

ANNUAL REPORT 2022-2023

HILL TOP ART ISTS

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Hot Shop Residencies

Our “In Residence” program welcomed glass artists Sayuri Fukuda, Jen Elek, Deaunata Holman, LA Biggs, and Cedric Mitchell to our Hilltop Heritage hot shop. Each artist joined us for a week-long residency with our students as well as a public showcase event!

Exhibits and Commissioned Work

Alumni Artwork was featured at Bainbridge Arts & Crafts in August 2022 and in the Black Art & Black Artists exhibition at Tacoma Community College in February 2023. Our Tacoma Art Museum Gather exhibit ended September 2022 with museum-to-museum walks and a free celebration.

Our youth produced 200 glass floats for the Bainbridge Island Museum of Art’s “Treasure Trek,” scavenger hunt! They also made 930 floats and medallions for Tacoma’s annual Monkeyshines treasure hunt.

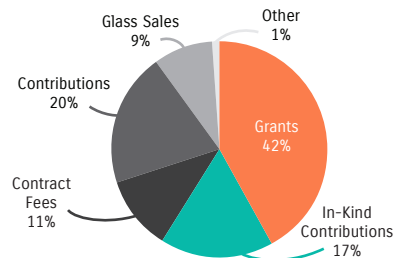
Hilltop Artists youth created commissioned artwork for the Governor’s Art and Heritage Awards, and attended the event at the governor’s mansion. They collaborated with Rotator Creative on a new donor wall for the United Way of Pierce County featuring 147 fused glass circles, and created many other pieces of commissioned work.

Hilltop Artists in the Community

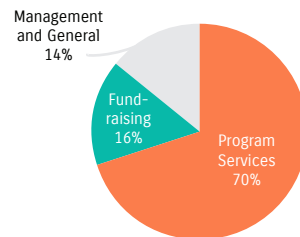
Our glass fusing workshops with the Tacoma Public Library reached 148 people through 6 events! Trenton Quiocho helped coordinate MOG’s “Concert in the Cone,” in April, featuring local band Mirrorgloss. A team of all femme and nonbinary glass artists from Hilltop Artists worked with artists Bri Chesler Minh England, and Sarah Gilbert, to create artwork inspired by the music.



Revenue: \$1,855,718



Expenses: \$1,814,489



PROGRAMS



Comprehensive, tuition-free, glass arts instruction and mentorship for 586 youth participants.

Youth programs include:

Arts Connect, a partnership with Pierce County Juvenile Court

At Hilltop Heritage Middle School and Dr. Dolores Silas High School:

- Daytime Electives
- Team Production
- Alumni Team
- Summer Glass Arts

Outreach Services, wrap-around support, and advocacy for students and their families.

YOUTH OPPORTUNITY

Through our ambassador program one student visited France and the U.K., one alum interned at the Museum of Glass; others worked this summer at Pilchuck Glass School where they assisted teaching artists.

Four alumni participated in one-day residencies at the Museum of Glass as a companion event to our Gather Exhibit. It was incredible to see our brilliant staff and alums collaborating with the MOG team and creating awesome work!

Hilltop Artists participated in the International Youth Conference: A Sustainable Future for Glass at Pilchuck Glass School. 14 organizations from around the world sent students and staff to participate in this week-long event.

With our partners, we supported students to attend learning opportunities at Corning Museum of Glass, Appalachian Center for Craft, and Pittsburgh Glass Center. We also hosted a large group of students for a retreat at the Pilchuck Glass School in September 2022.

IMPACT

100% high school graduation rate for our 2022- 2023 Team Production students.

83% of our 2023 High School graduates enrolled in post-secondary education.



SUPPORT



886 donors, including 120 Murrini Club members, gave to Hilltop Artists.

Shoppers purchased 2,016 glass pieces, and Team Production completed 37 commissions.

Special thanks to Tacoma Creates, Tacoma Public Schools, and the Dale and Leslie Chihuly Foundation for continued core support.

And to all our supporters for their generosity and commitment to Hilltop Artists over the past year.

We appreciate you!