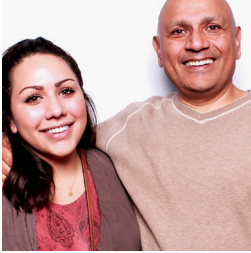


ANNUAL REPORT 2016



Mercer Island Center for the Arts. **Where we connect.**

WITH ART. WITH IDEAS.
WITH EACH OTHER.



President's Message

MICA Now More Than Ever

Three years ago, civic minded citizens of Mercer Island came together to create a place that celebrates the arts, community, and what is best in the human spirit. Mercer Island Center for the Arts will enrich and enhance Mercer Island's community life, as a dedicated home for all the arts. It will bring young and old together to enjoy performances in a wide range of art forms – from family-friendly, to hilarious, to thought-provoking. It will be a place where children and adults continue to learn and develop their creative potential.

From Youth Theatre Northwest to Musical Mind Studio, MIVAL to Russian Chamber Music Foundation, and Island Youth Ballet to Music Works Northwest – the arts on Mercer Island abound. MICA is excited to partner with these institutions to create a stronger community. Our dedication to MICA's vision of art, education and community is constantly reaffirmed by the joyful and passionate creation of the performing and visual arts on this island. We are committed to creating a home in the heart of our town for that which enlightens, entertains, and sustains us.

An 18-member board of highly accomplished Islanders, with a remarkable and energetic staff, continues to work diligently to bring a community-funded art center to life. We invite you to join us and your fellow MICA supporters, your friends and neighbors, on this exciting journey. MICA. The right next step for Mercer Island.

John Gordon Hill

President/Board Chair
Mercer Island Center for the Arts

John Gordon Hill pictured above, far left

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A close-up photograph of a hand holding a paintbrush, poised over a piece of paper. The paper features a pencil sketch of a boat with a row of circular windows. To the left of the boat, there is a large, textured area of blue and green paint. The background is softly blurred, showing more of the drawing and the hand's position.

ARTS EDUCATION COMMUNITY CONNECTION

Mercer Island Center for the Arts will be the hub for creativity in our community. A place where we celebrate values that tie us together, including our dedication to openness and our commitment to excellence.



Mercer Island Center for the Arts: An Asset for the Entire Community

Creating Art + Community + Education

MICA partnered with many community organizations, local businesses, and the City to provide Islanders with an array of inspiring events including:

- Summer Celebration Festival
- Leap for Green
- Mercer Island Farmers Market Music Sponsor
- Mostly Music in the Park
- Pianos in the Park
- Mercer Island Chamber of Commerce Art Uncorked
- Russian Chamber Music Summer Concert in Luther Burbank Park

The Summer of 2016 was themed *Brick by Brick: Building MICA Together* featuring:

- LEGO® model of the conceptual design of the Art Center by local educator and LEGO® artist, Alice Finch.
- LEGO® play area designed by MIHS student and boy scout, Connor Hill.
- MICA Summer Celebration Parade Band, led by Dave Menz.

MICA also created the Mercer Island Arts Calendar featuring all the arts events on Mercer Island as a resource for community members, arts patrons, and artists. In 2016, 404 events were listed from multiple community organizations and MICA Resident Users:

- Youth Theatre Northwest
- City of Mercer Island
- Musical Mind Studio
- Music Works Northwest
- Mercer Island Farmers Market
- Children's Dance Conservatory/Island Youth Ballet
- Russian Chamber Music Foundation
- Mercer Island Visual Arts League



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MERCER ISLAND CENTER FOR THE ARTS

A year of listening, learning, investment, and creation

Campaign for MICA

2016 – A year of listening, learning, and preparing the foundation: MICA...

