Durham Arts Council
Supporting & Growing The Arts!
Highlights of Fiscal Year 2016

Creating a Vibrant Community Through The Arts
Durham Arts Council

VISION

We envision a community where creativity and the arts are highly valued, positive and transformative forces in Durham’s cultural, educational, and economic life. We envision an excellent and sustainable arts and cultural sector that is vital to quality of life in Durham.

Creating a Vibrant Community Through The Arts
From the President

Welcome to the Durham Arts Council Annual Highlights Report for fiscal year 2016. I am proud to be President of the Durham Arts Council Board of Trustees this year. Each day I see the tireless work of this organization providing arts programs and services to support artists and arts and cultural organizations, as well as inspiring creativity in nearly 400,000 adults and children in our community who participate in DAC programs and events.

My volunteer involvement with the Durham Arts Council goes back 33 years! (I really was very young when I started.) I am still so inspired by how the arts can positively impact people’s lives, especially our community’s children.

The arts and the Durham Arts Council positively change lives! And that’s why I support the Durham Arts Council. I encourage you to participate in and support Arts Council programs and be a part of building our creative, vibrant Durham community!

Senator Mike Woodard
President,
Durham Arts Council
Board of Trustees

From the Executive Director

The Durham Arts Council has had a dynamic year of growth and strategic planning; evaluating our programs, listening to participants, and preparing to launch our new 5 year plan.

We are proud that in FY2016, DAC provided over $1.2 million in direct support to the arts sector in Durham through grants, teaching and performance contracts, arts jobs, art commissions, and sales opportunities. DAC’s economic impact locally grew 8% to $10.5 million, and our total people served last year increased 12% to 393,209 children and adults. Especially meaningful are the excited children learning in our CAPS programs in the schools - building their academic skills through arts-based learning; and over 3,800 adults and children discovering creative talents in DAC School classes.

My favorite part of each day is walking through the beautiful art galleries at DAC, seeing people of all ages experience the creative voices of our diverse Durham community through the art on display. Your support is what makes our work possible. Thank you!

Sherry L. DeVries
Executive Director
Durham Arts Council
Durham Arts Council

Is the Major Provider of Arts Programs & Services for Artists and Arts Organizations, and the Public in Durham

• Operates and manages a major arts facility
• Provides year round programs and services
• Supports and helps develop the arts community and arts support
Durham: A Leading Creative Economy

- Based on 2012 Arts & Economic Prosperity IV Study commissioned & funded by Durham Arts Council for Durham:
  - $125.5 Million in Economic Impact Annually via nonprofit arts & cultural organizations and their audiences in Durham.
  - 4,550 FTE Jobs Supported
Durham Arts Council
A Major Economic Impact in Durham

• Based on Arts & Economic Prosperity IV Study commissioned & funded by DAC for Durham:

• Durham Arts Council & its audiences provided Economic Impact of:

  • FY2012 = $8.7 Million

  • FY2013 = $10.9 Million

  • FY2014 = $11.4 Million

  • FY2015 = $9.7 Million

  FY2016 = $10.5 Million
Durham Arts Council Attracts Visitors & Residents to Downtown

- **Annual Attendance to all DAC programs and events on-site and off-site has grown 168% in 12 years**
  - FY2002: 160,416
  - FY2016: 393,209
  *FY2008 under renovations for 8 months
  *FY2012 Under renovations for 9 months

- **Building attendance has grown 139% since FY02.**

Including building visitors, festival attendance and other programs, DAC is the 4th largest visitor attraction in downtown Durham, delivering important economic impact and enhancing quality of the community.
Durham Arts Council
Provides Jobs and Financial Support to the Arts Sector

• In FY2016 DAC provided over $1.2 million in cash funds to local artists, creative sector workers, & arts organizations.

• In FY2016 DAC supported and assisted over 1,897 artists and 255 arts and cultural organizations through programs, services, grants, contract fees, teaching income, salaries, and art work sales.
Building Capacity and Talent to Support the Mission

- Current 10 Full time employees
  - 2 Part time
- Plus Summer seasonal hires
  - Goal: 12 FTE
- 200+ contract teaching artists & performers each year

Mission
Durham Arts Council, Inc. is a catalyst in the cultural development of Durham - it leads, inspires, and promotes excellence in and access to the creation, experience and active support of the arts for all the people of our community.
New Management Contract with City

Ensuring a Long Term Home for DAC and The Arts Community in Downtown Durham
2013 – 2033 (10 yr + two 5 yr extension options)

• FY16 is Year 3 of new contract
• Advocating for and managing ongoing facility improvements
• Arts Council presents and hosts 5,000 events and programs each year in the building for nearly 400,000 visitors.

Durham Arts Council
Makes Arts Participation Possible & Accessible

• The community and arts organizations rely on DAC as the home for the arts in their community – where they can participate, create & be supported in their artistic work.

