

REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY  
2016



## A MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Let me begin by saying thank you.

I thank all of you who have donated your time and talents to the work and mission of the Community Arts Partnership. You have provided thoughtful insight and guidance by serving on the Community Arts Partnership's Board of Directors, various committees, and many, many grant review panels. You are the best.

Thank you to the sponsors who stepped up in support of CAP's annual programming. Your generous contributions allowed local residents and visitors of all ages to be able to enjoy a rich mixture of art throughout the year, free of charge. The Tompkins Trust Company deserves special thanks.

Thank you to all of our Friends who made financial contributions to CAP in 2016. We truly could not do our work without your financial support. Your donations, large and small, help cover the day-to-day administrative costs, the collaborative outreach, and the arts advocacy that is the foundation of CAP's mission. Cornell University, Ithaca College, and BorgWarner all have long histories of providing meaningful support.

I offer my sincere appreciation to all those who support the Community Arts Partnership's mission of bringing artists and audiences together. Please know that there is more to be done, but your involvement with the Community Arts Partnership has already created more opportunities for the arts throughout Tompkins County and for this, I thank you.

**JOHN SPENCE**  
*Executive Director*

“ Because of CAP’s support, we have been able to enrich the Tompkins County community with dispatches from Burma, Swaziland, China, Venezuela, Iran, Sri Lanka, the Republic of Georgia, and El Salvador— all while affirming our community’s commitment to the human right of free expression. We are very grateful for the loyal support of CAP! ”

### **ITHACA CITY OF ASYLUM**

*GAP Grant Recipient: Annual “Voices of Freedom” readings*

### ***Clockwise from top left:***

*Ithaca Ballet Performance of “The Nutcracker”*

*Visual Artist Carol Spence exhibiting at Ithaca Artist Market*

*Public Art Grant mural of Ezra Cornell on Library*

*Ithaca Community Orchestra*

*Momoko Keane (middle) speaking with visitors on the Greater Ithaca Art Trail*

*Performers at the Dryden Summer Concert Series*



## 2016 IN REVIEW

2016 was an exciting and productive year at the Community Arts Partnership. Thanks to contributions made by the Tompkins County Tourism Program, a friendly Foundation, and the New York State Council on the Arts we had an increase of funding that we were able to distribute to arts organizations and to individual artists this year. Funding from the New York State Council on the Arts and the Regional Economic Development Council enabled CAP to bring on additional part-time staff in 2016 for the first time in this organization's history.

The Greater Ithaca Trail continues to attract regional visitors, the Spring Writes Festival had more programming and participating artists than any other previous year, and the Ithaca Artist Market was (as usual) a smash hit. Our 2017 Poet Laureate, Zee Zahava, has hit the ground running and has been organizing multiple readings and workshops.

CAP expanded its outreach in 2016 to include emerging and established arts organizations so we may better understand the current state of local art and culture. We want to know the people and organizations that make up our creative economy, what challenges and opportunities they face, and what additional roles CAP can play in strengthening our regional arts culture.

Looking forward to 2017! ... Advocating for the arts, always a part of CAP's mission, has taken on a new urgency in the wake of reports of funding cuts for the arts. Knowing the critical issues, the relevant legislation, and the politicians of influence, both in Albany and Washington, are a higher priority than we might have imagined a year ago.

“ Being a CAP funded artist in dance allows me to provide arts programming to our young people, and connect our teachers with artists. It is a privilege and an honor to be able to promote the reality that the arts are essential, that the arts serve as community nourishment, and have the potential for healing from the local ground up! ”

**LISA TSETSE**  
Teaching Artist  
(Arts Education Grant Recipient)

*From left to right, top to bottom:*

*John Lyon Paul, painter and sculptor in his Ellis Hollow barn studio on the Greater Ithaca Art Trail*

