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A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

This is such a wonderful year, and it still has much to offer us. As you thumb through the pages of this ArtZine, it will open your heart, mind and eyes and show you the amazing art happenings in Greenville and Pitt County. ArtZine speaks for itself – and it speaks volumes.



Today, I would like to take this opportunity to share with you the importance of participating in the arts, be it attending events or performances or actually creating art in its many forms. Participating, as you know leads to familiarity, knowledge and understanding. The arts challenge us, they are thought provoking, and they are the media of change. Most of all they unify and enrich our lives. Community unity, harmony and tolerance are attributes that are surely worth striving for.

Enjoy your arts journey. If you have not had a chance to explore the Greenville arts scene, go on a Downtown Greenville First Friday ArtWalk. If you do not like to walk then jump on the Emerald Express Trolley and take a tour and view, taste and visit the latest/trending art, eating establishments and sites of music happenings. We have art in all its forms, visual, performing, literary and culinary.

Be inspired by the wonderful art exhibits at venues such as Emerge, the Ayden Historical and Arts Society, and the Greenville Museum of Art. Be regaled by the sounds of jazz, the dulcet tones of soul and the energy of pop and rock music. Whatever your tastes you will probably find it at one of the many establishments in Greenville, Farmville, Winterville, and Ayden and the wider Pitt County.

Looking ahead, we have a number of projects coming to fruition this year. The sculpture to honor our LGBTQ+ community will be installed at the site of the original Paddock Club on Dickinson Avenue in Greenville. And of course, be on the lookout for additional lighting along the Emerald Loop.

Thank you to all our supporters, partners, and friends. Your assistance and support contributes towards the economic and social impact of the arts in Pitt County. Take care and stay safe, happy, and healthy.

Yours sincerely,

Devinder Culver
Board of Directors President

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Arts Organizations and Artists in Pitt County are listed in the Art Venues and Artist Directory

https://www.pittcountyarts.org/community/arts-venues#/ https://www.pittcountyarts.org/artists/artist-directory

Katura Dance

Annual Report



The Organization

- 4 full time and 4 part time employees in staffing growth
- **45** Instructors hired for classes, camps, workshops as part of our artist opportunities
- **66** ECU interns and students gained practical education in the arts

Conducted a countywide strategic planning process

Projects and Grants

\$12,000 awarded to Pitt County Schools Arts Teachers

\$16,000 awarded in Artist Support Grants to ENC Artists

\$25,000+ spent on musical performances to expand our outreach in the community

\$30,000+ funded for Outreach Programs

\$50,000+ funded for Public Art Projects

\$188,525 awarded in Grants to Pitt County Arts Organizations

Profit and Loss

\$888,808 Income

\$856,745 Expenses

\$32,063 dedicated for public art in 2024

CREATIVITY & INNOVATION









Groundbreaking Study Reveals the Nonprofit Arts and Culture Sector Generated \$18M in 2022

The Pitt County Arts Council at Emerge, the Greenville-Pitt County Convention & Visitors Bureau, the Greenville Eastern North Carolina Alliance, and Pitt County Economic Development collectively announced that Pitt County's nonprofit arts and culture industry generated \$18,037,461 in economic activity in 2022, according to the newly released Arts & Economic Prosperity 6 (AEP6), an economic and social impact study conducted by Americans for the Arts.

Nationally, the AEP6 study reveals that America's nonprofit arts and culture sector is a \$151.7 billion industry—one that supports 2.6 million jobs and generates \$29.1 billion in government revenue. What continues to set AEP6 apart from other national studies is exactly why it is so useful. It is local. Pitt County has a custom economic analysis of its arts and culture sector — and the results are impressive!

Arts and culture build stronger communities. Every day, more than 100,000 nonprofit arts and culture organizations in the U.S. are making their communities better places to live and work by beautifying cities, fueling creativity, celebrating diversity, and bringing joy to residents. They also employ people locally, purchase goods and services from nearby businesses, and produce the authentic cultural experiences that are magnets for visitors, tourists, and new residents.

Data from Pitt County's AEP6 study

In 2022, our nonprofit arts and culture industry generated

\$18,037,461

in economic activity

\$1,786,863

for local and state government

\$5,217,704

in event related audiences

\$33.39

average amount audiences spent before and after an arts event





% of those surveyed said "I would feel a great sense of loss if this activity or venue were no longer available."

Looking Back....

Together, we have accomplished so much during the last year:

- a. 2023 Youth Arts Festival (5,000+ attendees and 700+ performers)
- b. Installation and maintenance of the Food from the HeART project
- c. Art is Good Medicine program expansion
- d. Emerald Express Trolley rides during the First Friday ArtWalks
- e. Public art projects completed by our Youth Public Arts students
- f. Launch of Keys for Kids by Ben Folds



Looking Forward....

What's next you ask? We are excited for these concepts to be completed:

- a. Wildwood Sculpture
- b. Emerald Loop Shelter
- c. Paddock Public Art
- d. Radio Tower Lighting

- e. County Courthouse Lighting
- f. City Hall Lighting
- g. Hilton Garden Hotel Lighting
- h. Mosaic Multicultural Arts Festival







Susan and Bill Redding moved to Greenville in 1979 when Bill took a job as a primary care Family Nurse Practioner (FNP) at the recently established Family Practice Center. Susan worked as a nurse in elder care and hospice, and later as a palliative care FNP to help develop the End of Life Care program at (then) Pitt County Memorial Hospital.

They were excited to move to a University town because of the potential increased exposure to the arts in all forms. They have enjoyed the multiple sites and platforms for the visual and performing arts and found these to be really enhanced with the opening of Emerge in 2000.

Bill and Susan shared, "Emerge does so much to provide opportunities to engage in as well enjoy artistic experiences. Art is everywhere helping all of us to expand our vision of this world and to potentially envision new worlds. It would be a dull, drab world without art. It reflects well on our community when places like Emerge are supported, utilized and enjoyed."

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