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Annual Report



MEET OUR FRIEND Cassie Enright

What programs do you participate in with Arts4All Florida-Palm Beach County (A4AFL-PBC)? I am in many visual arts and performing arts programs like mixed media, glass art, dance, and community theatre.

What do you like about participating in A4AFL-PBC? Hove all my programs. They are fun. I learn cool stuff and I get to be with my friends. My teachers are fun.

Do you have a favorite program that you do with A4AFL-PBC?

I love all my classes, especially visual arts classes like pottery and mixed media because its fun and I like making things. Making stuff makes me happy.

What positive changes have you experienced from participating A4AFL-PBC programs? I have learned new things and made new friends. It gives me something to look forward to every week. I am happier when I have classes.



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MEET OUR TEACHING ARTIST:

VISUAL

Brooke Strode



You have taught a wide variety of classes for both adults and youth, what is your favorite art class or media to teach and why? Hove teaching collage. It is such a great way to see each artists' style come through. When the final pieces are hung together, it is just magical. Everyone can be working on the same project and they turn out SO differently.

What is one of your favorite moments as a teaching artist with A4AFL-PBC? There have been so many! One of my favorite moments was from one of my first collage classes. There was a new student who was not sure if she liked her artwork and was doubting herself. When she stood up to present her artwork at the end of the class when we have everyone go around and share their art, several other artists got so excited they practically gasped at what she created. They loved it so much that it made her feel better about her art; you could literally see the uncertainty leave her face. They are genuinely supportive of each other.

with disabilities? My little brother, Ryan (27) has Down needs community, especially the adult group over the activities for children with disabilities but I think there needs to be more affordable resources for adults.

Other - If there is something you would like to say or add instead of one of the questions above feel free to do so here: Right now I am transitioning my career from Graphic Design over to working with people with disabilities. My dream is to open a community here in Southeast Florida for special needs adults to live. A home that gives them a structured environment where they can thrive in adulthood with a purpose and a sense of community while still being affordable to their families. Which is why I love Arts4All so much, they do that every day with all of their students



Ms. April going over some last minute dance moves before they hit the stage.

What do you enjoy the most about teaching Arts4All dance classes? What I enjoy the most about teaching Arts4All dance classes is that even on my worst day, upon my arrival, it's simply no longer a negative one. Once I see my beautiful, unique, and positive dancers they are there with welcoming arms and by the end of class their pure joy and excitement just puts things into perspective that there is more to celebrate and others have such a beautiful way of reminding us of simply that... finding the joy in life!

Do you have a dance or cheer background? I have been involved with dance, cheerleading and gymnastics in one form or another since the age of four. Through the many years of being a performer, I have transitioned to other aspects of my craft. I am a choreographer for the Miss American Coed Pageant system, and also choreographed for local Miss USA, Miss America and Miss Sugar pageants. As a former college cheerleader at the University of Maryland, as well as, a National Cheerleaders Association (NCA) instructor, I have coached cheer at the high school, middle school and college level, along with judged cheerleading throughout the East Coast and across the pond in England.

MEET OUR TEACHING ARTIST:

PFRFORMING

April Coggins



How did you get involved in teaching dance for people with disabilities? My involvement with teaching dance for people with varying abilities simply was when Arts4All reached out to me inquiring if I would be interested. I lucked out having a previous working relationship with Therapeutic Rec during my career as a Recreation Specialist with Palm Beach County.

What has been your favorite performance? Hmmm, so far, one of my favorite performances was this past summer, because it was exciting seeing them perform on the big stage with the lights at Duncan. Now that I am heading into my 4th session, I'm looking forward towards being able to choreograph a new routine inspired by my muses, the dancers themselves! They fuel my creative fire!



We were excited to bring back Ms. Joette Paulone this year as our instructor for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Residency during the week of February 27 - March 2, 2023. As a deaf artist, Joette has an extensive background as a director, actress, teacher, translator, ASL Instructor, teaching aide, language and literary instructor, and storyteller. Joette strives to promote self-esteem, increased awareness, and sensitivity of the Deaf culture and people of all abilities.

