Donors Making a Difference

Guitar Donated in Memory of Scott Robinson
Recently the Art House received a donation from the Robinson family in memory of Scott. In their words, he wanted as many people as possible to have access to music. They are grateful to supply the Art House with a brand new acoustic/electric guitar and to continue Scott’s dream of exposing everyone to music.

Youth Garden Grant
Ann Quinn and Sr. Pat Lupo joined forces in applying for the 2022 Youth Garden Grant, and the Inner-City Neighborhood Art House was selected as a winner! The Art House is one of five Garden Tower Speciality Winners. This package includes two garden towers, cash prize, seeds, and additional gardening supplies. The garden towers were assembled with the help of Ann Quinn, and Sr. Pat’s garden students at the Art House.

ERIE AFRICAN-AMERICAN AFFINITY NETWORK
Art Supply Drive Held
In Honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Many thanks to our friends in the Erie African-American Affinity Network, who organized an art supply drive in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day! Working with local Affinity Network, who organized an art supply drive in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day! Working with local

What’s New

New Bookkeeper
Hila spent 25 years serving our country in the U.S. Navy. Upon retirement in 1996, she worked in a variety of roles and organizations. In 2017, she retired from the Erie Veterans Affairs Medical Center, where she worked for the Office of Performance and Quality. Hila worked at the Inner City Neighborhood Art House as a part-time bookkeeper in 2018, and has had a heart for the work being done here ever since. When offered the part-time bookkeeping position, she eagerly accepted the opportunity to work again with the staff and support the families and youth we serve.

New Teacher
Alexis grew up in Erie performing, taking private vocal lessons, and participated in many theatrical programs both in the Erie Playhouse and at Howard University. In 2013, she graduated from Howard University with a Theatre Arts Minor while taking choral and instrumental courses. Alexis’s unique theatrical experiences include working in the costume shop, producing a Cabaret to raise funds for the Autism Society-NWPA, and taking a professional training course at Signature Theatre in Arlington, VA. Alexis is currently teaching a Musical Theatre class, and is excited to have joined the Art House staff.

MEMORIAL
A special thank you to the families of Captain Dan Geary
When offered the part-time bookkeeping position, she eagerly accepted the opportunity to work again with the staff and support the families and youth we serve.

To change your mailing address or to be removed from our mailing list please give us a call at (814)465-5508, or an email at anneke@neighborhoodarthouse.org with the name and address to be removed.
Out in the Community

Family Fun Night
The Art House hosted its first Valentine’s Day themed Family Fun Night in February which was open to students and families. Families decorated tote bags or made embroidered hearts and played board games together. Special thanks to Tim Hortons and Little Caesar’s for sponsoring this event!

Jewelry Making Workshop
In February we hosted a jewelry making workshop to thank volunteers, teachers and board members for their service to the Art House. Participants chose their own beads, and had the opportunity to make a necklace and a pair of earrings! Due to the positive response, we will be offering jewelry classes for community members in the near future.

Events to Look Forward to...
New initiatives to look out for include a series called “Second Saturdays”. These will take place on the second Saturday of the month, from April through November. A series called “Second Saturday: Printmaking” will place on the second Saturday of May. We are actively seeking additional events to offer. To learn more, email Lourdes Jasso at ljasso@neighborhoodarthouse.org or give us a call to get started!

From Kelly’s Desk
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Dance Movement with Alexis Snedeker: Students are learning basic dance movements outside of the building.

Improv Acting with Leslie Ford: The class has been focusing on pantomime, character development, story-telling, narration, and group trust.

Muscical Theatre with Alexandria Coles: The students are learning about theatre repertoires, a few dance moves and are working on ensemble building activities both in groups and pairs.

New Classes for Winter/Spring: Classes will take place on the second Saturday of each month, from April through November. A series called “Second Saturday: Printmaking” will take place on the second Saturday of May. We are actively seeking additional events to offer. To learn more, email Lourdes Jasso at ljasso@neighborhoodarthouse.org or give us a call to get started!

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Coming Soon...
- April 7: Introduction to Relief Printmaking
- April 9: Second Saturday: Paper cranes & crafting
- April 30: ReLeaf Arbor Day
- May 14: Second Saturday: Chalk art, face painting & rock painting

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