20 YEARS OF ARTWELL
ArtWell is a Philadelphia-based 501(c)(3) nonprofit providing educational, arts-based programs for youth and communities facing discrimination, poverty, violence, and the everyday challenges of growing up.

Founded in 2000 in response to chronic community violence in Philadelphia neighborhoods, ArtWell has since partnered with more than 400 organizations, serving more than 40,500 participants across the Greater Philadelphia region.

theArtWell.org

FRONT COVER: PHOTOGRAPH FROM “BLACK JOY PROJECT” AT PARKWAY NORTHWEST, BY ARTIST SONJA GALIBER, 2020
RIGHT: SELF-PORTRAIT BY JINAE, 4TH GRADE, RHoads, 2019
Dear Friends,

The start of the school year always generates so much invigorating excitement. Our anticipation is tangible in the office and during orientations, as our teaching artists prepare to inspire youth in classrooms for another year. We also began the 2019/2020 program year in special recognition of the 20th anniversary of ArtWell's founding. We could hardly count the days until our biennial ArtWell Awards, when we would gather in high spirits and celebrate our honorees, our partners, and the arts.

As you can imagine, this year did not happen as we hoped. The challenge of Covid-19 was unprecedented. We could not have expected reaching our young people from behind a screen rather than within the classroom. We did not project having to mark our anniversary from our homes out of a duty to keep each other safe. Yet we did not hang back; our team worked to make the immediate transition to virtual programming. Our teaching artists adapted their lessons to fit an online approach, tirelessly working to customize our programs to the needs of each of our partners. And we made the ArtWell website a hub of arts and learning resources during the pandemic. Immense gratitude goes toward valued foundations for their generosity, and the support of a PPP loan to carry out our programs.

ArtWell’s stance against racial injustice and support for Black, indigenous, and communities of color continues to be unwavering. We believe that the calls to action that took long-awaited precedence in our nation this past year align with the central tenets of our mission: supporting young people to awaken their dreams and reimagine a future in which they thrive. We encourage you to visit our website for a look at our work focusing on social justice. In addition, over the course of the nationwide protests, we curated an inclusive list of anti-racism and social justice resources with the hope that it would support our students, educators, and parents in their healing and conversations.

As we celebrate two decades of engagement with our students and communities, we have never felt more passionate about the need for our mission in action and the possibilities imaginable when our creativity and imagination are activated together. It is in this continued pursuit that we see a brighter, stronger future, where justice and love lead the way.

We will continue to be here for change and are especially grateful for your partnership and support of our students and communities.

Sincerely,

Rev. Susan Teegen
ArtWell Founder & Executive Director

Due to postponement and fiscal year alignment, coverage of the 2020 ArtWell Awards will appear in our next annual report.
ARTWELL CORE PROGRAMS

Since 2000, ArtWell has had the honor of working with hundreds of amazing partners including schools, libraries, diverse faith-based organizations, and health and social-service providers to serve up to 1500 participants per year across the Greater Philadelphia region.

To request a youth program or workshop, email programs@theartwell.org or visit us online at theArtWell.org.

THE ART OF GROWING LEADERS
The Art of Growing Leaders is an expansion of The Art of Growing Up program, ArtWell’s rites of passage module. Through mask-making, poetry and multi-disciplinary arts, students build trust with one another and explore their identity and aspirations, inspired by cross-cultural coming of age traditions. Later in the program, students identify their unique strengths as leaders and work together on a social action project using art for advocacy and activism.

HEARTBEAT
Launched in the fall of 2015, HeartBeat builds on more than 15 years of partnership with Marcy Francis and Jan Jeffries, ArtWell’s percussion artists in residence. HeartBeat uses the power of West African and Afro-Caribbean music and tradition as a vehicle to engage youth while integrating ArtWell’s expertise in poetry for literacy-building and reflection.

MASTERPEACE
ArtWell’s MasterPeace® program engages students and communities in large-scale arts processes such as murals, mosaics and installations to help participants overcome challenges, build bridges and lift up the strengths of their neighborhoods. Individual and community-focused projects under the Masterpeace program have led to a number of collaborative installations throughout the city, empowering individuals and restoring their neighborhoods.

WE THE POETS
The We the Poets® program, ArtWell’s longest running program, builds literacy skills, communication and self expression, and fosters a love of learning through poetry. We the Poets’ curriculum is aligned with state and core standards for grades 1-12 and has been used in Pennsylvania districts for standardized test (PSSAs) preparation tied to literacy comprehension.
ARTWELL DEEPWELL
The ArtWell DeepWell initiative provides select partner sites with multiple ArtWell core programs for students across several grade levels. The multi-program model was developed in 2015 to provide educational partners with consistent, long-term programs for deeper impact on students, and an expanded school presence in support of school staff, families, and the broader school community.


PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS
ARTWELL@WORK WORKSHOPS BY REQUEST
ArtWell@Work shares the transformative power of art, creative expression, and reflection to help adults connect more deeply with purpose and power in their work and lives.