• 5,000 arts events, rehearsals, meetings, performances, classes & community events annually at DAC.
CenterFest Arts Festival!

DAC produces the longest running street arts festival in North Carolina, and the largest arts & cultural festival in Durham. 3rd Weekend in September

- Features 140+ juried visual artists from across the United States and 72 performing acts on six stages.
- 34,000-35,000 Visitors in heart of downtown Durham!
* Major Sponsorship/Partnership with Durham Rotary Club
Durham Arts Council’s CAPS Program
CAPS provided Core Curriculum Through The Arts
for 23,611 Students in 5 County Region in FY2016

- The CAPS program partners with public and private schools. Funded by school systems, PTAs, corporate and Annual Arts Fund donors. Developed new admin system with DPS helped us achieve 100% school funds utilization for the first time.

- CAPS also serves at-risk youth in Title 1 Schools and Lakeview School. Neal School literacy program model “Stories Come to Life” improved reading/writing

- Launched new programs with Senior Centers and Veterans Administration
Why Is Arts Participation So Important to a Community?

- **Development of a creative workforce**
- **Life-long learning & enrichment**
- **Arts participation opportunities add to quality of life and desirability of community.**

"The success of my family’s business depends on finding and cultivating a creative and innovative workforce. When we participate personally in the arts, we strengthen our ‘creativity muscles,’ which makes us not just a better ceramicist or chorus member, but a more creative worker – better able to identify challenges and innovative business solutions.” Christopher Forbes, Vice Chairman, Forbes, Inc.
DAC Grants Programs provide cash and facility use to artists and arts organizations based in or creating their art in Durham.

- In FY2016 DAC accomplished moving all its grant programs to online application platforms.

- Increased cash grants 2%
  Total Cash Grants: $179,442
  Total Space Grants: $286,139

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DAC Grant Programs provide cash and facility support to artists and arts organizations based in or creating their art in Durham. *Cash grants funded by Annual Arts Fund individual and corporate donors, Duke Energy Foundation, the Fletcher Performing Arts Fund, plus a North Carolina Arts Council state grant. Space grants provided through DAC Building.*

**FY16 Organizational Grant Recipients:**

- African American Dance Ensemble
- American Dance Festival
- Art of Cool Jazz Festival
- Arts For Life
- BUMP the Triangle
- Carlota Santana Spanish Dance
- Carolina Theatre
- Carolina Wren Press
- Choral Society of Durham
- Collage Dance Company
- The Durham Art Guild
- Durham Central Park
- Durham Children’s Choir
- The Durham Community Chorale
- Durham Community Concert Band
- Durham Regional Theatre
- Durham Savoyards,Ltd.
- The Durham Symphony Orchestra
- Full Frame Doc. Film Festival
- Gaspard and Dancers
- KidZNotes
- Legacy Repertory Company
- Little Green Pig Theatrical Concern
- Mallarme Chamber Players
- Manbites Dog Theater Company
- North Carolina Youth Tap Ensemble
- Threshold
- 100 Men in Black
- Southeastern Regional Ballet Festival
- Southern Documentary Fund
- St. Joseph’s Historic Foundation/Hayti Heritage Center
- Terreiro de Arte e Cultura
- The Scrap Exchange
- Triangle Gay Men’s Chorus
- Triangle Youth Ballet
- Voices
- Walltown Children’s Theatre
- Young People's Performing Co.
DAC Gallery Exhibitions Showcase
Diverse Artists and Cultures

- DAC houses 4 professional galleries that are open free to the public 7 days a week. Plus DAC programs exhibits in the Durham Convention Center.

FY16 DAC mounted 17 exhibitions with 99 artists showcased

- FY16 DAC hosted “Yo Soy El Quixote” featuring 32 Hispanic and Latino artists from NC

The Emerging Artists Grant Program
Celebrating its 32nd Anniversary

Established in 1984, the Emerging Artists Grant Program serves Durham, Chatham, Granville, Orange and Person Counties. Funded by the state, Mary Duke Biddle Foundation, and private donors.

- 500 Emerging Artist Grants totaling $553,456 have been awarded over the program’s 32 years (2016)

Past Emerging Artists Grant recipients include:

- Nicholas Kitchen
  - Internationally known violinist
  - Received the Albert Schweitzer Medallion for Artistry
  - Named a Presidential Scholar in the Arts

- Nnenna Freelon
  - 6 time Grammy nominated jazz vocalist

- Francis Vega
  - Local artist-blacksmith and owner of Vega Metals, Inc.
  - Internationally known for his work in various metals

“Healing” by Cynthia Aldrich, Emerging Artist 2002-2003
Durham Arts Council Partners With Artists and Downtown Businesses to Produce

The Largest Walking Artist Tour in the State

- Each year 5,000 to 8,000 visitors attended Art Walk events produced by DAC.
- Featuring 35 - 40 downtown sites and the work of 400 local artists.
- Art Walk is not juried to allow artists at all levels to participate.
- Includes music, entertainment and family activities
- 30+ sponsors
The DAC SCHOOL
FY16 the School provided 649 classes, workshops, lessons and camps each year to 3,848 adults, teens, and children:

Durham Arts Council provides more than $15,000 in scholarships to children and teens each year.
FY16 - 1,853 children enrolled in the DAC School Summer Arts Camps, and Intersession Camps designed for rising kindergartners to 13 year-olds.

