



Young Audiences
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ANNUAL REPORT: 2020



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Young Audiences of Northeast Texas is an affiliate of Young Audiences Arts for Learning, Inc., the nation's largest arts-in-education network. Comprised of 30 local affiliates, the YA Network serves more than 5 million children and youth each year in more than 7,000 schools across the country.

Young Audiences serves students, teachers and schools with Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) aligned performances, workshops, residencies and professional development in all arts disciplines to as many as 50,000 students and 450 teachers in over 350 schools annually. These programs are provided by local, state and national Young Audiences teaching artists.

The arts expand a child's love of learning and help develop nimble and rigorous thinkers who grown into engaged citizens.

From the Executive Director



When I wrote this letter last year, I had no idea what the next 12 months were going to bring. Our world is forever changed and at Young Audiences of Northeast Texas, we are seeing this as an opportunity to adapt our programming to meet the needs of the school community. Education looks very different and the ARTS can be the example of how to adapt creatively!

In a time when schools are faced with likely the most difficult and hard to overcome obstacles because of COVID-19, the ARTS are more important than ever. The purpose of art is to produce thinking. Art is less about mechanics or technical skill, but the process of

understanding human experience, developing creative problem-solving skills, and communicating thoughts and ideas in a variety of ways. It this time of uncertainty and change, the arts can provide the safety and comfort that both students and teachers so desperately need.

As I review the donor list on page 2, I am struck by the commitment and dedication you have shown to the students, teachers, and schools in northeast Texas. Without YOU we would not be able to impact so many young lives! More than 60,000 student interaction last year!

Enjoy the look back at our art-filled year! Even in the middle of a global pandemic, we served our students, honored outstanding teachers, and changed schools - and our donors and supporters made it happen - thank you!!!

Numbers at a Glance

Program Reach

OVER **60,000** STUDENTS WERE IMPACTED BY A YA PROGRAM



PRESENTED **37** ARTISTS



1171 PROGRAMS IN

2191 TEACHERS PARTICIPATED IN A YA PROGRAM

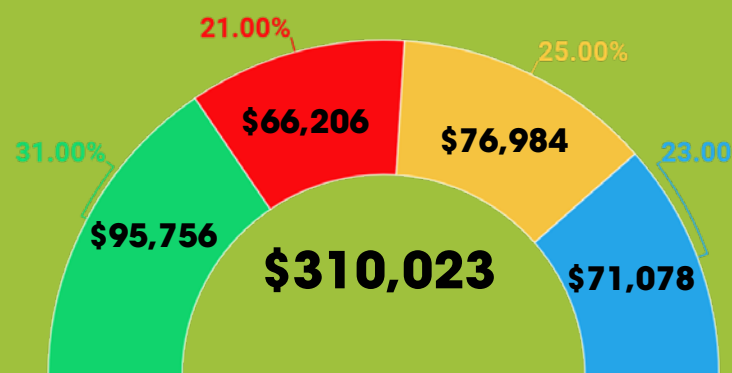


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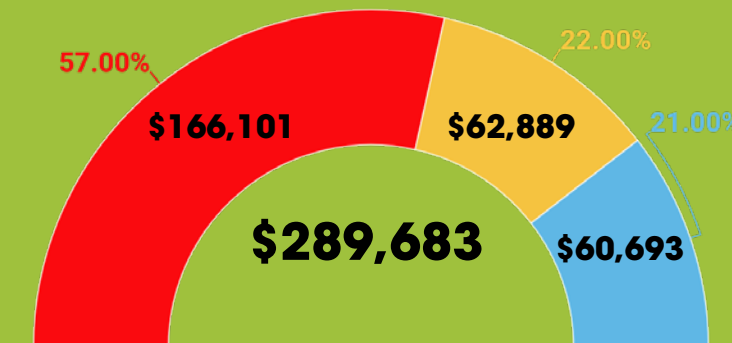


Financials

2019-20 INCOME



2019-20 EXPENSES



● Program Revenue ● Grants ● Individuals
 ● Corporations & Foundations

● Program Costs ● Admin ● Fundraising

Our Generous Donors

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Signature Events

Arts In Education Awards ²⁰²⁰



2020 Honorees L-R: (Top Row) Regi Fowler, Bobi Jo Friesen, Angela Jennings, Kelly Laminack (Bottom Row) Amanda Dunn Meelkop, Jamie Reason, Ricardo Rodriguez

2020 marked the 9th year of our program recognizing, exemplary achievement in arts education. Due to the impact of COVID-19 on our community the 2020 awards ceremony and dinner was cancelled. Thanks to our amazing media partner, KETK-TV we were able to honor our award winners during a week-long segment on Live at 5!

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

Nominations for the 2021 Awards will be accepted until Jan 17, 2021
2021 Arts In Education Awards – April 15, 2021

Northeast Texas Poetry In Schools ²⁰²⁰

Young Audiences, Arts for Learning of northeast Texas 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.



2020 12th grade winner, Olivia Donnelly
 Mineola Fine Arts Co-op



Important Dates for the 2021 Contest

- February 1 - March 1, 2021 - Submissions Open
- April 28, 2021 - Awards Ceremony

Creating Balance Through Dance



Young Audiences of Northeast Texas' dance program, now in its fifteenth year, is focused on the critical adolescent years and is designed to teach the art of dance and to promote creativity, critical thinking, cultural awareness, communication, and learning across all subjects. The program is currently active in three middle schools and one high school.

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

We have partnered with the TJC Dance Department and are thrilled to welcome two, new Young Audiences teaching artists, Shelby Goldstein and Hannah Bunn. Both Teaching Artists are graduates of the Tyler Junior College Dance Program.

Creating Balance through Dance teaches students that physical activity, creativity, teamwork, and individuality are all things to be cultivated and celebrated within themselves. By building dance classes into their school-day routines, students can clearly see the connections between dance and academics, encouraging them to achieve success in both.

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