

LEWISTOWN ART CENTER

2020 ANNUAL REPORT



BRINGING ARTS & EDUCATION TO CENTRAL MONTANA

DEAR FRIENDS,

2021 is a difficult year for any organization, but the LAC celebrates this last 12 months as the 50th anniversary of our Founding in true Art Center style, thriving amidst challenge, creating amidst chaos, and offering cultural joy and support despite everything that 2021 had to offer. From humble origins in a auction-purchased carriage house, the LAC stands as a cornerstone downtown organization, and a state-wide cultural mainstay.

The LAC returned to in-person programming this summer, with Summer Fun Camps, Open Studios, and Social Nights warming the building with creative energy once again.

We've retained and revitalized our Artist Roster, renaming the Gift Shop the "Sales Gallery," offering Gallery honorariums to increase diversity, and continuing to reach a global audience through CentralMTArt.com, our sales-based sister site.

The LAC team GREW this year, adding our new Operations Manager (Noah Rotz) and Education Assistant (Teri Burrows-Harper) to our team, transistioning Leah Grunzke to our Outreach Coordinator, and welcoming Halle Shauer as our new Education Director. The LAC welcomed the assistance of a Mural Committee to cover our 4th Ave wall with original art, as well as new volunteers, new collaborations, and new partners in the past 12 months.

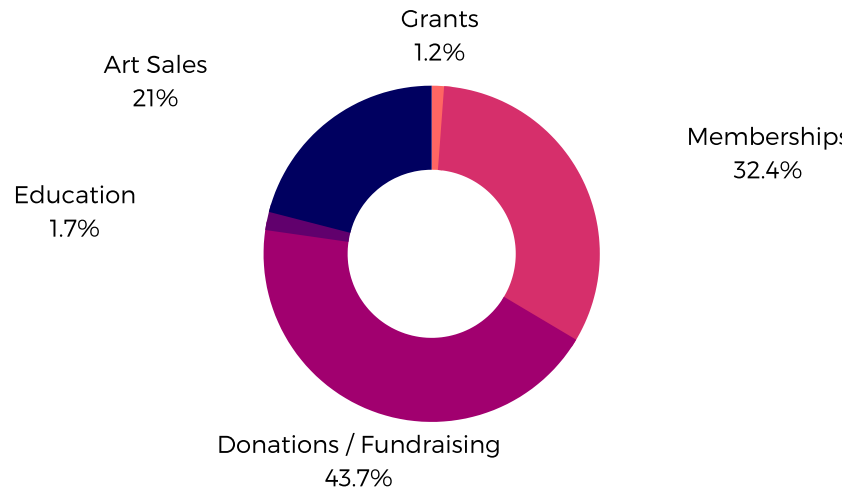
This year has certainly challenged us, but I'm grateful for the careful work of our staff, volunteers, and Board of Directors that has kept the LAC solvent, open, and thriving! We're heartened by the passion and creativity of Central Montana, and look forward to serving our community for another fifty years.

Mary Callahan Baumstark
Executive Director, Lewistown Art Center

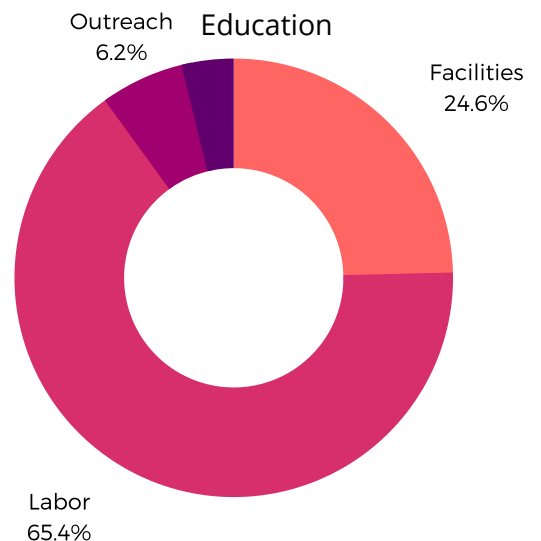
20-21 Fiscal Year

Total Net Assets: \$459,000
June 30, 2021

FUNDING



EXPENDITURES



SERVING OUR COMMUNITY



YOUTH PROGRAMS

Although in-person classes were more difficult, we connected with kids outside whenever possible, providing 175 contact hours of arts education this year



TAKE-HOME KITS

Craft kits for all ages, packed with new and recycled art supplies and step-by-step projects, kept creative minds busy at home



SALES GALLERY

Our Sales Gallery supports over 100 local and regional artists through consignment sales and marketing assistance



D-I-Y STUDIO

Our newly remodeled classroom is open to LAC members and the public for Paint Your Own Pottery and personal artistic endeavors



VIRTUAL OPPORTUNITIES

Over 7,000 users a month use our online services to find events and classes, view exhibitions and shop local art



MARGIE WILKINS GALLERY 2020 EXHIBITIONS

Feed Community Exhibition

Jessica Glenn

Nicolle Hamm

Rio Weber

Rebecca Sobin

Lee Silliman

Tracy Linder

Winter Fair Quilt & Fiber Arts

Randy Zielinski

Rosanna Mecklenburg

Montana Watercolor Society

New!

Central MT Wild
Clay ceramics,
made in-house
from locally
dug clay



A YEAR TO REMEMBER

2020 WAS A YEAR UNLIKE ANY OTHER,

yet the Lewistown Art Center engaged more than 1,600 people of all ages in arts education and cultural events. We've been working hard to invest in our local economy by representing hundreds of independent regional artists in our exhibition and sales galleries, and reexamining what community, culture and arts education can look like. We are proud to celebrate creativity for all ages, across a spectrum of expressions and abilities, and are committed to making sure arts opportunities are accessible to all.



Nearly **400** kids and adults participated in arts education programs

Hosted **10** gallery exhibitions featuring over **100** artists

Events like the Sculpture Walk and HarvestFest drew over **500** attendees

Nearly **100,000** audience members engaged with the LAC online

Art Center Highlights!

MANY THANKS TO OUR SUPPORTERS!

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THE MISSION OF THE LEWISTOWN ART CENTER IS TO PROMOTE AND PROVIDE ENGAGED ACCESS TO THE ARTS, ART EDUCATION AND CULTURAL OPPORTUNITIES IN CENTRAL MONTANA.

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