MACKINAC ARTS COUNCIL, now in its 20th year, works in partnership with Michigan Arts and Culture Council, Michigan Humanities, Mackinac Island Community Foundation, Mackinac State Historic Parks, Richard and Jane Manoogian Mackinac Art Museum, the City of Mackinac Island, Mackinac Island Tourism Bureau, Mackinac Island Public Schools, plus many community groups and businesses to meet the arts and cultural needs of Mackinac Island through a diversity of initiatives, services and cultural programming. We thank you for joining us in our endeavor to provide quality arts programming on beautiful Mackinac Island.

Dear Friends,

As we head into our 20th year of operation, we are grateful to serve our unique island community in sharing our mission of meeting the arts and cultural needs of all who reside, study, work, and visit on Mackinac Island. Using data from the 2021 audience and island employee study, we have created new programs to better serve our seasonal employees and island residents, celebrating the multicultural fabric of Mackinac Island. We have, at the same time, redoubled our effort to enhance the quality of existing offerings in support of exceptional, mission-focused, choices in education and entertainment.

Mackinac Arts Council began in 2003 under the prudent leadership of founder Becki Barnwell who collaborated with community leaders of Mackinac. Since those early years, with the ever-deepening support of the entire Mackinac Island community, Mackinac Arts Council developed, step by step.

Today, the arts council manages 100 events over all four seasons with the dedicated work of two full time staff members. All planning and strategy are led by a 14 member Board of Directors, which in turn share their expertise in committee initiatives of programming, community engagement, membership, funding, and operations. The board represents a broad spectrum of the Mackinac Island community of business and the arts as it strives to respond to community interests of a diverse Mackinac Island.

Through this development and growth, it has been our faithful supporting families and friends of the arts who have continued to make our work possible. We celebrate you as our steadfast supporters and recognize you as the backbone of all we accomplish for the arts and culture today. Thank you for being an essential partner in all we do.

With gratitude,

MARK WARE
Board President
WORKSHOPS at the Museum
TEN WEEKS OF CLASSES

With generous support from the Mackinac Island Community Foundation and partnership from Mackinac State Historic Parks, Mackinac Arts Council produced the first Music on the Trail festival, an afternoon of back-to-back outdoor concerts along the Botanical Trail to Arch Rock.

CLASSICAL MUSIC
SEVEN WEEKS OF CONCERTS

In 2022 Mackinac Arts Council offered intermediate to advanced in-depth workshops including a day-long plein air painting class with island artist Maeve Croghan.

INTERNATIONAL Celebrations

With support from the National Endowment for the Arts, Mackinac Arts Council produced four events celebrating the international community of employees and residents on Mackinac Island: Latin America, Jamaica, Eastern Europe, and the Midwest.
PROGRAMS

Mackinac Arts Council continued full programming in 2022, introducing new programs that responded directly to survey data collected in a 2021 study of Mackinac Island residents and visitors. The council produced or supported over 100 events spanning the entire calendar year, including Music in the Park, Workshops at the Museum, Performing Arts, Mackinac’s Got Talent, Exhibits in the Gallery, Movies on Mackinac, Mackinac Island Shakespeare Festival, Art & Music in the School, Community Theatre, A Very Merry Mackinac, International Celebrations, and Music on the Trail.

MUSICAL in the Park
TEN WEEKS OF CONCERTS

Mackinac’s Got Talent continued in 2022, drawing huge crowds and great talent. Pictured above, Julia Coha performs operatic selections that earned her the grand prize.

In 2022, exhibits focused upon uniquely Mackinac Island expressions, with Poetic Visions of Mackinac open to public submissions, and the Mackinac Showcase supporting local artists. Pictured above is work by Clyde Hart, a resident of Saint Ignace.

COMMUNITY THEATRE

Mackinac Island Community Theatre produced a fully staged production of The Music Man in April, and How the Grinch Stole Christmas in December, both with cast and crew entirely comprised of Mackinac Island residents.

EXHIBITS in the gallery
As part of a mainstay of Mackinac Island life through all four seasons of the year, Doud’s Market is a key source of nutrients for many of the 500-1500 residents who live year around on the Island. When times are rough, the grocery has teamed up with the Mackinac Island Service Company to deliver groceries to winter residents. Many also take snowmobiles during winter months to get their groceries at Doud’s.

With its four generations of Doud family members managing since 1884, small town values and an appreciation for a family’s place in community has ensured the current generation, Andrew and Nicole Doud, are active in several community endeavors. With this enduring commitment to community, Andrew and Nicole Doud decided also to be a part of our Mackinac Arts Council $5,000 a year for 5-year Annual Giving Program.

Our $5,000 a year for 5-year Annual Giving Program allows families to participate at a meaningful level over several years. This commitment to building community through arts, helps ensure a fifth generation will also enjoy the culture and arts of Mackinac Island.

Note: At this level of giving, families get an opportunity in collaboration with the Council to be a lead sponsor on a single event. Patrons are entitled to 2 complimentary tickets to an on-Island Mackinac Arts Council fund raiser event, 2 complimentary tickets to a ticketed programming event at Mackinac Arts Council Center for Arts at Mission Point Resort plus 2 partner memberships which gives a 50% discount on many arts workshops.

Margaret McIntire understood the impact a strong endowment provides for the arts.

‘Mrs. Mac’, as she was affectionately known, gave generously to Mackinac Arts Council from its beginning in 2003. She was also a founding board member of the Mackinac Island Community Foundation.

