

# Grand Marais Art Colony 2022 Annual Report

Honoring Legacies, Inspiring Futures

## A NOTE FROM THE ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

2022 was a memorable year as we celebrated our 75th anniversary and the long legacy of the arts on the North Shore. We celebrated in several ways, including hosting our 7 - 5 exhibition from May - September, showcasing work from seven artists in the Great Lakes region, each of whom exhibited five pieces. Alongside the 7 - 5 exhibition, we also hosted a historic exhibit with work on loan from our co-founders' families, the Byrons and Quicks.

In July we hosted an anniversary reception along with an epic Arts Festival with 85 juried artists. Throughout the summer we hosted a silent auction with paintings donated by Hazel Belvo. Sales from these pieces helped us to launch our new Belvo/Jorgenson Scholarship for artists-in-residence.

We wrapped up the year with Muse, a group exhibition showcasing the work of longstanding students in our mentoring program, along with a holiday open house in our newly finished Studio 17 building. We also paid tribute to long-time youth instructor, David Hahn, who passed this year. David's family gave memorial gifts to the Art Colony that will continue to support youth art education into the future.

With the completion of our capital projects at Studios 21 and 17, the Art Colony now has designated exhibition space, an expanded print studio, and additional classroom and residency spaces. We are deeply indebted to outgoing ED, Lyla Brown, for her leadership and oversight of these capital projects.

Through 2022 we continued to curate space in and opportunities through which artists and arts learners could work and learn, growing our student numbers during late-COVID and increasing studio access opportunities for residents.



Life on the North Shore is one of expansion and contraction. As a small, rural community, we value the exchange that occurs in seasonal waves with visitors and locals alike. We are pleased to continue the legacy of providing artists with resources, including teachers, fellow learners, professional equipment, and access to the shore, the trails, the lake, the forest.

Ruth Pszwaro  
Artistic Director





**The Grand Marais Art Colony provides services to artists, promotes art education and nurtures art in our community through an environment of creative excellence.**

Participants of the *Develop Your Artistic Potential* Studio Session with David Feinberg, June 2022



# 2022 Highlights | Classes

294

Adult students served

43

Virtual students

37

Instructing artists who taught

43

Youth camp participants

75

Attendees at the first annual  
David Hahn Memorial Art Days



Student Gayle Held participates in the *Tree Cookie Printmaking* mini-course with Michael Marks, August 2022



# 2022 Highlights | Residencies

40

Artists-in-residence served

206

Days of resident studio use

365

Days of studio use from  
Cook County studio  
access programs



Self-Guided Artist-in-Resident Lindsey Halleckson during her residency in Founders Hall, March 2022



# 2022 Highlights | Arts Festival

8,200

Festival attendees

85

Exhibiting artists served

\$357,000

Of art purchased at the festival



Festival attendees exploring artist booths at the 31st Annual Grand Marais Arts Festival



# 2022 Highlights | Facility Improvements

2022 brought the completion of Studios 21 and 17 (purchased in June of 2019), which increased our footprint by 60% and created additional, much-needed space for programming and community engagement.

# 1

New, dedicated exhibition space at Studio 21

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# 2

Exhibitions, including our 7-5 Exhibition in the summer and Muse: Alumni Exhibition in the fall

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# 21

Artists who exhibited work

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Local mascot Murray the Moose explores the Art Colony's 7-5 Exhibition, celebrating our 75th anniversary.



# 2022 Highlights | Facility Improvements

1

Expanded, purpose-built professional printmaking studio in Studio 17

2x

The size of our former printmaking studio

196

Square feet of homasote for posting and sharing work



A panoramic view of our new printmaking studio shortly after construction.



Our Takach etching press being moved to the new printmaking studio on Highway 61 with the help of a crane.



