

Grants: Artists in Schools / ArtReach / Special Projects / Key West Writers Guild

\$42,650 in Direct Arts Funding in 2015-2016: The Arts Council is committed to advancing the creative development and promotion of the arts in our cultural community.

ARTISTS IN SCHOOLS GRANTS AWARDED:

Capturing the Keys: Artist Julie Austin with Martha Loizeaux at Ocean Studies Charter School, taught elements of photography in the field and connected students with nature.

Conservation Challenge: Science & Art: Conservator Monica Brook and Education Coordinator Shannon Burgess of the Mel Fisher Maritime Museum, inspired students with history, an artistic conservation experience utilizing archeology techniques with clay pots.

Fabric & Jewelry Art: Artist/Teacher Margo Ellis, together with Special Ed Teacher Lance Benson of Gerald Adams School, brought fiber art into the classroom serving students with emotional and behavioral disabilities.



Board Liaison, Ann Lynch assists Gerald Adams' students with their Conservation Challenge.

Poetry in the Schools Residency Program:

Writer Cricket Desmarais engaged Montessori Charter School K-8 students with language, writing, and poetry.

Symphony in Schools- The World Turned Upside Down: Donna Wissinger and Joy Myers of ARTZ OUT LOUD, in partnership with the Monroe County School District and the South Florida Symphony Orchestra presented a program of music and stories of the American Revolution which served over 3,000 elementary students.

Vocal & Songwriting Class: Adrienne Zolodnick, with the Bahama Village Music Program, performed at the Bahama Village Music Program Block Party.

TROPIC CINEMA LEADER PROJECT

KWHS TV/Pro: High School students, under the direction of teacher Ed Smith, write, create and produce 60-second leaders for the Tropic Cinema. (2015-2016 is an off year.)

ART REACH - AUDIENCE BUILDING GRANTS PROGRAM

Annie Segan, PhD in Key West Bringing Arthur Rothstein to Life: Key West Art & Historical Society and Key West High School. Ms. Segan shared her father's remarkable and humbling photographs of spongers, cigar makers, barbers, fishermen and architecture that demonstrated the frailty and the resilience of communities along the island chains.

ArtVenture: Spring Break 2016: The Studios of Key West and the Black Educators Memorial Project partner, to expand opportunities for creative experiences for underserved students ages 7-11, thereby increasing their reach.

50th Anniversary Judged Art Show: Art Guild of the Purple Isles and the Keys History & Discovery Center increased awareness and brought new audiences to each organization in Islamorada.

Key West Changing Rooms: Artist Andrew Printer and Key West High School Gay Straight Alliance partnered to create a photo exhibit at TSKW. Students expressed their vision of change through photo-documentary genre using their choice of a photo tool - classic camera, smart phone or disposable camera.



Symphony in Schools: Teaching artist Donna Wissinger with Marathon Switlik students perform Peter and the Wolf with the South Florida Symphony.

Juggling provides enormous benefits to students as it promotes focus, concentration and learning.
-Jamie Cates,
May Sands Montessori Charter in Key West



Liz Young with Sue D'Antonio, and Show Chair Cris Sandifer at the Art Guild of the Purple Isles' 50th opening reception.



Lucy Carleton, Michael Philip and Liz Young at the KWSkin exhibit opening at TSKW.

Key West Characters: Fringe Theater of Key West and the Mel Fisher Maritime Museum partnered to commission playwright, Toby Armour to research and develop a play about the amazing life of Mel Fisher.

Portrait in Underwater Paradise: History of Diving Museum, with Don Gonzales and Jon Dreaver's project launched a plein aquatic expo using an underwater sketch pad to capture Key Largo's coral reef during a scuba adventure.

Womankind: Windows As An Art Gallery: The Waypoint Foundation and Womankind displayed large scale black & white photographs taken in Vietnam during the war to honor the new Vietnam Living Memorial in Key West.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

Dry Tortugas National Park Artist in Residence: The National Parks Art Foundation with artists Anna Glynn and Peter Dalmuzzo. We supported the very first Artist in Residence Program at the remote National Park on Loggerhead Key.

KW Skin: Photographer Michael A. Philip, in conjunction with The Studios of Key West, presented a photographic exhibition portraying 40 local men and women who defy conventions of aging.

Learn to Juggle: with performing artists Bounce and Karen Margil at six different elementary and middle schools throughout Monroe County. Students are taught the basics of holding a ball, how to throw, where to throw, where the eyes go and how to catch.

Mystery Writers Key West Fest: Writers Shirrel Rhodes and Michael Haskins coordinated an interactive mystery Writer's Festival to augment the region's rich literary culture by presenting a focus in the mystery tradition.

KEY WEST WRITERS GUILD AWARD

In 2016, Rusty Hodgdon received the \$2,000 award for his novel in progress, "Selfie".

SOUTH FLORIDA CULTURAL CONSORTIUM FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

The SFCC Fellowship Program offers the largest regional, government-sponsored artists' grants in the US, awarding \$15,000 and \$7,500 fellowships to resident visual and media artists from Broward, Martin, Miami-Dade, Monroe and Palm Beach counties. In 2016, Key West's Deborah Goldman was awarded \$15,000.