



Annual Report

2022-2023



(812) 738-2123



harrisoncountyarts.org



113 E Beaver Street
Corydon, IN
47112

Connecting creativity and community through the power of Art!

WELCOME

In this first annual report of our organization (spanning June 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023), a remarkable period in the history of HCA emerges. Words, photos, and numbers tell the story of a community finding inspiration in our new galleries, which have come alive with exciting exhibits, art classes, artist talks, spoken word and poetry readings, music, and much more.

In June and July of 2022, we held our inaugural exhibit in our new space, the old Maurice Griffin and Co. store, redesigned by HCA artist Rita Koerber, who maintained the integrity and historic charm of the interior, while transforming it into a 21st century gallery space. The Linda K Shoults Resource Center on the second floor was dedicated during this time. From our opening until today, we have continued to maintain the interior of this building with the highest standards, and add improvements, to our space. Except for our annual fundraiser, all of our events have been free admission.

We have faithfully created a colorful and joyful space in the heart of downtown Corydon that is a place of welcome and belonging for everyone.

Our work has also reached outside our galleries. HCA applied for and received a grant to fund Carrie Johns creation of the Zimmerman mural which celebrates both the history of the "glass factory" and the town of Corydon. We collaborated with Beckort Auctions to present "Sidney Crosier and Company", an exhibition of works from the Larry Ordner Collection featuring pieces by the well-known Harrison County artist, Sidney D. Crosier (1858 – 1930). We held our first Annual Light Up Corydon Parade of Lanterns, which included over 150 youth of the area who created and carried in the parade their own unique works of art.

These significant achievements have not gone unnoticed. Our artists and events have received quite a bit of press coverage in Southern Indiana Living Magazine, The Corydon Democrat, the News and Tribune, and Dubois County Herald.

Contents

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT	pg	4
ACTIVITIES	pg	5
FINANCIALS	pg	10
HONOR ROLL OF DONORS	pg	10
LOOKING AHEAD	pg	10



ACTIVITIES

Light Up Corydon Parade of Lanterns 2022

The Lantern Making Workshops for children fostered artistic expression and community involvement, becoming a successful annual tradition.



We rang in the holiday season with The Light Up Corydon Lantern parade. This included around 150 participants from the Harrison County community.

Sidney Crosier & Company Exhibition

This collection of artwork displayed by Laconia Artist, Sidney Crosier (1858-1930), offered the viewer a rare opportunity to see some of the artworks that hold clues to the past life of Harrison County, and contribute to our self-understanding as a County.



ACTIVITIES

Classes at HCA

In 2022 and 2023 our artist members at Harrison County Arts provided a diverse range of courses to the Harrison County community. From stone carving to oil painting, we will continue to offer course for all ages and levels of expertise!



Our art classes and workshops provide valuable opportunities for community members to explore their creativity, learn new skills, and appreciate the arts. More than 90 artists have participated in our courses.

Grand Opening in our beautiful Beaver Street Location!





BRIAN JONES

PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF
DIRECTORS

Letter From The President

Dear Friends of Harrison County Arts (HCA),

HCA believes the power of art can connect our community with creativity. We believe art can ignite positive change in both an individual and a community. These values are the foundation of all our programs, works, relationships and art experiences.

From the thousands of for-profit and non-profit galleries to the 55,000+ museums around the world, such institutions symbolize the significant role the arts play in helping us understand and navigate the world. Art comes in many forms, and without arts and culture philanthropy, there would be far fewer opportunities to empower and educate youth, help people heal from trauma, or revitalize under-served communities.

To many of us, the arts are more than just Louisville's Actor's Theater or the Fund for the Arts, so donors should use a wide lens when considering their giving strategy. For instance, organizations such as HCA serve as knowledge and culture hubs, places for individuals to connect with others and participate in arts and community development initiatives.

While much of the arts in this country is partially supported by government funding and corporations, arts philanthropy also plays a crucial role in ensuring the arts remain a vibrant field. Arts philanthropy is much more than just keeping our doors open, it also creates a healthy organizational culture, helps supporters feel connected to their communities, and gives people a tangible way to support a vital community nutrient.

