Arts Council of Pendleton



Mission:

The Arts Council of Pendleton is dedicated to enriching the cultural climate of the region by promoting and creating education, exhibition and performance opportunities in the arts, and is committed to maintaining stewardship of the Pendleton Center for the Arts. One of the core values that guides the organization is that art, music and creative expression should be accessible to all, and they are committed to identifying and breaking down the barriers that individuals and families might have to participation. In addition to a robust schedule of events, they make the building available for use by the public for a diverse array of activities, events and family gatherings. The Arts Council recognizes the important contribution that artists, craftspeople and musicians make to the creative economy and strive to educate the public about the fact that making art is important work. The organization is also committed to being financially sound, and balances support from public and private foundations, local donors and Arts Council members with earned income from class tuition, art and fine craft sales and venue rentals.

VOLUNTEER

It's easy to become part of the Arts Center's community of volunteers, whether your skills and interests align best with project-based work or regularly scheduled shifts. August 2016 marks the 100th anniversary of the opening of the Carnegie building, and the Arts Council would like to engage as many community members as possible to help plan celebration events. Stop by or call 541-278-9201 to connect with us.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Arts Council of Pendleton is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that was founded in 1974, one of the first arts non-profits in the state of Oregon. The organization operates the Pendleton Center for the Arts, which opened its doors in 2001, after a \$1.8 million renovation of the old library building on Main Street.

Arts Center offerings include rotating art exhibits in the East Oregonian Gallery, year-round shopping in the Pendleton Foundation Trust Fine Craft Gallery, live music performances in a diverse array of genres, and the First Draft Writers' Series, which brings notable literary artists to the stage each month. Education programming includes year-round free and low-cost classes for youth and adults, and the totally FREE Art Rocks Teens class series, including a week-long Rock & Roll Camp. Outreach classes extend the Arts Center offerings beyond the building to audiences in day treatment centers, alternative education settings, assisted living facilities and more.

GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

Businesses and individuals in the community support the Arts Center in a variety of ways, including sponsorships, memberships, and contributions.

Fundraising efforts in 2016 include a room naming project, and a Gala Dinner & Auction in November.

Stop by and visit with us a onetime contribution, or leaving a legacy through planned giving. Your gift may be tax-deductible and serves as a match to the Oregon Cultural Trust.



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