- Assembled A Campaign Planning Committee of community and board members to facilitate a feasibility study for the building project and capital campaign: Ralph Bufano, Carrie George, Ken Glass, Markus Kuntz, Jonathan Shakes, Sue Sherwood, and Iantha Sidell.
- Engaged The Collins Group to perform a feasibility study and create a framework for the capital campaign.
- Selected board member Prady Misra to lead efforts in capital campaign
- Formed Campaign Cabinet steering committee of board and community members: Ralph Bufano, Louis Carbonneau, Sean Liu, Prady Misra, Genevieve Morton, XiXi Shakes, Iantha Sidell, and Sue Sherwood.
- Retained Pyramid Communications to create campaign materials.
- Recruited arts management professional Keith Imper as campaign manager.

Building the Center

The Building Committee spent 2016 in studies and plans in preparation for a lease agreement with the City of Mercer Island.

The design and planning for the Art Center is led by a committee of board members: Bruce Lorig, John Gordon Hill, Ben Pariser, Josh Rosenstein, and supported by expert project consultants: Framework Cultural Placemaking & ORA Architects; theater designer Shalleck Collaborative; acoustical engineer Stantec, and landscape architects OLIN.

The City of Mercer Island approved a Memorandum of Understanding to move forward with the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA), February 2016. MICA hired respected experts to create the best solutions for the residents of Mercer Island. This required additional time to analyze components and identify solutions. MICA submitted the SEPA checklist in July of 2016 and continues to be responsive to the ongoing regulatory process.

Project Consultants:

Magnusson Klemencic Associates

STRUCTURAL & CIVIL ENGINEERING

Axis Survey & Mapping

SITE SURVEY

Hart Crowser

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Transpo Group

TRANSPORTATION CONSULTANT

The Watershed Company

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANT

Foushée Construction

PRECONSTRUCTION SERVICES

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PROGRAM PLANNING & PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Statement of financial activities

MICA's financials reflect our mission of creating a cultural focal point on Mercer Island with an emphasis on operating sustainability.

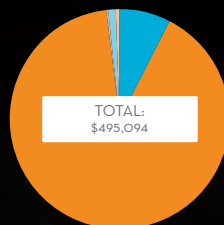
The overwhelming majority of 2016's expenditures were related to regulatory preparations necessary to build the Center and capital campaign planning. Total expenditures (including capital expenditures) for 2016 were \$869,961 funded by early donations to the project.

Despite the lengthy regulatory process, we managed to raise a fair amount of capital and lay the groundwork for the major campaign launch once the building lease has been secured. Contributed income for unrestricted operating activity came from individual donors, corporate gifts, foundation gifts, and in-kind support. Additional pledges were made as restricted contributions, contingent on specific milestones. MICA has raised \$5.4M, life to date, in donations and pledges.

Peter Hutt
Treasurer

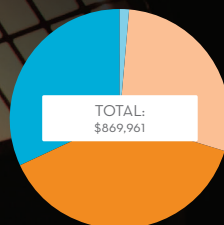
Dirk van der Burch
Comptroller

Revenue



● GRANTS	\$5,000
● INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED	\$38,501
● INDIVIDUAL PLEDGES OUTSTANDING	\$448,477
● IN-KIND GIFTS	\$1,229
● OTHER	\$1,887

Expenses



● ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE	\$246,758
● ART PROGRAMS SUPPORT	\$12,523
● FUND-RAISING EXPENSE	\$277,502
● PLANNING & DESIGN	\$333,178

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Thank you for your generous support of a vibrant arts community.

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Mary Sutter

Student:

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Want to become a supporter of MICA? Become a Friend. Please find the attached Friends envelope and either write your credit card information or insert your check. A few benefits include monthly e-newsletter, invitations to events & recognition in MICA Annual Report.

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Students for MICA

MICA is excited to present Students for MICA - a group of spirited and passionate Mercer Island students that show great enthusiasm for a community arts center. Look for Students for MICA throughout 2017 at various events.

NEW!

Arts Calendar

What's happening in the Arts throughout Mercer Island? Visit the MICA website and Arts Calendar for up-to-date information on arts events including music, visual art, theater, literary arts, and dance. MERCERISLANDARTS.ORG/CALENDAR

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