*Painter Ileen Kaplan exhibiting her work at the Ithaca Artist Market*

*Painter Allen C. Smith exhibiting at the Ithaca Artist Market*

*Photographer Dede Hatch exhibiting at the Ithaca Artist Market*

*Painter and Illustrator Christi Sobel exhibiting at the Ithaca Artist Market*

*Cellist Hank Roberts performing*

*Mary Beth Ihnken, painter and muralist, exhibiting at the Ithaca Artist Market*

*SOS grant recipient SingTrece*

*SOS grant recipient Elliott DeLine*

*Painter Carlton Manzano explaining his technique at the Ithaca Artist Market*

*Fiber artist Sarah Gotowka at the Ithaca Artist Market*

*Painter Lynne Taetzsch awaits visitors on the Greater Ithaca Art Trail*



## THE SERVICES WE PROVIDE

### Artist Career and Project Guidance

A core, on-going activity is the informational, practical and technical assistance we give to local artists on a daily basis.

### On-Line Resource Director

CAP's website, ArtsPartner.org, features a collection of links and guides, providing artists with starting points for further development of their craft and careers.

### Workshops

CAP provides year-round practical workshops for artists on subjects relevant to the business of making art.

### Artist Consulting Program

Consultants are chosen as a resource to artists who need advanced advice and guidance.

### Tompkins Poet Laureate

Beginning in 2008, CAP acquired New York State Council for the Arts funding to support the programs of our poet laureate and allow the artist to have multiple public readings and workshops.

The current poet laureate is Zee Zahara.

### On-Line Artist Registry

Artists of all disciplines are invited to be on our searchable database at ArtsPartner.org.

“ Receiving CAP grants has made our Summer Reading Program a true “family affair.” We see young children, teens, and grandparents! There are few places in Groton where people can gather free of charge. The grants allow us to provide cultural programming that is of tremendous value to our community! ”

**SARA KNOBEL**

Director,  
Groton Public Library  
Summer Theatre, Music and  
Storytelling Series

**Clockwise from top left:**

Visitors to the Ithaca Artist Market enjoyed painting activities

Johnny Russo, London McDaniel & Doug Robinson play jazz at the annual Ithaca Artist Market

Godfrey and Sarah Simmons read new work at the Spring Writes Lit Festival

Ithaca Ballet Performance

Photographer Susan Verberg at her Ithaca Artist Market booth

Visitors to the CAP ArtSpace admire Linna Dolph's leaded-glass city



# CAP'S PUBLIC PROGRAMS

We Connect Artists with Audiences

Since 1999, 27,000 visitors have enjoyed the trail. 500 artists have earned \$850,000.

Since 1996, 570 artists have hung work in CAP's Gallery. Gallery Night receptions have brought in 48,000 visitors to our gallery.

Since 1994, 42,000 visitors have attended the markets. 1,700 artists have earned over \$1,000,000.

Since 2010, 500 authors and playwrights have presented their work to 7,000 regional visitors.

## GREATER ITHACA ART TRAIL

The Art trail is a self guided tour of 40 local working artists' studios spread throughout Tompkins County. Studios are open year-round by appointment, on two consecutive October weekends, and the First Saturday of each month. The ArtTrail.com site has artist profiles and downloadable maps.



## CAP ARTSPACE

CAP's "ArtSpace," located in Center Ithaca, showcases monthly exhibits and is used for workshops, Ithaca Downtown Alliance events, and shares space with the Downtown Visitors Center.



## ITHACA ARTIST MARKET

Each year, CAP organizes and facilitates a summer juried show and sale of work by local artists of all disciplines. The market, located at the Ithaca Farmers Market, is a banner event and a true showcase of local arts.



## SPRING WRITES LITERARY FESTIVAL

CAP's annual Spring Writes Literary Festival began in 2009 at the request of New York State Council on the Arts. NYSCA staff knew there was a wealth of literary talent in the area, but few opportunities for writers to connect with the book-loving public. The result was the Spring Writes Festival, which takes place over 4 days each May, and features over 30 literary themed events.



Since 1992, CAP has distributed over 4 million dollars to local artists, arts organizations and not-for-profits for local arts programming.

