2024 ANNUAL REPORT



Together, we pass the torch, and with it we ignite the future.





Our mission is to cultivate a healthier and more interconnected populace through cultural infrastructure and community-building arts programs.

Through the Academy, community health and interconnectivity will be cultivated through:

- · Programs that inspire individuals of all ages, unlocking their inherent potential and nurturing social bonds.
- · State-of-the-art facilities and dedicated support staff that elevate other local arts institutions and cultural activities.
- Activities that engage broad audiences, with special emphasis on addressing limited access to community networks by fostering collaboration and expanding opportunities for personal growth.

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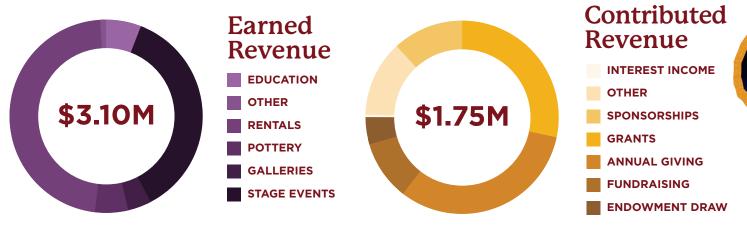
In 1912, a visionary group of over twenty local business leaders, led by Charles Guggenheimer, came together to reopen the Academy of Music Theatre after a devastating fire. Their investment didn't just restore a building—it kindled a cultural beacon that would illuminate Lynchburg for generations.

Today, that same spirit of community investment shines bright. Through diverse programming revenue, combined with vital contributed support, the Academy Center of the Arts sustains its position as a cultural anchor for our region, transforming resources into dynamic artistic experiences, educational opportunities, and community connections that enrich lives throughout Greater Lynchburg.



Collective Financial Impact

Sustained arts vibrancy emerges from collaborative financial efforts involving local government, local businesses, foundations, community members, and investments. Sustained arts vibrancy in smaller communities is achieved through collective and ongoing efforts, which in time can become deeply embedded in the identity and established culture of a community's support for the arts.



Our purpose and mission echoes through every performance, every program, and every person who walks through our doors. When the Historic Theatre reopened in 2018-60 years after its closure-it marked more than a restoration. It represented a community coming together to ensure that arts and culture remain accessible to all, regardless of race, ethnicity, class, gender identity, sexual orientation, belief system, or physical/mental ability.

In 1905, the Academy of Music Theatre became the first venue in Lynchburg to harness the power of electricity, lighting up performances for a new era. Today, nearly 120 years later, that pioneering spirit continues as the Academy Center of the Arts illuminates new possibilities. Through transformative programming that inspires individuals of all ages, state-of-the-art facilities that elevate local arts institutions, and inclusive activities that engage broad audiences, the Academy builds more than cultural infrastructure—it strengthens the bonds that unite our community.

In carrying forward this legacy of arts and innovation, the Academy Center of the Arts illuminates a future where creativity flourishes, equity prevails, and community thrives.

Geoffrey Kershner

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Program Impact & Delivery:

100%

INCREASED OPERATIONAL **IMPACT SINCE 2018**

252

EVENTS HOSTED

774

ACADEMY MEMBERS 36.52% Increase from 2023

Audience & Access:

57%

OF PATRONS ARE **OUTSIDE OF LYNCHBURG** Approximate Estimate

20,596

PEOPLE REACHED THOUGH **ACCESS PROGRAMS**

Jane Lynch's A Swingin' Little Christmas December 5, 2024



Education Access

191

SCHOLARSHIPS

\$17,482

SCHOLARSHIPS DISTRIBUTED
THROUGH COMMUNITY
ACCESS FUND

Academy Youth Theatre

8

PLAYS

20

PERFORMANCES

Pottery Studio 102

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

Art Studio

69

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

5

BWXT STUDENT GALLERY EXHIBITIONS

PERFORMANCE & VISUAL ARTS EDUCATION

The Academy Center of the Arts cultivates growth through a rich variety of visual and performing arts programs—each designed to unlock creative potential and forge lasting community bonds. Through accessible programming and scholarship support, we enrich our community through the arts.

Our programs engaged 2,606 participants across generations: 1,209 youth, 1,117 adults, and 280 seniors. Responding to community interests, we expanded popular offerings while introducing innovative programs like voice acting, improv, stage combat, and woodburning workshops.