Joette worked an entire week at Indian Pines Elementary, and put a play on at the end of the week with the 4th & 5th grade students entitled, "The Recess Queen". The positive message of sharing echoed throughout the halls of the school. She also provided a half-day workshop for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing students at Palm Springs Middle and John I. Leonard High School.

Schools served: Indian Pines Elementary, Dwight D. Eisenhower School, Palm Springs Middle School, and John I. Leonard High School.





The Drama Residency for the Deaf and Hard Of Hearing students is funded by: Cultural Council for Palm Beach County



A final curtain call for the actors.

2022-2023 SCHOOL RESIDENCIES

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2023 Great Charity Challenge Community Foundation of Palm Beach and Martin Counties Cultural Council for Palm Beach County Enterprise Holdings Foundation Lattner Family Foundation

Allamanda Elementary School

Dance Residency with Kali DeCarlo September 2022 - March 2023 18 Classrooms, 142 Students

Connections Education Center of the Palm Beaches

Dance Residency with Kali DeCarlo August 2022 - February 2023 7 Classrooms, 57 Students

Dwight D. Eisenhower Elementary

Dance Residency with Yael Lawrence September 2023 - November 2023 12 Classrooms, 132 Students

Forest Hill Elementary

Dance Residency with Kali DeCarlo September 2022 - April 2023 7 Classrooms, 67 Students

Forest Hill High *New*

Dance Residency with Kat Kenny February 2023 - April 2023 2 Classrooms, 15 Students

John I. Leonard High

Dance Residency with Kat Kenny February 2023 - April 2023 2 Classrooms, 22 Students

Lake Worth Middle *New*

Dance Residency with Kat Kenny September 2023 - November 2023 1 Classroom, 6 Students

North Grade Elementary

Dance Residency with Yael Lawrence January 2023 - March 2023 2 Classrooms, 20 Students

Palm Beach Central High

Dance Residency with Kat Kenny October 2023 - November 2023 1 Classroom, 25 Students

Palm Beach Gardens High

Dance Residency with Kat Kenny September 2023 - November 2023 1 Classroom, 12 Students

Palm Beach Lakes High

Dance Residency with Kat Kenny February 2023 – April 2023 4 Classrooms, 24 Students

Palm Beach School for Autism *New*

Dance Residency with Kali DeCarlo August 2022 - May 2023 14 Classrooms, 128 Students

Seminole Trails Elementary

Dance Residency with Yael Lawrence January 2023 - March 2023 4 Classrooms, 40 Students



Forest Hill Elementary and Bak Middle School Dancers dancing to "Eye of the Tiger" and keeping a sharp eye on their performance.



Palm Beach Central High performing on stage to the song "Freedom".



Palm Beach Gardens High giving a lights out dancing performance to "Dancing in the Dark".

DANCE, DANCE, DANCE

Our dance residency with Forest Hill Elementary School is one of several school-based performing arts programs held throughout the year. Instructor, Kali DeCarlo meets with seven self-contained Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) units once a week for 30 minutes each. Select students in 5th grade are chosen to perform at the Arts4All Florida-Palm Beach County Showcase in December and always put on a show-stopping performance. This dance residency gives students the opportunity to explore the art of dance and movement and to be a part of the creative process.

This past fall the Forest Hill Elementary students performed at the Showcase entitled "All Shining Stars". Ms. Kali choreographed a dance to go along with the song, "Eye of the Tiger". Every week, students practiced diligently with Ms. Kali and encouraged one another to give their very best effort. Even the students from Bak Middle School of the Arts were excited to be on the stage. Learning about themselves, taking chances, having a growth mindset, trying new things, and having fun are just some of the benefits of the dance residency for our very wonderful and special students.





Dancers Helping Dancers

A big thanks to the Bak Middle School of the Arts National Junior Honor Society for Dance Arts and club sponsor Mrs. Hollond Schiller for selling bracelets to fundraise \$500 for A4AFL-PBC's Dance Residency at Forest Hill Elementary School

2023 ARTS4ALL FLORIDA-PALM BEACH COUNTY

WEST FESTIVAL

West Festival 2023 "Storybook Comes to Life" held on February 17th at the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center in Belle Glade, was an amazing day for 127 exceptional education Kindergarten – 3rd grade students.