# THE GRANTS WE ADMINISTER

Funding for Artists and Arts Organizations

## 2016 GRANTS FOR ARTS PROGRAMS (GAP) - \$46,450

Funded through NYSCA, GAP grants for not-for-profit organizations make funds available to libraries, arts organizations, towns, villages, community centers and the like for professional arts and cultural projects. Available in every county in NY State, CAP administers the GAP grant for Tompkins County.

## 2016 ARTIST IN COMMUNITY GRANT - \$5,000

Funded through NYSCA, Artist in Community Grants supports the creation of new work of artists whose interaction with communities is an integral part of their art-making. Available in many NY State counties, CAP secures and administers this funding for Tompkins County artists.

## 2016 ARTS EDUCATION GRANT - \$8,950

Funded through NYSCA, the Arts Education grants are designed to assist artists and schools in developing and implementing visual and performing arts residencies that are integrated into core curriculum.

## 2016 STRATEGIC OPPORTUNITY STIPEND TOMPKINS - \$24,000

The new Strategic Opportunity Stipend Tompkins (SOS Tompkins) launched in July of 2014. CAP's SOS program was inspired by a now defunct New York Foundation for the Arts Program that assisted artists who needed funds for specific and strategic career opportunities. Funded with foundation support, CAP is happy to provide this additional funding for area artists.

## 2016 PUBLIC ART GRANT

Funded through a private foundation and the Tompkins County Tourism Program, this grant provides funding for local public art.

## TOMPKINS TOURISM: ARTS & CULTURE ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

CAP administers this program with funds from the Tompkins County Tourism Program. The goal is to stabilize and develop the arts and cultural tourism assets of the County. Recipients have included the Cayuga Chamber Orchestra, Hangar Theatre, The History Center in Tompkins County, Kitchen Theatre Company, Museum of the Earth/Cayuga Nature Center, Sciencenter, State Theatre, Community School of Music and Arts, Cinemapolis, and Ithaca Shakespeare.

## 2016/2017 GRANT RECIPIENTS

### 2017 GRANTS FOR ARTS PROGRAMS (GAP): \$47,411

*for Tompkins County public events*

Ballet Guild  
Cayuga Vocal Ensemble  
Center for Transformative Action: Ithaca City of Asylum  
Cherry Arts  
Civic Ensemble  
Danby Community Council  
Dorothy Cotton Jubilee Singers  
Downtown Ithaca Alliance Gallery Night  
Dryden Intergenerational Chorus and Band  
Greater Ithaca Activities Center Seniors  
Groton Public Library  
Groton, Town Exhibit  
Groton Village Concerts  
Ink Shop Printmaking Center  
Ithaca Children's Garden  
Ithaca, City: Mosaic Project  
Ithaca Community Choruses  
Ithaca Community Chorus VOICES  
Ithaca Community Orchestra  
Ithaca Concert Band  
Ithaca Fantastic Film Festival  
Ithaca Gay Men's Choir  
Ithaca Generator  
Ithaca Underground  
Lansing Community Library  
Latino Civic Association  
Lifelong Senior Theatre Troupe  
Newfield Public Library  
Running To Places Theatre Company  
Southside Community Center  
Southworth Library  
State of the Art Gallery  
Tompkins County Public Library  
Triphammer Arts  
Trumansburg Conservatory of Fine Arts  
Ulysses Library  
Wharton Studio Museum

### 2017 ARTIST IN COMMUNITY GRANTS: \$5,000

*for artists to create new work with community involvement*

Sarah Hennies, musician  
Jessica Hankey, photographer

### 2017 ARTS EDUCATION GRANTS: \$8,469

*for sustained artist residencies in K-12 public schools*

Running to Places, BJM Elementary  
Ann Reichlin, Caroline Kindergarten  
Lisa Tsetse, BJM Kingergarten and pre-K  
Greater Ithaca Activities Center

### 2016 SOS GRANT RECIPIENTS

*for artists to complete projects and participate in career boosting opportunities*