THE GALLERIES

The Academy Center of the Arts galleries spotlight the depth and diversity of artistic expression across our region and beyond. Through six dynamic exhibition spaces—three on campus and three satellite venues—we showcase an ever-evolving tapestry of local, regional, and national talent. Our monthly exhibitions span diverse media and perspectives, from sculpture to interactive installations, enriching downtown Lynchburg's cultural vibrancy through regular First Friday events. Selected to host the prestigious Virginia Watercolor Society's 2024 statewide exhibition, our galleries welcomed over 11,000 visitors this year.



ARTISTICA.SHOP

The Academy's artistic vision extends into the digital realm through Artistica.shop, our innovative online marketplace connecting over 100 local and regional artists with collectors, design professionals, and art enthusiasts worldwide. More than a marketplace, this platform amplifies artists' voices across mediums—from ceramics to metal work—while fostering sustainable artistic careers. Through quarterly design industry events and First Friday features, Artistica.shop bridges physical and digital artistic spaces, expanding our community's creative reach beyond Central Virginia.

In collaboration with Curtains, Blinds & Bath & Christa Gillespie, Interior Designer



Programs That Inspire

37 EXHIBITS

317

ARTISTS REPRESENTED

11,945 VISITORS

Special exhibition feature:

VA WATERCOLOR SOCIETY

The Academy Center of the Arts hosted the Virginia Watercolor Society's 45th Annual Exhibition, featuring 100 exceptional works chosen from 500 submissions. Curated by director Ted Batt in the Patricia Harrington Gallery, this prestigious showcase drew visitors from across Virginia to celebrate artistic excellence in our community.

\$38,121.64

TOTAL SALES

23,271WEBSITE VISITS

33

ARTIST MEMBERS

ARTISTICA.SHOP

article features:

Lynchburg Living (January/February 2024 issue)

Virginia Living Magazine (December 2024 issue)

Programs That Inspire

32,174 ATTENDEES

39ACADEMY PRESENTS EVENTS

Genre Breakdown



- TRIBUTE/LEGACY
- CLASSICAL/CHORAL
- CELEBRITY/MUSICAL
- **BLUES/ROOTS**
- COMEDY/VARIETY
- **BLUEGRASS/AMERICANA**
- JAZZ/SOUL
- GLOBAL ARTS & DANCE

ACADEMY PRESENTS EVENTS

The Historic Academy of Music Theatre has welcomed extraordinary performers from around the globe. As a cultural beacon in our growing downtown, we bring world-class touring artists to downtown, enriching our community's cultural life while strengthening Lynchburg's vitality and reputation throughout the region.





Big Bad Voodoo Daddy | July 20, 2024





RESIDENT COMPANIES & RENTALS

The Academy Center of the Arts strengthens our region's cultural infrastructure by providing vital performance and event spaces for diverse community partners. Our four versatile venues—the Historic Academy of Music Theatre (835 seats), Joy and Lynch Christian Warehouse Theatre (272 seated/600 standing), the Music Hall (120 seated/standing), and Anne White Gallery (72 seated/200 standing) hosted a combined 212 rentals this year, supporting both established arts organizations and emerging community initiatives.



Lynchburg Symphony Orchestra



Charlottesville Ballet

The Facilities Access Program makes our venues available to local nonprofits and groups that may face financial constraints. By offering discounted rental rates, we empower these groups to utilize our facilities for their events, workshops, and initiatives, in turn furthering their unique community causes.

RESIDENT COMPANIES

Charlottesville Ballet, Jefferson Choral Society, Lynchburg Symphony Orchestra, Opera on the James, Thomas Jefferson's Poplar Forest

6,086 TICKETS

\$278,648

RESIDENT COMPANIES REVENUE

PERFORMANCE PARTNERS

Ecclesia School of the Arts, Lynchburg Dance Connection, Masterworx Community Theater, Daniel Barksdale, Lynchburg Pops

5,627 TICKETS

\$75,992

PERFORMANCE PARTNERS **REVENUE**

TICKETED RENTAL PERFORMANCES

ORGANIZATIONS

12,013 | 40

\$601,877

THIRD PARTY REVENUE

PRIVATE RENTALS

75 ORGANIZATIONS

19,803 ATTENDEES

96

EVENTS

THE MUSIC HALL

The Academy is committed to elevating our local music scene. The Music Hall, an intimate venue with expert sound and top-tier equipment, showcases live music every Friday, putting Hill City's talent front and center.