With your support, HCA will continue to grow and reward our community with beautiful and informative exhibitions, creative classes and workshops, interesting and compelling lectures and presentations, entertaining festivals, and public programming. With your support we will connect our community with creativity through the power of Art. Thank you for pitching in on that effort.

Sincerely,
Brian H. Jones
President, Harrison County Arts

Financial Report

Highlights

- Total Sales:** Sales for the 2022-2023 fiscal year were \$42,869, representing an impressive increase of 50% compared to the previous year. This marked the highest sales revenue achieved within the past five years.
- Highest Grossing Month:** December 2022 was the standout month, generating the highest grossing revenue at \$6,588.
- Artistic Success:** Harrison County Arts sold a significant number of art pieces in the 2022-2023 fiscal year, sourced from a diverse group of artists.
- Square Implementation:** Harrison County Arts implemented Square, a financial services platform, in the year 2023. This decision was made to streamline the point-of-sale experience and improve inventory management.

Support:

- Public Support:** Harrison County Arts received generous public support amounting to \$15,441.
- Individual & Business Contributions:** Contributions from individuals and businesses were substantial, totaling \$9,296.
- Government & Grant Support:** The organization secured \$30,345 in government and grant support, reflecting a remarkable increase of 35% compared to the previous year. This achievement also marked the highest government and grant support received within the past five years.

50%

Art Sale Increase

Sales were \$42,869 representing an increase of 50% versus 2021. Sales in 2022-23 were the highest within the past five year period.

35%

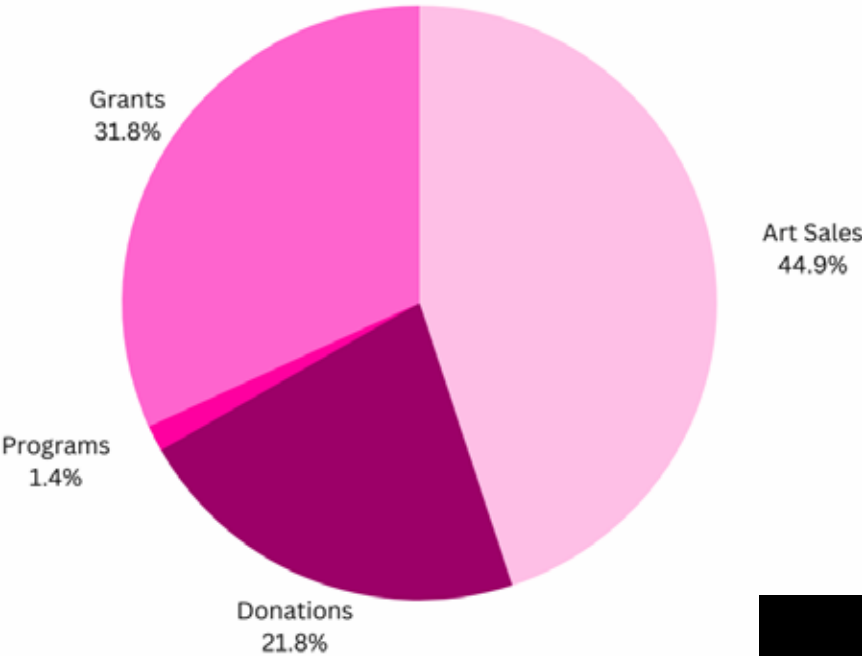
Government & Grant Support Increase

Government and Grant Support was \$30,345 representing an increase of 35% versus 2021. This makes Government and Grant Support in 2022-23 the highest within the past five years.

