

Enspire Arts

Annual Report 2019-2020

OUR NEW MISSION STATEMENT

Enspire Arts believes in the power of creativity to empower youth and enrich our communities. We create vibrant and interactive arts experiences that promote well-being, learning & connection.

The Team

Board of Directors

President: Sarah Lightfoot

Arts Ambassador

Scholarship Chair:

Jennifer Neal

Treasurer: Erick Shore

Business Development

Specialist: Michele Yellitiz

Support Roles

Administrative Assistant &

Recording Secretary:

Tegan Steen

Mental Health Liaison:

Kristin Harper

Volunteers:

Support team of 20
volunteers

AFTER SCHOOL ARTS EXPLORATION

HOUGH ELEMENTARY

The Hough Foundation sponsored two 10 week sessions of after school programs to Hough Elementary for students in grades 3-5. Our 2nd session was cut short due to the COVID-19 school closure but we continued with some online videos and moved our curriculum online for a summer camp.

McLOUGHLIN MIDDLE SCHOOL

Columbia Presbyterian Church sponsored a 10 week program for students in grades 6-8.

REFLECTIONS

Programs were increased at both Hough Elementary and McLoughlin Middle School this year and we hope to see further extensions of the program next school year at both sites. Capacity of each program serves 15 students.



Student Testimonials



- "I have become more outgoing."
- "Enspire Arts classes have helped me to be kind."
- "I like art because art is inspiration and it makes me less shy."
- "I love art because I think I have become a better person."
- "I've become more creative."

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GALA HIGHLIGHTS



CELEBRATION GALA: Swing & Sweets



The "Swing & Sweets" Gala was held on October 5, 2019 at The Brickstone Ballroom in downtown Vancouver. What a wonderful night celebrating the arts, our Arts Ambassadors and the mission of Enspire Arts!

Our fabulous line up of guest artists included:

Master of Ceremonies:

Dr. Charlene Williams Camas School District Asst. Superintendent

Keynote Speaker:

Dr. Mary Templeton Washougal School District Superintendent

Swing Dancers: Melissa Roane & Colin Livesey

Live Music & Vocals: Dustin Hunley

Southern Washington Boychoir

Scrumptious Dessert Table supplied with generous donations from businesses around Clark County

Attendance: 75 guests

Guest Testimonial

"Enspire Arts' annual gala is the celebration of the culmination of so much progress, accomplishment, awards and volunteerism. It is the time when providers and participants of the non-profit's programs come together to be inspired about their arts from the past year, and blow life into new aspirations for the coming year. This event has historically been very enjoyable for members of the community with music by local artists, a dance lesson for attendees, & guest speakers. Each gala I've attended has inspired me to be a more active voice in the community about the value of the arts for our students." Andrew Schafer

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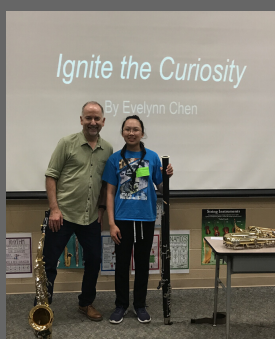


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ARTS AMBASSADORS IN ACTION



2019 ARTS AMBASSADORS



Evelyn Chen: Ignite the Curiosity

Evelyn presented "Ignite the Curiosity" to 5th grade students at Illahee and Fishers Landing elementary schools. She shared her personal journey as a musician to 225 students!

"Without this opportunity of giving back to the community, I would've never done anything like this, and it was so heartwarming to see these kids wave goodbye to me, see former teachers, and for kids to recognize me whenever I go to these schools, or when I pick my sister up from her bus." Evelyn Chen



Maggie Cole: Sharing the Love of Theater

Maggie presented a holiday music recital at two assisted living facilities. Over 100 Residents of Creekside Place and Mallard Landing were treated to Maggie performing a medley of theater and holiday tunes.

"Seeing the joy on everyone's face made the project priceless. Many people started singing with me and it felt as if they were transported to a very joyful time in their lives. I learned music theatre is enjoyed by all ages and can bring joy to all circumstances." Maggie Cole

Arts Ambassadors receive a \$500 scholarship towards study in their chosen artistic field. All Arts Ambassadors are assisted by an Enspire Arts mentor to complete an arts based community gift designed to create a meaningful and positive contribution to Clark County.

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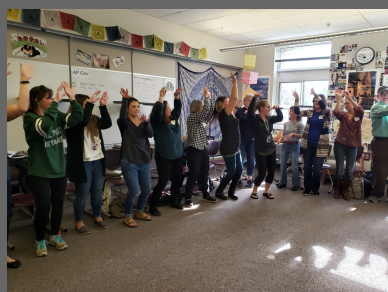
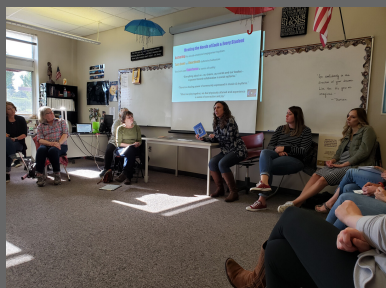


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TEACHER WORKSHOPS



THE ARTS, EDUCATION & STUDENT WELLNESS

Camas School District Equity Conference

October 11, 2019

Can You See Me Now?

Morning Session: Enspire Arts, President, Sarah Lightfoot led a 1 hour breakout session sharing "**Teacher Power Tools**" providing arts based tools for making meaningful connections and engage all learners. The session was well received and packed with over 40 teachers!

Afternoon Session: Sarah led a 3 hour **Teacher Toolkit** workshop at Lacamas Lake Elementary. This session expanded on the 5 key Power Tools and teachers gained hands on experience with several arts based activities. Teachers left ready to implement new tools in their classroom with confidence and a sense of fun!

Teacher Testimonial:

Amy Campbell 2020 Washington State Teacher of the Year

"I had the pleasure of attending a recent Enspire Arts workshop at a district training and was thrilled with the variety of practical and easy to implement strategies we were provided for immediate use in our classrooms. The workshop atmosphere was warm and welcoming and the instructor was extremely knowledgeable and struck a perfect balance of hands on activities and instruction."

DONATIONS

How Donations Help

- Provide Scholarships, Provide Free Community Events, Provide Supplies & Instruments, Contribute to Operating Budget

Donations Received

- Monetary Donations Sept 1 2019 - Aug 31 2020: Total: \$5,000
- NIA Gilbert Fund \$500
- In Kind Goods & Services

Thanks so much to our valuable Sponsors & Community Partners