120 PERSON CAPACITY

52

PLANNED PERFORMANCES ANNUALLY

A HOME FOR LOCAL MUSIC

The Music Hall at 722 Commerce Street is a vibrant addition to the Academy Center of the Arts, offering an intimate, 100-seat venue tailored for smaller performances and local talent. Inspired by iconic spaces like the Ellington that once stood on Rivermont Avenue, it preserves Lynchburg's musical heritage while providing a new platform for Central Virginia's artists.

As a complement to our larger venues, The Music Hall strengthens our ability to foster artistic growth and meaningful connections through live music experiences. Live music sessions are held regularly on Friday nights, with the rest of the week available for rental opportunities.



ENCORE: INVESTING IN OUR FUTURE

Great institutions are built on strong endowments.

At the Academy Center of the Arts, our growing endowment forms the foundation for setting new standards of artistic and cultural excellence.

The Academy Center of the Arts established its endowment in 1978 with gifts from visionary donors and community supporters. In May 2015, the Academy's Board of Trustees voted to name its restricted Endowment Fund after the late John Morton Flippin, an early champion of the vision to restore the historic theatre.

Today, the Academy's endowment includes the **Facilities Investment Fund**, a vital resource specifically dedicated to addressing the ongoing and future facility needs of our historic venue.

Growing this fund is crucial to ensuring that our buildings remain a vibrant part of the community for generations to come.

The endowment as a whole, including the **John Morton Flippin Fund**, provides the financial foundation to launch new initiatives, plan for the future, seize opportunities for institutional advancement, and confront unexpected challenges.

As we celebrate our 120th anniversary, we look forward to embarking on an exciting new endowment campaign aimed at securing the Academy's longevity. This initiative will place special emphasis on strengthening our capital and facilities investments, ensuring our historic venue continues to inspire future generations.

While operating gifts help cover the annual costs of delivering our mission, endowment gifts are invested to earn interest. The Academy Center of the Arts receives a fraction of the fund's value annually, which offers a steady income stream for everything from facility needs to special programs and initiatives. Endowment growth thus ensures a larger income stream in future years, securing the Academy's ability to thrive for generations to come.

Learn more about supporting the Academy's future



academycenter.org/endowment



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AIM (Academy in Motion)

> 103 EVENTS

17,143 AUDIENCE

30

RURAL EVENTS

(Amherst, Bedford County, Campbell County)

2,209
RURAL AUDIENCE

"Our patrons love these thoughtful interactions of allowing art to be accessible to everyone at zero cost."

- Katie Lane, Campbell County Public Library

OMA

(Opening Minds Through Art)

6

NUMBER OF COHORTS Westminster Canterbury, Heritage Green, Westminster Canterbury, Runk & Pratt

5-10 ENGAGED PER SESSION

1:1 Ratio

PARTICIPANTS TO TRAINED VOLUNTEERS

ART WITHOUT BARRIERS: BRIDGING GENERATIONS AND COMMUNITIES

We believe in making artistic expression and cultural experiences accessible to all. Through innovative outreach and thoughtfully designed programs, we remove barriers while igniting connections across generations and circumstances.

Academy in Motion brings arts education directly to underserved areas, ensuring creative opportunities reach every corner of our community. This commitment to meeting people where they are sparks artistic engagement for those who might otherwise miss these enriching experiences.



Opening Minds Through Art (OMA) is an evidence-based program that creates transformative artistic experiences for individuals with Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia. Through one-on-one creative partnerships, OMA cultivates dignity, autonomy, and joy in the artistic process. Each cohort brings together participants, volunteers, and community members, demonstrating the power of passing creative inspiration across generations.

By ensuring financial circumstances never prevent participation in our diverse artistic offerings, we pass the torch of cultural enrichment throughout Greater Lynchburg's community. Together, we ignite pathways for everyone to experience the transformative power of the arts, creating a brighter, more connected future.



COMMUNITY IMPACT & ACCESS

In 2024, the Academy Center of the Arts brought the community together through vibrant, family friendly events that celebrated culture and creativity. We believe that access to the arts for all populations is pivotal for developing practical skills, enhancing well-being, and sustaining community growth. What distinguishes us is our holistic approach to community engagement. While we offer revenue-generating product lines including ticketed events, rentals, education, and galleries, **our primary focus is on community accessibility** rather than profitability. Our arts access initiative offers free or discounted rates and includes additional programming serving specific populations at no cost.



