

#POWEROFTHEARTS



CREATIVE ACTS 2019 IMPACT REPORT

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ACTS

TOGETHER. TO. 2020.



A YEAR ONWARD.

We thought we'd do something a little different this year and walk our talk with an exercise called, 'Popcorn/Waterfall'. We brainstorm words and short phrases on a theme (this was 2019) and then choose 3-5 to include in a 2 minute timed poem. Then we share, knowing that it's not about a "good" poem, but more an expression we're willing to share. In that spirit...

POPCORN:

-  We started 2019
-  Embracing new blood
-  Revolution
-  Reaching in and out
-  With love all around

WATERFALL POEM:

We started 2019
 Embracing new blood
 centering our returned citizens
 And reaching in and out
 We leave 2019 with
 A creative revolution
 Where we do the work
 In partnership, with love
 all around

Thank you so much for all your support this year- it's been a long, tough, enlightening one and we're so looking forward to 2020 and being able to bring our brand new VR Reentry program to maximum yards for our returning former lifers and to resurrecting our hugely successful Art Attacks to engage our young folks who are incarcerated to vote. Nothing happens without your support, so thank you again, particularly to our funders and donors you see on this page.

**IN PARTNERSHIP.
 TOWARD JUSTICE!**
**SABRA, CHERYL, KIM &
 ANDREW**



PROGRAMS

We spent this year strategically incubating and building a community coalition that will roll-out our two Arts-In-Corrections programs in 2020: Juvie Civic Engagement 'Art Attacks' and Virtual Reality for Returning Individuals.

This development process culminated with a 2 day event in December where we convened a group of activists, artists, systems-impacted leaders and technological innovators for a Virtual Re-Entry Convening and Teaching Artist Winter Training.

CLICK ON THE RED-PLAY BUTTONS TO WATCH THE IMPACT VIDEOS FOR OUR PROGRAMS - A TRAILER OF WHAT WE'RE BUILDING AND WHAT'S TO COME!



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WORKSHOPS + TRAININGS



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28A REVOLVE IMPACT29
29A BLUE RIBBON 30
30 STREET SYMPHONY 31

ARTS-IN-CORRECTIONS TRAINING

We trained numerous organizations and artists who wanted to share their creative practice through Arts-In-Corrections programming. Watch out for these organizations who worked with us to develop customized curriculum + strategies to transform criminal justice and juvenile justice with the power of the Arts!

- + THE GROUND
- + STREET SYMPHONY
- + GIVE A BEAT
- + THE SAN DIEGO GLOBE

WORKSHOPS

We had the honor of facilitating interactive workshops utilizing creative and artistic tools to empower voices while building safe, healing environments to unpack pressing social justice challenges. Working alongside foundations and institutions, it was a year of coming together to unlock how the Arts can deepen collaborative efforts and solutions that support our systems-impacted communities.



@INDYSHAKES
STAGE-BUILDING
+ PRE/POST WORKSHOPS



@THE GROUND



2019 WORKSHOPS
+ MAYOR'S OFFICE BLUE RIBBON
COMMISSION

- + ANNIE E. CASEY FOUNDATION
- + REVOLVE IMPACT
- + INDYSHAKES
- + WERISE



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THOUGHT LEADERSHIP + EVENTS

OP-EDS + PODCASTS + SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

In our mission to build community and center the voices of marginalized people, Creative Acts pushed this year to change commonly held narratives around the issues of mass incarceration wherever we can through all mediums: print + audio + keynotes with grantmakers in Los Angeles and Orange County.

EVENTS + DIALOGUE

There is so much power when people are brought together. In that spirit, we co-produced 3 events with the Wing and community partners to create action driven dialogues around various issues - from mass incarceration to the invisibility of our indigenous communities and the #POWEROFHEARTS.



TX 5063 WOMEN IMPACTED BY THE SYSTEM @THE WING

VISIBILITY FOR INDIGENOUS WOMEN TX 5063

OP-ED | PRISONS & POLICING
David Koch's Dangerous, Right-Wing "Criminal Justice Reform" Lives On



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OP-ED | PRISONS & POLICING
UK Politicians Are Cynically Using London Bridge Attack to Drum Up Votes



WHAT'S AHEAD 2020

VIRTUAL REALITY PILOT FOR RETURNING INDIVIDUALS @KERN VALLEY

Our VR Reentry program, created with returned citizens, is slated to launch in 2020 and promises to change lives for those returning from long sentences, and for the families and communities they return to.

Your continued support and donations are crucial to the launch of this program which has been in development this year. #WATCHTHISSPACE!



VR FOR RETURNING
INDIVIDUALS + FAMILIES

JUVENILE YOUTH CIVIC ENGAGEMENT ART ATTACKS 2020

Having trained a new wave of teaching artists in 2019, we count down towards November of 2020 with our continued programming for hundreds of young people across L.A.'s Juvenile Halls and Camps, helping them discover the value of their voice and the importance of voting as a tool for change.



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2020

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