



**“ACG is not about merely filling exhibit space. It supports and welcomes a large, eclectic group of artists while dedicated to integrating art with audiences of all ages and backgrounds... beyond its physical walls.”**  
– Tina, local artist

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Dear Friend of ACG,

Tina is but one of the **350+ artists** positively impacted by Albany Center Gallery's programs and exhibitions, each year. While our community benefits from several incredible arts organizations, the region's artists still struggle to show their work and earn a living as creative professionals. In 2021, ACG paid **over \$47,000 in stipends** to nearly 60 artists, a small commission for their incredible talent, expertise, and time. Yet, **this is simply not enough to sustain the creatives who enrich our cultural identity, inspire our imagination, and energize our cities.**

## **Will you consider a gift to support our creative community?**

In 2021, ACG hosted more than **25 free art programs**, 5 of which were through partnerships with other community organizations. We served **over 60 local youth** through interactive free, art-making programs. The enclosed rack card will tell you more about our impact in 2021.

#### **What the numbers don't tell us**

While we continue to build partnerships and collaborate to increase art accessibility, artists and art remain at the center of what we do. It's up to us, as a community resource, to provide **access and equity to artists in historically underrepresented groups**, including those at the intersections of lower income/poverty, Black, Indigenous, persons of color, women or non-binary gender, LGBTQIA2+, and many others. While opportunities for visual artists aren't abundant, ACG is committed to increasing access and supporting the Region's diverse community to provide equitable experiences for all artists and art lovers!

#### **Your donation matched!**

Art uplifts and inspires. In fact, Jankow Companies and every member of ACG's Board of Directors have been inspired to match donations up to \$8,000 for this campaign. **When you give by January 17, your gift will have double the impact.** Our goal is to raise **\$20,000** to sustain and expand ACG's programming footprint, including more opportunities for youth and emerging artists.

Every year, we continue to grow thanks to the community's support and trust. Next year we plan to do even *more* at the high-quality standard for which ACG is known. We will host more pop-up exhibits, continue to expand into nearby cities to increase art accessibility, build our organization's capacity to sustain ACG's beloved youth art programming and #CapitalWalls mural project.

Matching Gift Opportunity!  
Double the Impact of your gift!

As you consider your gift, please look at some of the ways we will recognize your generosity (below). We are only able to continue the art and accessibility we do with the creative community by working together... **with you.**

- \$25+** Listed on the ACG website & receive a handwritten “thank you” card
- \$50+** ...the benefits above, plus a “More Art Everywhere” magnet designed by local artist Chloe Harrison!
- \$100+** ...the benefits above, plus an annual Artist Friend ACG membership.
- \$250+** ...the benefits above, plus a “More Art Everywhere” matching pin & name recognition on the donor wall at ACG for one year.

Albany Center Gallery is not a commercial gallery. In addition to 7 in-gallery exhibits each year, we:

- go beyond gallery walls to curate relevant projects aligned with our community’s needs
- create and provide opportunities for regional visual artists to show and sell their work
- offer impactful programming, often intersecting with other art forms
- collaborates with local businesses to advance the creative economy
- foster an inclusive, welcoming art space for individuals from any background
- inspire young creatives with hands-on arts education presented by local artist mentors
- introduce community members to visual art about which they may not otherwise know



Scan this QR code with your phone camera to donate online!

We’re endlessly grateful to you and the community for supporting ACG and the creative economy, while uplifting local and regional artists. Thank you in advance for your support and for joining us with bringing **MORE ART EVERYWHERE, TOGETHER!**

Sincerely,

Tony Iadicicco  
Executive Director

David Phaff  
ACG Board of Directors President

Here’s how you can contribute today:

- Mail a method of payment with enclosed envelope & response form
- Submit a donation online at [albanycentergallery.square.site](http://albanycentergallery.square.site)

Email Karina at [kwojnar@albanycentergallery.org](mailto:kwojnar@albanycentergallery.org) if you have any questions about other methods of donating or need assistance to contribute!