We work with both local nonprofits and community members through our **Community Ticket Access** Program. By providing discounted ticket blocks to nonprofits, we enable more underserved individuals and populations to attend various events and performances in our historic spaces.

Throughout the year, we welcome the community to free events including the Animation Festival, Clay Festival, and Holiday Maker's Market. We celebrate our diverse heritage through cultural programming for Black History Month, Juneteenth, and Hispanic Heritage Month.



7,503+ ATTENDANCE

12

ANIMATION FESTIVAL

 Celebrated Tex Avery's legacy with a free showcase of his groundbreaking work.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH PROGRAMMING

- Dianne Reeves
- Step Afrika! Including: A Workshop and a student matinee),
- Screening of The Space Race documentary with astronaut Leland Melvin

EMPTY BOWLS

 Raised over \$10,000 for Lynchburg Daily Bread, supporting the fight against hunger

JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION

 Highlighted local talent with a vibrant gospel program in collaboration with the Juneteenth Coalition

VIVA LA CULTURA: HISPANIC HERITAGE CELEBRATION

 Showcased Hispanic culture through music, dance, and cuisine in partnership with Centro Communitario Latino Americano Lynchburg Chapter and others

CLAY FESTIVAL

 Held in our courtyard, celebrating ceramic arts with hands-on activities and displays

HOLIDAY MAKERS MARKET

 Drew record-breaking crowds with a campus-wide celebration of regional artisans and festive cheer

HILL CITY KEYS 10TH ANNIVERSARY

 Celebrated a decade of Libby Fitzgerald's vision, showcasing hand-painted pianos throughout downtown, blending visual and performing arts to enrich the city

Community Engagement

32

FIELD TRIPS

3085

ATTENDEES

Special Mention:

360 ALLSTAR STUDENT MATINEE

650

ATTENDEES

Schools Included: Appomattox, Amherst, & Lynchburg City

Special Mention:

MÄSTERWORX 'WEST SIDE STORY' Q&A 70

ATTENDEES

Collaboration with Academy Performance Partner & Lynchburg City Schools

FIELD TRIP PROGRAM

The Academy Center of the Arts' field trip program offers students immersive artistic experiences through campus-wide learning opportunities. Students explore performing and visual arts through hands-on lessons, discover local history, and attend live performances in our historic theater. Interactive art gallery sessions and behind-the-scenes experiences—including lecture demonstrations, sound check observations, and artist Q&As—provide unique insights into the arts world. These educational adventures align with Virginia Standards of Learning (SOL) in History and Fine Arts, creating meaningful connections between artistic expression and academic growth while fostering curiosity in the next generation.





The Artist in Residence Program at the Academy Center of the Arts brings professional artists into local schools for immersive art education experiences. Through direct engagement with skilled artists, students participate in workshops and projects tailored to their interests.

Visual artist Christina Davis leads the 2024-2025 program, working with 4th grade students at Dearington Elementary School. Her instruction combines hands-on visual arts lessons with collaborative projects, aligning with Virginia Fine Art Standards of Learning (SOL) for Grade 4.

Davis brings a decade of experience as an Art Instructor and Coach. Her expressionist work, known for vibrant colors, is featured in galleries and private collections worldwide. She specializes in paintings, murals, and tapestries, employing an interactive teaching approach that emphasizes individual artistic development. Her expertise spans multiple mediums, developed through formal training and self-directed exploration.



SECURING OUR LEGACY: CARRYING THE TORCH FORWARD

For 120 years, the Academy has celebrated and uplifted the arts in our region. Our story goes far beyond what happens on our stages or in our studios, as we strive to bring the arts out into our community and pave the way for a brighter, more vibrant future for all people. And every year, our donors help make this all possible.

The Academy thrives with private contributions. Academy Membership directly supports our Annual Fund, which is critical for our innovative workshops, educational programming, and other special projects that help support and inspire our community. Membership gifts are unrestricted, allowing for budgetary flexibility and helps to

cover the gap between expenses and revenue generated from ticket sales, which only cover approximately half of the funds involved in operating our theaters, classroom spaces, and galleries. Academy Membership is an investment in our mission: to cultivate a healthier, more interconnected populace through cultural infrastructure and community-building arts programs.

As we celebrate our 120th anniversary in 2025 and look to the future, we know how critically important our Academy donors are, as they help us continue to build upon this legacy, ensuring the arts remain a vibrant and integral part of our community.

Five Years of Loyal Giving (2019-2024)

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Perennial Society

LEVEL 7

\$10,000+

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