## **Pump House Center for the Arts**

#### **Mission Statement**

The Mission of the Pump House Center for the Arts is to preserve and maintain our "Jewel", the Historic Pump House for our community's artistic and cultural growth.

### **Purpose**

The purpose of this corporation is the preservation of the Pump House by promoting the community's artistic appreciation, expression, and education.

## **2021 Annual Report**

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, thank you to all our members, volunteers, artists, and friends of the Pump House. It is because of your support that we continue to provide an environment that enhances our community's art appreciation, education, and creative possibilities.

#### 2022 Exhibitions

January Closed

February The Best of Ross County

March Pioneer Center Art Showcase

April Chillicothe Art League

6<sup>th</sup> Robert Kroeger: Book Signing, Painting Auction 10:00 AM-1:00 PM

May Captured! (Judged, photographers within 75 mile radius with prizes)

June Celebrating Artists of Color/Bazaar/Juneteenth

July The Art of Gerry Enrico
August John Bucy: Lego Art!

September The Hills
October Art in Fabric

November Paper Mache Dragons by Gary Hutchinson and "Reimagine" Fund Raiser Carver Community Center

December Holiday Show

#### 2021 Finances

INCOME		EXPENSES			
Artist Consignments PH	\$ 7,981.71	Building Maint.	\$ 9,874.32	Office Ads, Marketing	\$ 608.97
Artist Exposition Sales	\$27,606.23	Artist Consignments PH	\$ 8,502.86	Internet (Horizon)	\$ 1,042.65
Gift Sales Pump House	\$ 7,235.62	Artist Exposition Sales	\$18,023.14	Gas	\$ 1,706.08
Exhibits: Fees	\$ 720.00	Gift Sales Purchases	\$ 3,445.11	Electric	\$ 3,759.74
Donations	\$ 7,368.00	<b>Exposition Expenses</b>	\$ 2,137.29	Web Maint.	\$ 2,000.00
Fund Raisers	\$ 484.00	Printing Costs	\$ 1,158.97	Security	\$ 377.00
Memberships	\$ 8,910.00	Postage	\$ 1,222.10	FNBO Visa	\$ 1,080.20
Ohio Sales Tax	\$ 3,134.14	Clover	\$ 1,922.73	TOTAL	\$61,812.93
Partnerships/Grants	\$ 4,000.00	Insurance	\$ 3,770.80	Net Profit/(Loss)	\$11,046.77
Rentals	\$ 5,420.00	Office Expense	\$ 878.72		
TOTAL	\$72,859.70	Ohio Sales Tax	\$ 302.25		

## Grants: \$5,000 Awarded.

Chillicothe Rotary Foundation – Noon Herrnstein Family Trust

# **Renovations Completed**

Gutters Repaired
Bathroom Floors Replaced
Bathrooms and Front Entrance Painted

# **By the Numbers:**

Visitors 1,883

Volunteer Hours 2,631

Rentals 21

Exhibitions 11

#### **Board of Trustees**

President Mike Throne **Members Alice Reynolds** 1st Vice President Mark Trainer 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Angela young Vicki Pritchard Treasurer **Dave Rieder Lisa Humphrey** Secretary **Jade Berry Stephen Steele Stephen Robinson Cheri Noel John Payne** Director

#### **Director's Report**

The Pump House Center for the Arts is anticipating a strong 2022! As Ross County and Southern Ohio's premier art center, we are continually searching out ways to bring art to our constituency. The Pump House is celebrating thirty years of service to our community. Started in 1991 by local artist Ted Fickisen and local attorney Jim Barrington, the Pump House, built in 1883, was renovated through community donations and continues to this day.

It is hard not to say the Pump House was not affected by the pandemic. In 2020, we had to close for 3 months in the summer as the pandemic raged. But we persevered. We applied for local grants and was able to cover our operating budget. We held some limited shows such as the "Best of Ross County" and our "Pioneer Center Show", along with "The Hills" in September and our "Holiday Show". We even had a "Veteran's Show" in November.

We have been successful due to our dedicated staff of volunteers. Starting in October of 2020, I was tasked by the board as the Pump House Director. Working closely with the board, we successfully put together a comprehensive list of shows to cover each month in 2021. We continue with our staples, the Best of Ross County", the "Pioneer Show", and The Ross County Art League was again able to mount a show in April. Earth Day was a huge success, with over 300 people attending festivities.

In May, we had a photography Show, and June we had a highly successful "Celebrating Artists of Color". Robert Kroeger had the month of August with his oil paintings of Ohio Barns and had a book signing for us! We finished the year strong with a show by local artist, now Columbus resident, Michael McGinn. We would have to go back over 10 years to find a more successful year than we just had.

We look forward to 2022 and the promise it holds. We will again feature our talented high school students in February for "The Best of Ross County" followed by our "Pioneer School Show" in March. Along with the Ross County Art League's show in April, we will also have our show "The Hills" in September to showcase area artists who reside within our service area as well as our Holiday Show in December. Another Board member, Jade Berry, brought a Street Fair to our city for all to enjoy! Just another way to think outside the box and develop appreciation for art and artists.

June of 2022 is shaping up to be a premier event. Board member Angela Young is the Chairperson of events that are being coordinated for each weekend in June. Last year's "Celebrating Artists of Color was so successful that it is being expanded. Included last year and being enhanced will be our Juneteenth celebration, which is now a national holiday. Angela is also working on an Art in Fabric show for October to move us more toward 3D Art featuring artisans who create with fabric.

Another Special show will be in August of 2022. Artist John Bucy specializes in Lego Art and will bring his creations to The Pump House. Having featured some of his artwork in 2021's show, "The Hills", he has agreed to stage a show that young and old will appreciate, utilizing thousands of Lego pieces which are first created digitally on his computer and then transformed into art. He will have wall hangings as well as a table top model of the Ross County Court House. He is going to try to include a model of The Pump House as well!

The Pump House has always worked to showcase local artists as well as to promote art in general to our local patrons. We hope you take the time and visit us soon. We closed on Monday, but open every other day of the week. Check us out on Facebook or our web page. We are easy to find. Please consider being a member. We have many levels of membership and this is one way we are able to fund the center and never charge admission. We hope to see you soon!

John Payne, Director