Honoring her love for beauty and the arts, upon her passing in 2022, her family designated gifts in her memory go in part to the Mackinac Arts Council fund managed by the Mackinac Island Community Foundation. As her daughter Mary K McIntire noted, “My mother believed, as Alice Waters wrote, that ‘beauty is the language of care.’” Many of us on Mackinac and those involved in sustaining its arts and culture agree.

With love we continue to pay tribute to our founding patron Margaret McIntire, who was with us in the beginning and who faithfully supported our mission over many years. Her support and guidance, her wit and insights are dearly missed, but her legacy continues.

An Endowment gift to Mackinac Arts Council is invested for the long term in our fund held at the Mackinac Island Community Foundation, with a goal of raising $4 million to secure the future of the arts on Mackinac Island. Donors may dedicate 100% of their contributions to the Endowment Fund, providing long term viability of our organization and stabilizing arts programming for the community year-to-year.

To give to our Mackinac Arts Council Endowment Fund, you may give as noted below, specifying your gift for the Endowment Fund. Alternatively, you may give directly to Mackinac Island Community Foundation, specifying the Mackinac Arts Council Endowment Fund.

Please give a gift of beauty for future generations. As Warren Buffett reminds us, “Someone’s sitting in the shade today because someone planted a tree a long time ago.”

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IN KIND GIVING, A GIFT OF THE HEART

A REMARKABLE Mackinac LEGACY

MACKINAC IS NOTED for its generosity and many among us quietly contribute in numerous, unacknowledged ways. Sometimes it’s not just out of pocket cash, but what we already have that we can offer.

Since our beginning, and over 20 years, Mackinac Arts Council has flourished because of the generous financial support and the remarkable in-kind contributions from our family, individual and business friends across the entire Mackinac Island Community.

Providing housing and meals for visiting Island artists is an annual challenge for the Mackinac Arts Council. Year after year the community has generously opened their hotels, guest houses, and restaurants to provide for Mackinac Arts Council visiting artists at no or discounted cost to the Council.

Plus, there are numerous other ways the Mackinac Island community supports our work through in-kind donations.

We appreciate the way our supporters have generously given their donations and in-kind contributions to help grow a vibrant arts community on Mackinac Island. If you have given in kind in any way or time, we thank you.

Thanks to an ongoing collaboration, Mackinac State Historic Parks donates the usage of Marquette Park as the venue for our flagship program, Music in the Park.

Musicians donate time and talent for many Mackinac Arts Council activities. Pictured here (left to right), David Jasmund, Donny Sorenson, and Heather May volunteered as musicians in the orchestra for the Spring 2022 Mackinac Island Community Theatre production of The Music Man.

Veuve Clicquot, one of several brands managed by Moët Hennessy USA, has partnered with Mackinac Arts Council for several years, donating product and service at events.

Mrs. Margaret D. McIntire with grandson, Sam Barnwell
In 2021 Mackinac Arts Council embarked on a comprehensive study of the Mackinac Island community with financial support from the Mackinac Island Community Foundation. Headed by industry leader Lisa Craig Brisson, executive director of the Michigan Museums Association, the twofold study sought to identify feedback within existing arts and culture audiences, and needs among the seasonal employee population.

The final data, delivered in 2022, showed that the employee population deeply valued, nature, wellness, and friendship as core experiences on Mackinac Island. We also learned that the timing of events when considering work schedules was a key barrier to arts access. To respond to this need we created two new programs, Music on the Trail and International Celebrations, to facilitate social engagement centered around culture and the outdoors. Both programs were timed to accommodate work schedules, and both programs received broad support from the workforce community with hundreds of attendees over five total events.

We also discovered that the demographic makeup of our existing audiences was considerably more diverse than we anticipated, with participants at events from across the entire spectrum of people who find themselves on Mackinac Island (see chart at right).
Mackinac Arts Council benefits from some key grants that help make our work possible all four seasons of the year. Essential to our work and legacy is enduring support from field of interest funds that grant to the arts on Mackinac held at Mackinac Island Community Foundation.

**Thank you to our corporate donors in 2022**

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THERE ARE MANY WAYS TO SUPPORT ARTS AND CULTURE ON MACKINAC ISLAND
Whether you are an individual or an organization, you can support Mackinac Arts Council through donations, sponsorship, membership, legacy gifts, volunteering, and more.

Summer 2023 is full of engaging arts and culture programs, including Music in the Park, Workshops at the Museum, Performing Arts, Shakespeare Festival, Movies, Exhibits, and more! Explore the lineup online.

OPENING ACT
Celebrate the start of the 2023 Summer season of Arts and Culture on Mackinac Island! Join us for cocktails, hors d’oeuvres, and live music!

JUNE 17 · 5:00PM · JOCKEY CLUB
TICKETS MACKINACARTSCOUNCIL.ORG

PAINT & PUTT
Join us for a mini golf scramble (costumes optional) supporting Mackinac Island Public School art and music. Compete as a team, sponsor a hole, or just come and enjoy the games!

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Looking back upon our founding year, Mackinac Arts Council hosted three keystone events in 2003. This set the stage for the next 20 years of enriching the Mackinac Island community through art with over 100 events being produced in 2022! None of this would be possible without the continued commitment of you, our supporters. As we celebrate our 20th Anniversary year in 2023, we invite you to donate to Mackinac Arts Council now to keep the legacy growing the next 20 years.

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