Crafted by ArtWell staff trained in group facilitation and arts education, ArtWell@Work workshops engage teams of individuals and professionals with creative arts processes for strengthening skills and supporting various agency-specific goals such as team building, leadership development, or self-care.

↑ ArtWell@Work is priced on a sliding scale to ensure workshops are accessible to any organization or business. To learn more, email programs@theartwell.org or visit us online at theArtWell.org.

Proceeds from ArtWell@Work support our core programs for Philadelphia youth.

WOMEN OF EQUITY BY INVITATION ONLY
Supported by the Valentine Foundation and hosted by ArtWell, Women of Equity is a no-cost, peer leadership development space that invests in the power of women of color as change agents to tackle institutional race and gender bias in their organizations and beyond. Adult participants meet throughout the year to explore creative arts processes for self-care, healing, and resilience, and to share tools and knowledge on diversity, equity, and inclusion in the workplace.

SINCE ARTWELL, I’VE FOUND A NEW WAY TO EXPRESS MY FEELINGS WITHOUT FEELING VULNERABLE OR JUDGED.
ArtWell We the Poets Student, 12th Grade
Al-Aqsa Islamic Academy, 2019
IN THE CLASSROOM

How is ArtWell supporting Philadelphia youth?

- **10** During 2019/2020 ArtWell led youth arts programs and workshops at 10 sites.

- **34** ArtWell programs and workshops were held in 34 Philadelphia school classrooms.

- **600+** More than 600 hours of program and workshop instruction were provided by 17 ArtWell teaching artists.

- **1K+** In 2019/2020 ArtWell served 1,035 students across the Greater Philadelphia region.

- **40K+** Since 2000, ArtWell has partnered with more than 400 organizations and served more than 40,500 participants.
**PARTNERS**

**YOUTH PROGRAMS**

**SITE PARTNERS**
- Al-Aqsa Islamic Academy  DEEPWELL PARTNER
- Friends’ Central School
- La Salle Academy
- Saint Francis De Sales School

**INDEPENDENT & FAITH-BASED INSTITUTIONS**

**ARTWELL@WORK TRAINING & WORKSHOP PARTNERS**
- Everyone Reading
- GlaxoSmithKline
- The Institute for Relational Psychoanalysis of Philadelphia
- Keeler
- Need In Deed
- Thomas Jefferson University

**OUT-OF-SCHOOL TIME / COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS**
- Camp Sojourner Girls’ Leadership Camp  DEEPWELL PARTNER
- Need in Deed / Eliza Butler Kirkbride School

**PUBLIC / CHARTER SCHOOLS**
- Henry W. Lawton Elementary School  DEEPWELL PARTNER
- James Rhoads Elementary School  DEEPWELL PARTNER
- John H. Taggart School  DEEPWELL PARTNER
- Parkway Northwest High School  DEEPWELL PARTNER

ArtWell is an Approved School-based Partner by the School District of Philadelphia Office of Strategic Partnerships.

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It’s always helpful to know you’re not alone and there is a community out there.

Participant response from ArtWell@Work “Creative Techniques for Connection, Reflection and Self Care” with Thomas Jefferson University, 2019.
2019/2020 HIGHLIGHTS

1 PHILADELPHIA ARTS EDUCATION FAIR
August 27, 2019. ArtWell joins nearly 70 cultural organizations in presenting their arts education programs and opportunities during the 2019 Arts Education Fair. The event marks the 4th consecutive year ArtWell participates in the Office of Arts, Culture, and the Creative Economy (OACCE) sponsored fair.

2 2019 ARTWELL 5K RAISES MORE THAN $6,000
October 6, 2019. Thank you to all our runners and supporters who spent a beautiful October morning with us at the 2019 ArtWell 5K. More than 70 donations were made, totaling more than $6,000 for ArtWell programs.

3 ALL HANDS ART SHOW BENEFITING ARTWELL
October 11, 2019. Curated by Jason Rothman, the ALL HANDS group show features 16 Philadelphia graphic designers presenting work completed only by hand. Proceeds from the DesignPhiladelphia event were generously donated to ArtWell.

4 EMAN COMMUNITY FUND GRANT
November 5, 2019. The East Mount Airy Neighbors (EMAN) Community Fund of the Philadelphia Foundation announces it has awarded $69,700 in grants to six nonprofits including $10,000 for ArtWell programs.

5 PLAY FOR A CHANGE CONFERENCE
November 9, 2019. ArtWell joins the Play for a Change conference. Hosted by the Institute for Relational Psychoanalysis of Philadelphia, the day and a half conference explores the therapeutic process and developmental significance of play. More than 60 guests are treated to a program of music, dance, and poetry by ArtWell.