# 2022 Highlights | Facility Improvements

1

New guest suite for instructors and artists-in-residence

3

Private guest rooms

1

Common area with a kitchen, lounge, and bathroom

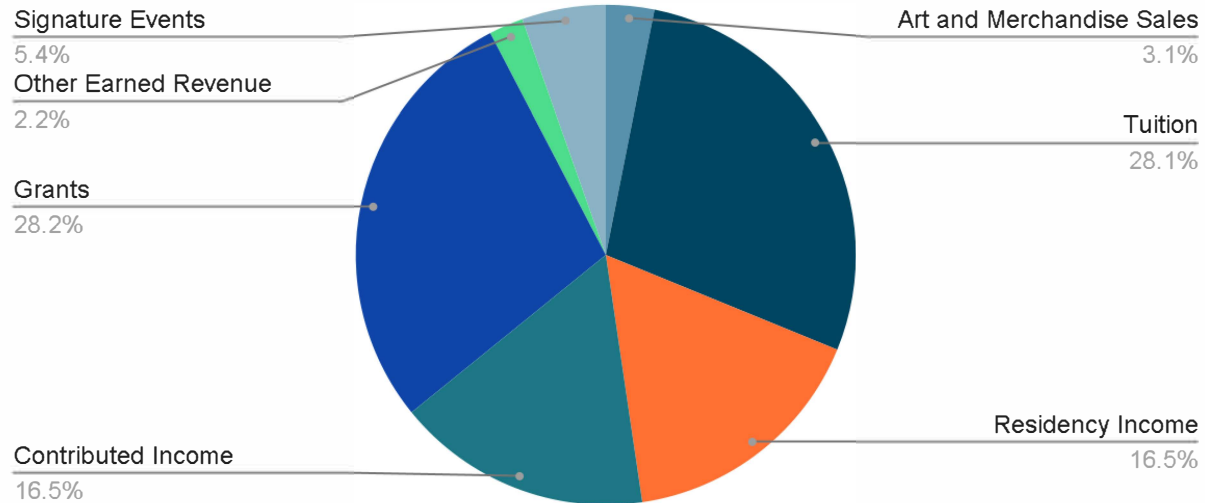


One of the new guest rooms in the Art Colony's guest suite

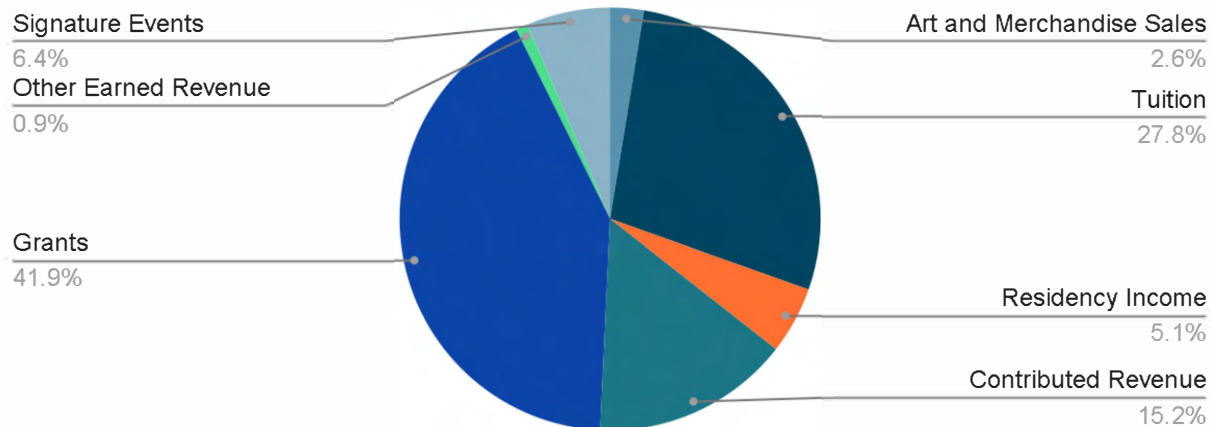


# Financials | Income

## Budget Income (Total \$422,565)



## Actual Income (Total \$396,328)

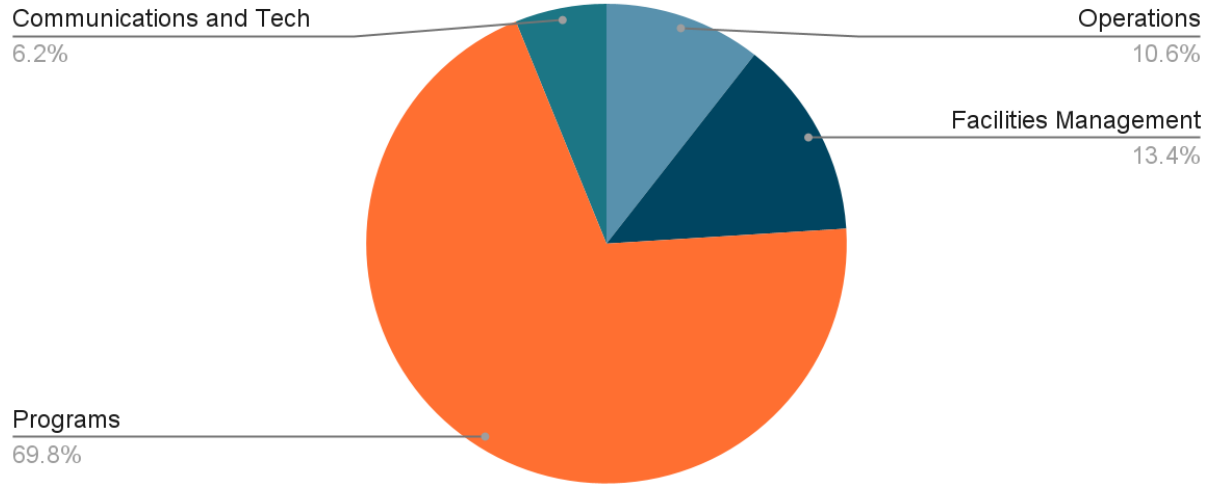


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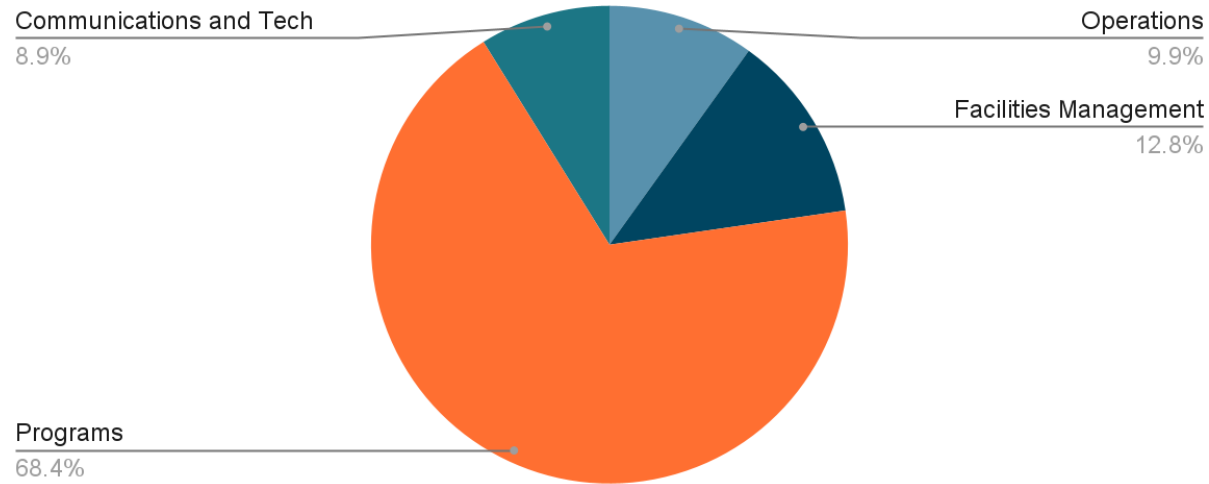


# Financials | Expenses

Budget Expense (Total \$468,332)



Actual Expense (Total \$406,669)



Cost of Goods Sold = \$4,112

Capital Improvements Fixtures = \$32,823

Capital Improvements Buildings = \$232,272



# 2022 Support

Thank you to our vast community of supporters who ensure the success of the Grand Marais Art Colony

We are deeply grateful for the hundreds of donors, volunteers, community and program partners who believe in the intrinsic value of the arts in illuminating our inner lives and enriching our emotional connections both to each other and to the natural world.

## \$40,000+

Minnesota State Arts Board  
McKnight Foundation

## \$30,000+

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## \$10,000+

Visit Cook County Arts Festival Grant  
Cook County Budget Request  
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Mangy Moose Motel  
Social Print Studio

## \$250 - \$499

Angry Trout Cafe  
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Josie Winship

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**Thank you all for making 2022 another  
banner year for the Art Colony!**