



ART
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2022 ANNUAL REPORT



Dear Friends of the Art Therapy Studio,

Thank you for your continued support of the Art Therapy Studio, allowing us to continue a 50+ year history of providing art therapy in a safe space for all people. We believe art therapy should be accessible to all because promoting mental and physical health and wellness promotes healthy communities. The Board and Staff remain passionately committed to, and inspired by, our mission to *Enhance the quality of life for all people through art therapy*.

We were out in the community again in 2022, advocating for art therapy, educating the community, and supporting art therapists. A few highlights from the year include:



- Creation of the *Mickie McGraw Fellowship Toward Diversity in the Field of Art Therapy*. We were pleased to welcome Michelle “Starr” Starling as our first McGraw Fellow.
- Creation of the *Christine M. Treu Scholarship Fund*. This scholarship was established in remembrance of Chris Treu, a longtime supporter and board member. More information about the scholarship here: <https://arttherapystudio.org/christine-m-treu-scholarship-fund/>
- The Art Therapy Studio partnered with *FRONT International 2022* during their Cleveland Triennial for Contemporary Art from July 16 – October 2. Art Therapy Studio Client-Artists Linda D.L. Green and Scott Mars showed their work at the FRONT PNC Exhibition Hub at Transformer Station, along with a historical display of Art Therapy Studio memorabilia. ATS Art Therapists also offered public programs to the community for free.
- We are so proud to announce that our Clinical Director, Cheryl Pete, became the Legislative Chair for the Buckeye Art Therapy Association (BATA) in 2022. This group has been leading the charge in advocating for art therapy licensure in the State of Ohio for over 40 years. Art Therapy Studio has long been a part of the fight to make art therapy a licensed field in the State of Ohio, and in July of 2023 this became a reality!

To our loyal friends and supporters, on behalf of the Board of Trustees, our Executive Director Michelle Epps, our extraordinary Art Therapists and Office Staff, and especially our Client-Artists, we thank you.

All the Best,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Diane Weidrick". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Diane Weidrick
Board President

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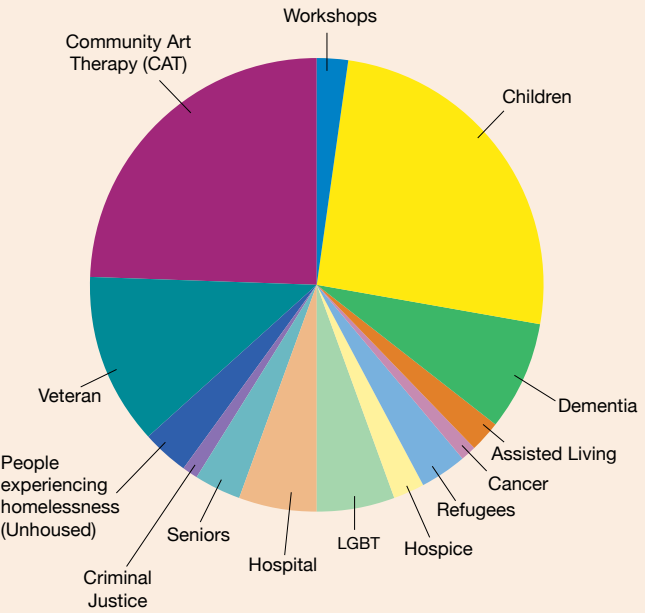
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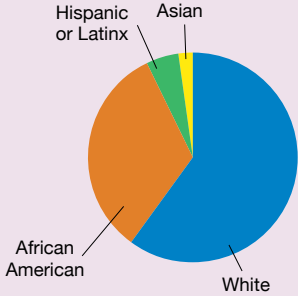


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Total	12531	100%
Workshops	2%	
Children	23%	
Dementia	7%	
Assisted Living	2%	
Cancer	1%	
Refugees	3%	
Hospice	2%	
LGBT	5%	
Hospital	5%	
Seniors	3%	
Criminal Justice	1%	
Unhoused	3%	
Addiction Treatment	11%	
Veterans	22%	
Community Art Therapy(CAT)	10%	
	100%	

