

# Brookline Arts Center

## A SNAPSHOT FROM FY 18



### HIGHLIGHTS

- Enrolled over 1,400 students.
- Awarded scholarships to over 30 students.
- Debuted two new special events for adults - Halloween pARTy and Hops & Crafts.
- Displayed the work of over 80 professional and emerging artists in our gallery.
- Launched our first annual Echo Trobridge Artist Residency Program with support from Brookline Commission for the Arts.

### MISSION

WE ARE A VISUAL ARTS CENTER COMMITTED TO BRINGING THE COMMUNITY MEANINGFUL EXPERIENCES IN THE ARTS THROUGH CLASSES, EXHIBITIONS AND OUTREACH.

### A YEAR IN REVIEW

FY 18 was a monumental year for the Brookline Arts Center within and beyond our walls. We have grown in so many ways.

Our classes thrived, with many new students and families joining through new and expanding partnerships. We offered diverse exhibitions in our gallery, several special events and expanded community-focused programs.

We piloted new classes for all ages, welcoming new faculty members with a variety of expertise. We introduced new partnerships with four Brookline Public Schools, offering classes with BAC Faculty in their after school enrichment programs. These partnerships continue to grow as we enter FY 19.

We presented eight exhibitions in our gallery in FY 18, including a national juried show and New England juried show, two solo artist exhibitions, a BAC Faculty exhibition, BAC student



exhibition, our annual ART Off The Wall and our inaugural Echo Trobridge Artist Residency.

Last but certainly not least, we embarked on a phased, multi-year capital program to address our building's needs. The plan consists of a series of construction projects which can be completed while keeping the Center open year round. The first of these projects, the renovation of the first floor studios and the addition of a fully accessible restroom, was completed in five weeks over our winter break.

All of these accomplishments set the stage for our future as a thriving community arts center.



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# HIGHLIGHTS

## Red, White + Blue

Our national exhibition, *Red, White + Blue*, featured the work of 45 artists from across the country, selected by juror Camilø Álvarez. Camilø utilized space in the gallery, Studio 1, stairway and second floor hallway to transform the building into a poignant showcase of work reflecting national identity, political commentary and diverse interpretations of pride.

Along with the reception, we also hosted a special juror's talk and discussion with Camilø.



## School Partnerships

This past year, we were thrilled to launch partnerships with four of Brookline's Public Schools.

Visual arts classes in a variety of mediums are offered throughout the week with experienced BAC faculty members in each schools' after school enrichment program.

These partnerships help us expand access beyond our walls and continue engaging with more students in art beyond their regular classroom.

## Together We Thrive Community Mural

Over the summer, we were proud to unveil "Together We Thrive," a bold new community mural by artist Silvia López Chavez on the exterior of the Egmont Public Housing Community Room.

The concept for this mural takes inspiration from the multi-cultural Egmont community, and the many ways this community space is enjoyed and used day-to-day. Residents were part of the process from beginning to end.



## Financials - FY 18

Income from Programs	440,000
Fundraising	58,000
Grants/Scholarships	28,000
Misc. Income	1,000
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>527,000</b>

Program Expense	184,000
Advertising Expense	28,000
Fundraising Expense	6,000
Grant/Scholarship Expense	13,000
Administrative Expense	246,000
B&G Expense	43,000
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>520,000</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>7,000</b>

We rely on the generosity of our donors and funders to support new programs, community outreach and scholarships and to sustain our historic firehouse.

## STAFF

**Lauren Riviello** / EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

**Lex Vazquez** / ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

**Lauren Trombino-Walleser** / COMMUNICATIONS & DEVELOPMENT MANAGER

**Leonie Little-Lex** / STUDIO COORDINATOR/FACULTY

## Capital Program



We were thrilled to complete phase one of our multi-year renovation plan during our winter break in FY 18.

The work included a comprehensive renovation of the first floor studios and the addition of a fully accessible restroom. Our goal for phase one was to create a more welcoming and flexible environment for our many varied programs that use the space throughout the year. This phase included a \$150,000 investment in our building.