Brian Arnold, photographer  
Nicole Carrier-Titti, illustrator  
Mee Ae Caughey, dancer and choreographer  
Billy Cote, musician  
Cathy Lee Crane, filmmaker  
Dacha Presents, theatre  
Elliott Deline, author  
Mary Gilliland, writer  
Sarah Gotowka, fiber artist  
Ross Haarstad, director/playwright  
Momoko Keane, ceramist  
Hobit Lafaye, photographer  
Mary Lorson, musician  
Leanora Erica Mims, fiber artist  
Lisa Narlock, wood artist  
David Neal, baritone  
Matt Ocone, musician  
Suzanne Onodera  
Sue Perlgut, filmmaker  
Robert Proehl, writer  
Jacqueline Richardson, visual artist  
Kurt Riley, musician  
Jennifer Savran Kelly, writer  
Jim Self, visual artist

Karlem Sivira, visual artist  
Elizabeth Shuhan, musician  
Sera Smolen, musician  
Savianna Stanesco, writer  
Melissa Zarem, visual artist  
Treacy Ziegler, visual artist

### 2016 PUBLIC ART GRANT: \$9,000

*with private and County Tourism funds, these grants are for Tompkins County murals.*

Nestor Madalenoitia, Poughkeepsie, NY: TCPL Ezra Cornell mural  
Danielle Hodgins, Liverpool, NY: Route 13 public works building mural  
Kathy Armstrong, Village of Trumansburg downtown mural

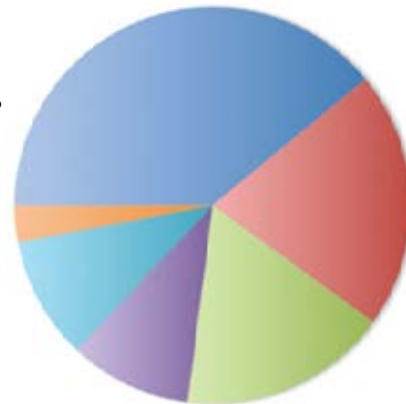
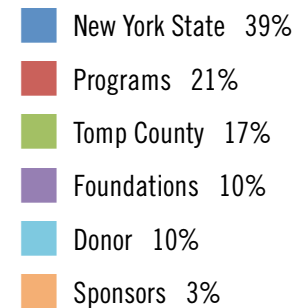
### 2016 ARTS AND CULTURE ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT: \$199,000

*with funds from Tompkins County Tourism Program*

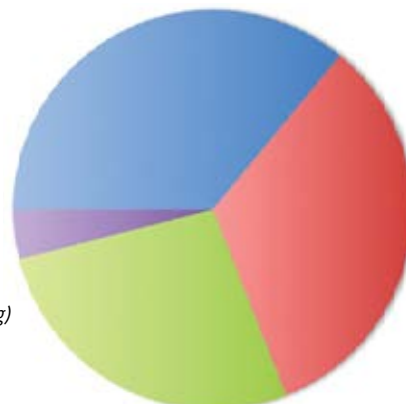
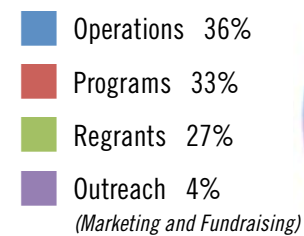
Cayuga Chamber Orchestra  
Cinemapolis  
Community School of Music & Arts  
Hangar Theatre  
Ithaca Shakespeare  
Kitchen Theatre  
History Center in Tompkins County  
Sciencenter  
State Theatre  
Museum of the Earth/Cayuga Nature Center

## 2016 CAP FINANCES

### INCOME



### EXPENSES



## OUR 2016 SUPPORTERS

### \$5000+

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Ithaca College  
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Tompkins Trust Company

### \$800 TO \$4,999

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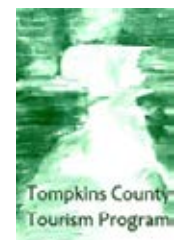
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