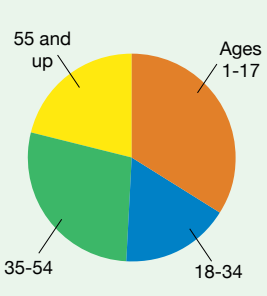
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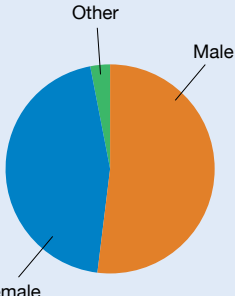
RACE

White	60%
African American	33%
Hispanic or Latinx	5%
Asian	2%
	100%



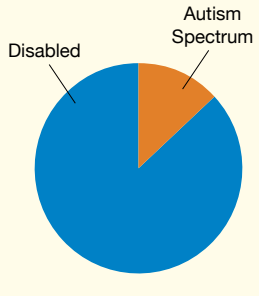
AGE

Ages 1-17	34%
18-34	17%
35-54	28%
55 and up	21%
	100%



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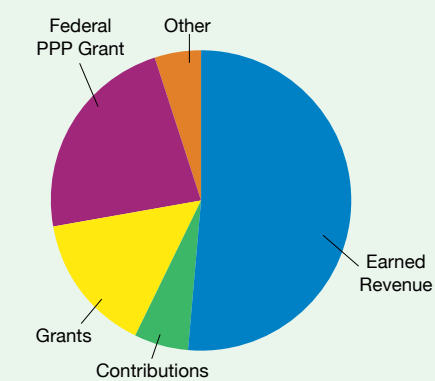
Male	52%
Female	45%
Other	3%
	100%



DISABILITY

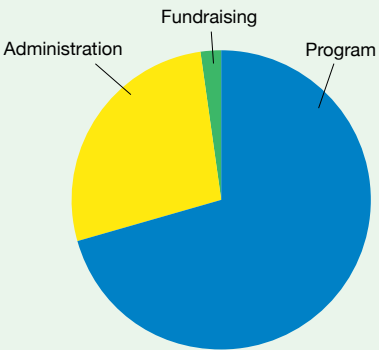
Disabled	33%
Autism Spectrum	5%
	38%

2022 FINANCIALS



INCOME FROM OPERATIONS

Earned Revenue	\$417,145	51%
Contributions	\$46,765	6%
Grants	\$120,648	15%
Federal PPP Grant	\$181,410	23%
Other	\$39,304	5%
In-kind	\$258	0.0%
TOTAL:	\$805,530	100%



EXPENSES

Program	\$408,016	70.7%
Administration	\$156,302	27.1%
Fundraising	\$12,538	2.2%
TOTAL:	\$576,856	100.0%

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OUR MISSION

Enhancing the quality of life for all people through art therapy.

WHAT DOES ART THERAPY STUDIO DO?

We develop relationships and facilitate art interventions between qualified art therapists and our client-artists to activate the clinically proven beneficial healing powers of artmaking. We use a strengths-based, trauma informed approach to empower those we serve to reach their full potential.

HOW DO WE ACCOMPLISH THIS?

We employ board certified/credentialed art therapists to work with individuals and collaborate with community partners, responding to the unique needs of our diverse community by providing therapy that promotes mindfulness, emotional intelligence, and social connections.

HOW DO WE RESPOND TO THE NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY?

ATS works to make mental health resources via creative arts therapies accessible and affordable to those who would not otherwise receive these services. BIPOC, disabled, LGBTQ+, low-income, and other marginalized individuals have disproportionate history of trauma. Programming for these at-risk communities is our mission focus, and we offer need-based fee reductions, recognizing that financial limitations often create barriers to participation.

HOW DO WE BECOME A MORE INCLUSIVE ORGANIZATION?

This past year, in an effort to expand the cultural competency of the field of art therapy, ATS, in cooperation with our Racial Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Advisory Committee, developed the *Mickie McGraw Fellowship to Diversify the Field of Art Therapy*. This same year we hired our first Fellow, Michelle "Star" Starling to assist with providing art therapy to students within the CMSD school system. We continue to work with our REDI Advisory Committee to work towards a more equitable organization.