The students had the opportunity to drum, dance, act and create several pieces of Storybook artwork. T-shirts featuring artwork created by their peers and the activities were possible thanks to resources from western communities' sponsors.



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COMMUNITY AND SCHOOL PROGRAMS

PERFORMING

Community Theatre

Dance

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Drama Club

Improv

Literary Art

Singing

Write to Play

PERFORMERS SERVED

102

VISUAL

Acrylic Painting

Art Exploration

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ArtPOP Jr.

Collage

Drawing, Pen and Ink

Family Workshops

Fiber Arts

Gallery Exhibits

Glass Works

Jewelry Making

Mixed Media

Photography

Pottery

Sculpture

Spray Art

Watercolors

Youth Art Adventures

ARTISTS SERVED

544

SCHOOLS SERVED

Allamanda Elementary School

Belle Glade Elementary School

Connections Education Center of the Palm Beaches

Dwight D. Eisenhower Elementary School

Forest Hill Elementary School

Forest Hill High School

Glade View Elementary School

Gove Elementary School

Indian Pines Elementary School

John I. Leonard High School

KEC Canal Point Elementary School

North Grade Elementary School

Pahokee Elementary School

Palm Beach Central High School

Palm Beach Gardens High School

Palm Beach Lakes High School

Palm Springs Middle School

Palm Beach School for Autism

Pioneer Park Elementary School

Rosenwald Elementary School

Seminole Trails Elementary School

SCHOOLS SERVED

21

PERFORMING AND VISUAL ARTS PROGRAMS

- For children, teens and adults
- Includes dance, drama, improv, singing, literary art, sculpting, drawing, painting, mixed media, spray art, photography, pottery and more.

664

ADULTS SERVED

1,064

STUDENTS SERVED

60

PROGRAMS & EVENTS

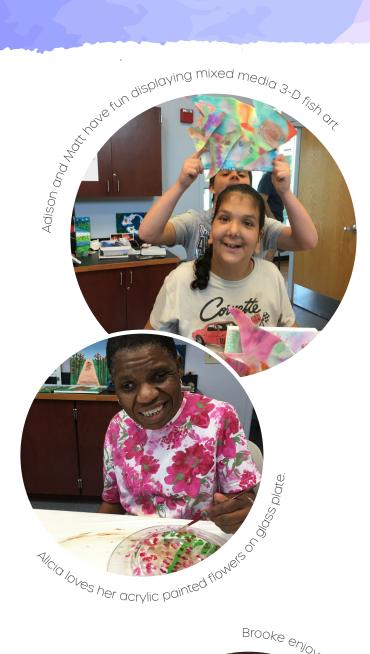
80,718

LIVE AUDIENCE

255

VIRTUAL AUDIENCE

16 | IN-SCHOOL RESIDENCIES & EVENTS





FEATURED CLASSES

Community Theatre

Arts4All Florida-Palm Beach County's (A4AFL-PBC) Community Theatre Program continues to be a big hit with our teen and adult actors. This unique program is designed to create an opportunity for teens and adults with disabilities to develop talents in theatre arts. The actors are taught by two multi-talented local theatre professionals, Kat Kenny and Nathan Stubbs. The instructors identify the strengths of the participants who audition for roles based upon their abilities and interests. The program teaches participants to work together as an ensemble in a positive and constructive way leading towards their mutual goal. This wonderful program culminated in a performance of "Famous Movie Quotes Re-imagined", a very entertaining and humorous original script written by instructor Kat Kenny and performed at the A4AFL-PBC Celebration of the Arts on August 3, 2023.



Casey, Karen, and Cassie starting off the show.



Yoryi, Mark, Xiomara, and Eric trying to nail a famous movie line during the play.



The Footloose Frenzy group nailing their performance.