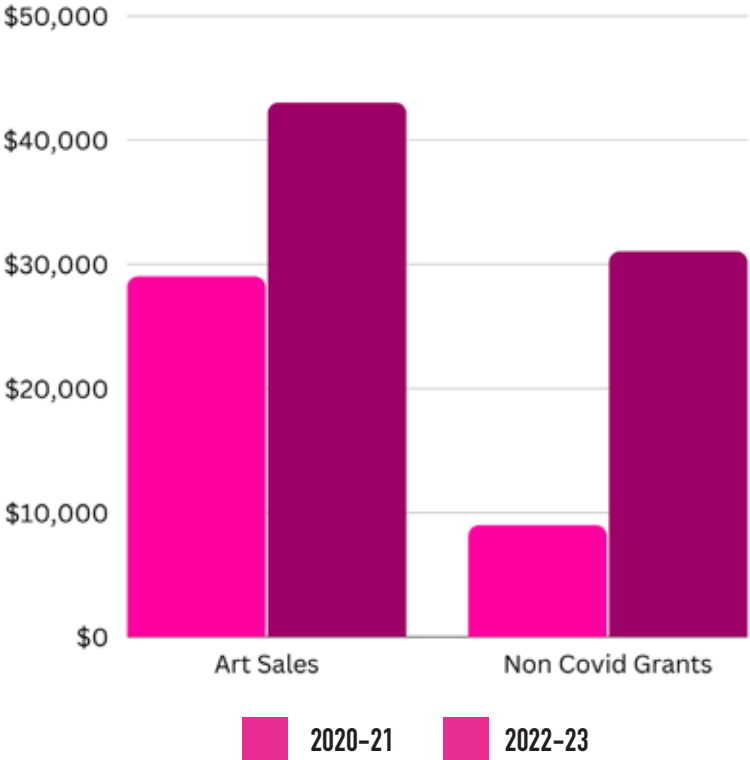
Sources of Support:

This year, Harrison County Arts secured grants from various sources, including the Samtec Cares Grant Committee, Harrison County Community Foundation, and the Indiana Arts Commission, furthering the organization's mission and vision. The stunning mural on Zimmerman's Art Glass was made possible by generous funding from the Indiana Destination Development Corporation (IDDC).

2022-2023 Income Sources



These financial highlights underscore Harrison County Arts' successful financial performance in the 2022-2023 fiscal year, characterized by increased sales, robust support from various sources, and prudent financial management through the implementation of Square. The organization's ability to secure grants and its commitment to artistic endeavors are notable achievements contributing to its overall financial success.





Our Mission:

Connecting creativity and community through the power of Art, Harrison County Arts believes that art can ignite change in both an individual and a community. These values are the foundation of all our programs, works, relationships and art experiences.



INDIANA™

THANK YOU TO OUR DONORS AND SUPPORTERS!

Your generosity means everything to us and to our community.



Harrison County Arts Artist Member, Wende Cudmore posing with her models before they walked the runway. Cudmore is known in the region for her participation in the KMAC Couture.

Looking Ahead

Making Strides

Harrison County Arts has accomplished significant milestones in 2022-23, fulfilling its objectives and enriching the community through diverse exhibitions, engaging events, valuable arts education, and meaningful collaborations. The organization's dedication to fostering creativity and inclusivity has established it as a vibrant and essential cultural hub in Harrison County and beyond. With the support of artists, volunteers, board members, local agencies, and strategic funding, HCA's impact continues to grow, connecting art with the community and enhancing the region's artistic vitality.

A Sneak Peek!

Harrison County Arts organized diverse events that brought the community closer to the arts, including open mic sessions, lectures, holiday celebration. Also, in May 2023, HCA employed a dedicated part-time gallery manager, Kacey Slone, who has played a pivotal role in enhancing services, expanding outreach, and assuming increasing responsibilities.

Looking ahead at our 2023-24 year, we have already hosted exciting new exhibitions and events at Harrison County Arts, including our first Fashion Show. At UpCycled: The Fashion Show, several of our community members strutted the runway in our artist members' fashions. Alongside events, we have expanded connections to exhibiting work as part of the Louisville Photo Biennial, and to re-creating piggy banks as a fundraising auction with Best Winery.



Above: Crafted piggy banks from HCA's collaboration with Best Vineyards Blues and Music Festival.

Left: Visitor viewing Artist Member Kevin Rose Schultz's Piece, *Viel of Light*.