6 ARTWELL DEEPWELL PARTNER: PARKWAY NORTHWEST
December 9, 2019. After a successful pilot partnership the previous year, Parkway Northwest becomes a DeepWell Partner. Among the student-driven projects for the expanded partnership, The Black Joy Project. Students are tasked with not only imagining but celebrating and representing, in a range of artistic mediums, the joy that is rooted in Black culture.

7 ARTWELL@WORK WITH KEELER
January 3, 2020. ArtWell@Work facilitators visit the offices of corporate partner Keeler to lead creative activities with their staff. More than 50 Keeler employees participate across two ArtWell@Work sessions designed to strengthen their office relationships and teams.

8 PSYCHOLOGY TODAY INTERVIEWS CATHY COHEN
January 13, 2020. Board member and We the Poets founder Cathy Cohen sits with Roy Eidelson, Ph.D. of Psychology Today to talk about the trauma-responsive practices employed with students following a deadly building explosion in the Kirkbride neighborhood. Thank you to Cathy, program partner Janet Chance (Need in Deed), and the team at Kirkbride for providing a creative sanctuary for students and school partners.
ARTWELL GOES VIRTUAL DURING COVID-19
March 17, 2020. In deference to precautions and measures surrounding Covid-19 ArtWell begins working on alternative ways to support student and partner communities, and to stay creatively engaged during the first wave of closures. Select programs and operational functions go virtual indefinitely.

ARTWELL-A-DAY
March 18, 2020. In response to Covid-19 closures in Philadelphia, ArtWell launches #ARTWELLADAY, a new online campaign featuring weekly art projects, writing and poetry exercises, music and movement activities, and reflective prompts. The all-ages activities promote creativity and wellness, and can be completed indoors or outdoors with basic art supplies.

ARTS & LEARNING RESOURCES
March 23, 2020. In support of partner communities ArtWell launches a new resource page filled with parent and student resources, links to educational guides, online arts and culture activities, and connections to other support networks for artists during Covid-19.

COVID-19 ARTS AID PHL
June 30, 2020. ArtWell is listed among the 460-plus Philadelphia arts organizations designated to receive emergency support from the newly created COVID-19 Arts Aid PHL. Thank you to The Barra Foundation, William Penn Foundation, OACCE, Philadelphia Cultural Fund, Greater Philadelphia Cultural Alliance, and all those that have given to the relief effort, supporting outfits like ours and so many more across the Philly region.

VIEW MORE HIGHLIGHTS ONLINE AT THEARTWELL.ORG
REVENUE & SUPPORT
Fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020.

MAJOR FUNDING SOURCES

- Foundations* (72.18%)
  - $363,614
  - $123,348
  - $33,431
  - $5,373
- Individuals (24.09%)
- Government (2.67%)
- Program (1.07%)

*Foundations category also includes support from corporate, community, and faith groups.

YEAR-TO-YEAR REVENUE & SUPPORT

- $681,686 (FY2018)
- $566,930 (FY2019)
- $503,766 (FY2020)

AWAKENING DREAMS

Gifts of all sizes make a difference for students.

- **$25K**
  - Provide a high school group of 20 students with consistent poetry workshops through 4 years of high school, helping them develop literacy and writing skills

- **$5K**
  - Provide a 30 week program, helping 20 students to discover their creative strengths and honor those of others

- **$2K**
  - Provide 10 weeks of percussion and poetry classes for children who have never experienced multicultural music education

- **$500**
  - Support a culminating event, where students can proudly share their creativity with their family, friends, and community

- **$250**
  - Staff a daily classroom of 20 students with 2 talented teaching artists who will teach youth creative skills, and serve as mentors to students who need more caring adults in their lives.

Donate online at [https://theArtWell.org](https://theArtWell.org)
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INDEPENDENT SUPPORTERS
Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church
Chestnut Hill Rotary Club
East Mount Airy Neighbors
Jason Rothman All Hands Art Show Auction
Main Line Children’s Festival
Metropolitan Christian Council of Philadelphia
Rotary Club of Northeast Sunrisers
Tabernacle United Church of Christ

CORPORATE MATCHING PROGRAMS
Exelon Foundation
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Arts + Business Council for Greater Philadelphia
City of Philadelphia Office of Arts, Culture and the Creative Economy
Greater Philadelphia Cultural Alliance
Interfaith Philadelphia
U.S. Department of Arts and Culture

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Jennifer and Scott Simpson
Arthur R.G. and Julia Solmssen

$5,000+
Elizabeth Krueger and John Seley
Angela Steel and
Matthew Harrington

$2,500+
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Eric Hocky and
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$1,500+
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Brad and Jamie Murtha
Jason Rothman (All Hands Art Show Auction)
Patricia and Charles Smail

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Thank you to William Hill, II, Julie Lazarus, and Abby Stamelman Hocky for their leadership as ArtWell board members in 2019/2020.

For information about ArtWell volunteer opportunities email us at volunteer@theartwell.org.
ArtWell supports young people and their communities through multidisciplinary arts expression, education, and creative reflection to celebrate their strengths, thrive while facing complex challenges, and awaken their dreams.

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