Dance

Arts4All Florida-Palm Beach County's dance program gives the participants the wonderful opportunity to learn a dance routine, work together, and perform live on a stage. Our instructor, April Coggins, has the amazing talent of being able to teach the participants, and give them the confidence to try something new. The name of the dance group this year was "Footloose Frenzy". They dazzled the audience with an energetic live performance to the song "Footloose" by Kenny Loggins at the A4AFL-PBC Celebration of the Arts on August 3, 2023.

Art Adventures for Youth

Youth student artists explore their creativity, grow self-confidence, and enhance life and art skills.



Adison paints her paper maché hot air balloon with mom's help.





Kerrin learns to throw a clay mug on the pottery wheel.

Pottery

Pottery class, a student favorite, leads to amazing sculptural expression through a focus on physical skills, spatial awareness, learning clay techniques, and expanding creativity.

2023 A4AFL-PBC KATIE GARDNER MEMORIAL

GOLF TOURNAMENT

The A4AFL-PBC 26th Annual Katie Gardner Memorial Golf Tournament held on May 12, 2023 at Trump National Golf Club Jupiter featured 108 golfers and was a grand success.

A special thanks to the management and staff at Trump National Golf Club Jupiter for going above and beyond to make the AAFL-PBC tournament run smoothly.

The Tournament raised \$40,168.71 for Arts4All Florida-Palm Beach County. A4AFL-PBC thanks the Golf Committee and our Sponsors for contributing to the success of the tournament.

Plans are underway for the 27th Annual Tournament. Please call the A4AFL-PBC office at **(561) 966-7025** or visit our website at **www.a4apbc.com** to be a part of our winning team!

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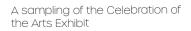
2023 LAKE WORTH BEACH

STREET PAINTING FESTIVAL

Cassie, our featured student artist, sat on the streets of Lake Worth Beach with us to help create and paint with chalk this 4'x6' whimsical feather.

Cassie said, "Our feather is awesome. I picked my favorite colors, pink and purple, and learned how to use my color palette. It was fun. I liked seeing all the art and being part of it. It was hard work but it made me feel special."

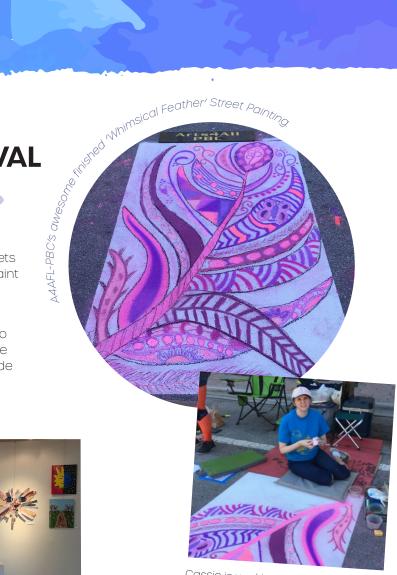






Pottery Bowl by LiSandra on Expire





Cassie is working with her favorite color palette to help create the street art

Celebration of the Arts Gallery Exhibit

Forty-one student artists in our visual arts classes were inspired and guided by our talented teaching artists to explore a variety of media, styles and techniques. The Exhibit celebrated over 200 pieces of their artwork from earthy pottery to surrealistic collage.

SHOWCASE

Arts4All Florida-Palm Beach County's 2022 Showcase, "All Shining Stars", was once again an amazing show held at the Duncan Theatre.

Show director Kat Litrenta put together a wonderful Showcase. Performers included: Forest Hill Elementary with Bak Middle School dancers (dance group), Southern Dance Theatre (dance group), Jarel Londy (soloist), Palm Beach Central High (dance group), Doo-Whoppers (singing group), Palm Beach Gardens High (dance group), Amanda Hewett (soloist), Showstoppers (dance group), Brian Chen (soloist), and The Spotlighters (song and dance group).

Our videographer, Carlos Gallego, recorded the show and took photographs before and during the Showcase. Thanks to Carlos, we are able to share the amazing show with you.



The SpotLighters closing down the showcase with an awesome tribute medley to the rock band "Queen".



Arts4All Florida-Palm Beach County would like to thank our artists who performed, along with everyone who worked behind the scenes of "All Shining Stars" to make our show so entertaining.

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