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JUNEAU **Arts &
Humanities**
COUNCIL

The Juneau Arts & Humanities Council cultivates vibrant arts and cultural opportunities and is a leader in building a strong, prosperous community where creativity and innovation thrive.

Through our core values of Community, Equity, and Stewardship, we work to bolster access to the arts and culture in our city.

The Direction

The JAHC is in the process of refocusing much of its work on educational programs and initiatives. We currently have a grant through Margaret A. Cargill Philanthropies (MACP), which enables our collaboration with the School District in creating artist residencies in classrooms, and additional arts activities for Juneau's youth. This grant will carry activities through August 2025. Now, we're focusing on creating additional sustainable education infrastructure so that activities don't fall flat at that time.

Last year alone, we created over 25,000 points of interaction with the arts for Juneau residents, and helped empower over 200 artists through our lobby shop, gallery program, scholarships, classes, and more.

Technically Art

This by-donation series of workshops focuses on bringing professional arts skills to youth and adults alike.

Stress Free Art Night

These free-to-attend art nights at the JACC are freeform and open for everyone.

Future Programs

We are holding continual collaborative dialogue with key partner agencies to increase how we can create impact in the arts for Juneau.



The Need

Accessible Arts Education

Given the financial crisis in our school district, ensuring high-functioning accessible and equitable education experiences is paramount. Funding community programs through major grants is a proven, cost effective method of creating arts education that will operate parallel to the lack of these programs in JSD for the foreseeable future.

Juneau's Creative Economy

By creating sustained access to these community programs through grant funding, we aim to maintain productive functionality of our creative economic pipeline.

Procedural Change

We are highlighting the importance of education initiatives for grant applications we receive. We cannot control what these organizations choose to request funding for, but we can set the criteria for our independent grant panel to follow when deciding amounts to award.



The Impact



Alaska Independent Musicians Initiative (AKIMI)

With \$8,000 awarded last year, AKIMI has been diligently laying groundwork and carving out space for growth in the independent music sector.



KTOO

With \$10,000 awarded last year, KTOO was able to host Mga Kuwento, an important look at Filipino history in Southeast Alaska.



Juneau Alaska Music Matters (JAMM)

With \$7,500 awarded last year, JAMM was able to continue its operations as a unique after-school program that combines music education with Indigenous language practice to create an exploration of storytelling, performance, and creativity.

The Strategy

The JAHC plans to...

- Service 16+ annual funding requests from partner organizations in greater capacities
- Create new instances of arts education in previously underserved areas
- Implement more accessible workshops, classes, and experiences to equip artists and young people for success

Through these activities we will...

- Help carry arts education during the JSD financial crisis
- Empower Juneau's arts economy in greater capacities
- Grow Juneau's vibrancy through collaboration and access

To do this we will need...

- Increased staffing to drive new initiatives
- High quality materials and supplies to better serve all of Juneau
- More financial freedom to explore, innovate, and create



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Thank You!

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