Fun Cultural Themes each summer teach children about world cultures & history through the arts.

New Send a Kid to Camp scholarship grant of $4,000 from Triangle Community Foundation!
DAC Operates Two Clay Studios

- In 2011, DAC funded and up-fitted a large clay studio off-site at Northgate Mall in addition to its smaller clay studio in the DAC Building.

- In FY16 a record 793 students enrolled in DAC Clay Studio programs. FY15 was 567
DAC Provides Leadership to develop and grow the arts:

- Arts & Economy Research
- Creative Economy Events & Workshops
- Cultural Master Plan development; Cultural Advisory Board
- Durham Performing Arts Center Oversight Committee
- DDI Advisory Board, Chamber of Commerce Board
- Local & Statewide arts advocacy; Arts NC Board
- Public Art Committee and Library Art Committee
- Arts Education Task Force
- Arts North Carolina Board
- Designated Local Arts Agency by state
DAC Arts Leadership, Advocacy

DAC Provides Leadership & Implements Creative Economy Initiatives:

• In FY2016 DAC continued to lead the SmART Initiative with NCAC, City, County, and community partners. Applied for/Awarded NEA grant.

SmART Initiative – Durham, NC
Creating an Arts & Entertainment District in downtown Durham

• The Durham Arts Council, lead local agency for the SmART Initiative, completed and unveiled the Durham SmART Vision Plan in June 2015 to transform downtown Durham into a major regional destination for art, culture and entertainment.

The concepts of the SmART Vision Plan will help Durham fully connect and leverage current and future cultural, retail, restaurant, and entertainment assets downtown. Based upon creative place-making concepts, such as public art, additional wayfinding, pedestrian and streetscape amenities, program overlays and lighting and urban landscape design, this arts driven economic development strategy can be a key factor in downtown Durham’s future development and continued success.
The SmART Vision Plan is a ten-year strategy that has received ongoing annual support from the North Carolina Arts Council as one of their 4 SmART Initiative communities in N.C.

The Durham SmART Initiative is creating a vibrant arts and entertainment corridor in downtown Durham to:

- Improve walkability and connectivity for all pedestrians – residents and visitors.
- Maintain and showcase Durham's unique character and assets as corridor changes dramatically.
- Increase spending in arts venues, hotels, restaurants, shops and bars.
- Encourage private developers and the public sector to invest in public art and artscape plan.
SmART Initiative – Durham, NC
Amazing Public/Private Partnerships

PARTNERS

• North Carolina Arts Council
• Durham Arts Council – lead local agency
• City of Durham Office of Economic & Workforce Dev.
• City Manager Office, County Manager Office
• City of Durham Transportation Dept.
• Regional – Triangle Transit
• Cultural Advisory Board, Public Art Committee
• City – Bull City Connector
• City/County of Durham Planning Dept.
• Downtown Durham Inc.
• Durham Conv. & Visitors Bureau
• Duke University & NCCU
• Durham Area Designers Group
• Durham History Museum
• American Tobacco District
• DPAC and Durham Bulls
• Golden Belt, Scrap Exchange
• Hayti Heritage Center
• Full Frame Doc Film Fest, American Dance Festival
• Carolina Theatre
• Museum of Durham History
DAC led the creation of SmART Vision Plan with Mikyoung Kim Design – completed in June 2015.
Durham Arts Council Awarded NEA “Our Town” Grant to Launch SmART Vision Plan Implementation

$100,000 – top U.S. level award.

Places DAC & Durham on national stage of creative placemaking
## FY2015 and FY2016
### DURHAM ARTS COUNCIL SUMMARY FINANCIALS

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Source: Independent Audits; Minor, Anglin & Associates, P.A. Certified Public Accountants
THANK YOU TO OUR MAJOR SUPPORTERS!
(5K AND UP)

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Keith and Brenda Brodie
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We are grateful for the support of our community, Thank YOU!

This donor and sponsor list acknowledges support given July 1, 2015-June 30, 2016. Every effort has been made to include your name. Please let us know if we have made any errors or omissions by calling our development department at (919)560-2707.

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DAC Arts Community Star
$100,000 and up
City of Durham – Facility Management Contract
National Endowment for the Arts
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