The past twelve months were tremendous, if not tumultuous times. Mackinac Island saw record numbers in many sectors, including arts and culture. Here on Mackinac Island, we are keenly aware of the depth and breadth of talented, creative people who live on the island or visit each summer from all over the world. The Mackinac Arts Council remains committed to giving space and voice to the creativity of all people who find themselves at Mackinac.

Through education, entertainment, exhibition, and advocacy, the Mackinac Arts Council continues the work of making Mackinac Island a thriving center for arts and culture in Michigan. This past year we hosted over 75 events during the course of the summer, and reached thousands of guests and residents. From ArtPrize in Grand Rapids to new alliances with artists in the Upper Peninsula to an enrichment program and art competition for students at Mackinac Island Public School, we worked across sectors to build support and appreciation for arts and culture in Michigan’s “crown jewel.”

None of these efforts would be possible without the ongoing and steadfast contributions of members like you. It is a rare privilege to be a part of a community where the arts are valued as deeply and supported as directly as they are on Mackinac Island. As we enter 2018, we are grateful for the lasting impact made by your continued donations of time and resources, and are proud to advance the cause of greater access to arts and culture on Mackinac Island this year and many more to come.

GRANTS

The Mackinac Arts Council is an advocate for the arts on Mackinac Island. As well as awarding grants, we seek grants each year to help support our programming and operations.

Grants Awarded 2017

Richard & Jane Manoogian Art Award $2,500
In conjunction with Mackinac State Historic Parks for the annual art competition at the Richard & Jane Manoogian Mackinac Island Art Museum.

Art & Music in the Schools $3,897
Mackinac Island Public School Art & Music supplies, events, trips, and programs.

Grants Received 2017

Mackinac Island Community Foundation $10,000

Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs $3,500

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Financial Snapshot

Summarized Statement of Financial Position as of December 2017, not yet audited

Total Revenues: $70,169
Total Expenses: $55,690
Total Assets: $107,285

Endowment Fund
Mackinac Island Community Foundation
Total: $122,090
2017 PROGRAMS & EVENTS

Celebrating the creativity and boundless potential and value of every person, the Mackinac Arts Council’s mission is to collaborate with arts and other organizations to create, sponsor and promote Mackinac Island artistic activities, artists and programs, thus enriching the quality of life of all Island residents, including K-12 students, seasonal workers and guests visiting the Island.

The Center for the Arts hosted displays of art on the grounds of Mission Point Resort. 2017 shows included poetry and artwork by Mackinac Island Public School students, artwork from Upper Peninsula artists, and work en route to ArtPrize in Grand Rapids.

In 2017 the Mackinac Arts Council published its first ever book—a collection of writings by local authors in celebration of Henry David Thoreau’s 200th birthday. The new book was presented in conjunction with an art exhibit and music concert. Thoreau at Mackinac can be purchased at the Island Bookstore or online.

In 2017 the Mackinac Arts Council adopted the classical music series from the Mackinac Island Community Foundation, hosting five concerts at Ste. Anne’s Church and Trinity Church over the Summer and Fall.

2017 saw the return of movies in the Mission Point Theater, with an emphasis on Mackinac Island originals including This Time for Keeps, some lesser-known Moral Re-Armament films, and of course, Somewhere in Time.

Music in the Park — Workshops at the Museum — Special Events — Performing Arts — Exhibits in the Gallery — Movies on Mackinac

STAFF & VOLUNTEERS

MAC operates with a full-time Program Director, a part-time Bookkeeper and Administrative Assistant, and two interns. Many dedicated volunteers and in-kind contributions of office space and event support enable MAC to remain active with many different projects.

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*denotes summer interns
Thank you, 2017 Supporters!

Mackinac Arts Council is very grateful for your support through donations of time, money, and resources in 2017. We would also like to extend a warm thank you to all who attended and supported our 2017 fundraisers.

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