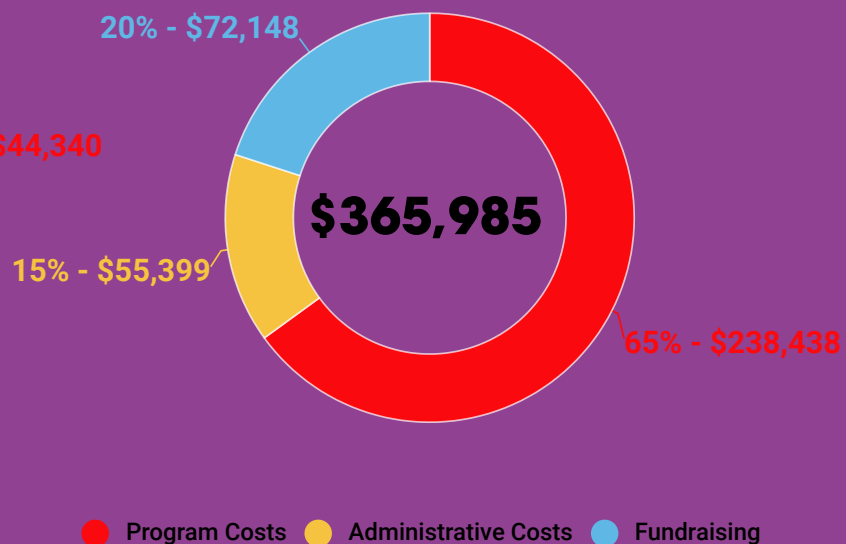
OVER
50,000
STUDENTS WERE IMPACTED
BY A YA PROGRAM

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2018-19 INCOME



2018-19 EXPENSES



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Arts In Education Awards 2019



2019 Honorees: Kristin Pool, Chauncy Williams, Dana Sepko, Laura Swartz, Amy Clemens, Adrienne Stine, Amy Bailey

2019 marked the 8th year of our program, recognizing exemplary achievement in arts education.

Arts educators from any public, private or charter school located in the Region 7 geographic area are eligible for nomination.

Visit www.yanetexas.org for more information.

Nominations for the 2020 Awards will be accepted until January 18, 2020
The 2020 Arts in Education Awards will be held on April 16, 2020

Northeast Texas Poetry In Schools 2019

Young Audiences is proud to present an annual poetry contest for students in the Northeast Texas region, in partnership with Region 7 Education Service Center, InSpirity, and Rusk County Poetry Society. Each year nearly 1000 students, grades 1-12 submit their poems.



Mary-Beth Brown, 12th grade winner – Carthage High School (pictured with the Rusk County Poetry Society)

Important Dates for the 2020 Contest

- February 1, 2020 - Submissions Open
- March 1, 2020 - Submissions Close
- April 22, 2020 - Awards Ceremony



Young Audiences of Northeast Texas' dance program is focused on the critical adolescent school years and is designed to teach the art of dance and promote creativity, critical thinking, cultural awareness, communication, and learning across all subjects. The program is currently active in 2 Tyler ISD middle schools and the elementary, middle and high schools in Winona ISD.

The program provides an opportunity for girls to gain dance experience prior to high school while also developing a positive self-image. "Creating Balance through Dance" uses dance terminology, technique and choreography as the foundation for the residency, over laid with journaling and team work that explores the challenges they face daily. Different dance styles including Jazz, Ballet, Lyrical, Folk and Hip-Hop are covered throughout the program.



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