



Youth Arts Collective

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Carmel Art Festival
P.O. Box 7191
Carmel, CA 93921

Dear Hella , Pam and Tammi and Our Friends at the Carmel Art Festival,

Everyone at Youth Arts Collective, our board, staff, and members, thanks you for your recent phenomenal donation of \$5,000.00, which we received on 12/20/2018. Thank you for your tremendous support, over these many years, in helping us to inspire creativity, kindness, and confidence in our youth through artistic expression and mutual respect. It means so much to us!

Because of you there is a place in this county where high school and college artists can develop their skills, and be a part of an artistic, impassioned and compassionate group of peers and adult mentors. Without your support we could never have taken YAC to where it is today, offering more opportunity to more kids than ever. Each donation means so much to us and goes directly to our program.

For nearly nineteen years, Youth Arts Collective has provided long term personal and effective mentoring, art and life skills instruction, supplies, equipment, studio space and exhibition opportunities for over 800 local youth.

Your generosity helps Youth Arts Collective provide the following to the YACsters, six days a week, four hours each day, year-round:

- Comprehensive, compassionate mentoring by professional artists
- Built-in emotional support system and life skills mentoring
- A culturally diverse community and safe place
- Studios for all mediums of painting and drawing, airbrush, fabric arts, digital photograph, ceramics, and sculptures
- Art supplies, tools, art reference library, and computer lab
- Gallery space with year-round shows
- Community art exhibitions, sales, and commission opportunities
- Portfolio development, including online
- Encouragement and empowerment to pursue a higher education
- Help with college choices, applications, and recommendations
- Nutritious food (nobody starves)
- Further art education through visiting artist workshops
- Promotional and life skills development
- Income through art sales, scholarships, jobs, and internships

Your vote of confidence and faith in our mission has given us all here at YAC the energy and resolve to help so many local young people develop into their best, most creative selves and to help them design better lives as a result. It's been a successful and hopeful investment in their futures and in our community's culture.

A heartfelt thank you for your faith, hope, and charity from all of us at YAC! Thank you, also, for all the good you do for our community! Do Art. Be Kind.

With Warmest Regards and Deepest Gratitude,

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