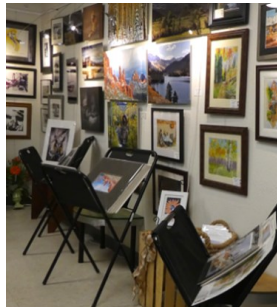




*Building a Creative Arts Destination
Integrating the Artist Within*



NORTHERN COLORADO ARTIST COMMUNITY (NOCOAC)

501c3 nonprofit

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PURPOSE of the Northern Colorado Artist Community (NOCOAC) is to enrich lives in the Northern Colorado community through all forms of art.

MISSION is to enhance lives through all forms and dissemination of art; encouraging and supporting individual expression, providing public presentations, involving and expanding community programs at all levels and promoting art appreciation.

Our community investment and involvement:

- Broaden the concept of art.
- Discover and support the “artist” within.
- Provide diversified arts instruction to our members and the community, in-house and at public locations.
- In partnership with schools and outreach programs, provide a variety of art instruction.
- Encourage the exchange of art with other communities for the advancement of expression, aesthetics, social awareness and integration.
- Promote and provide public art and artists’ exhibits in various locals.
- Provide space for the community and artists to share works and ideas.
- Collaborate with other art-centric organizations.
- Provide studio work spaces.

NOTE from EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

Northern Colorado Artist Community is building a creative arts destination and expanding the definition of art by acknowledging the artist within. We know, each of us has an inner artist and that creative kernel is there to be nourished at any age. It doesn't have to be with a paint brush or pencil. It can be with a whisk or garden hoe or even a horse bridle. Our diverse programming encourages this concept and we are devoted to offering several community free programs every month.

This is our second year as a nonprofit. We have our foundation and structure in place which affords us the ability to increase our reach within the community. We are working to secure a viable volunteer base as well as foster an internship program. These areas will help strengthen our outreach abilities.

We have partnered with a couple of local organizations to provide art education classes for pre-K through high school children at their facilities. Our plan is to provide these opportunities in rural areas of Northern Colorado.

As a newly formed nonprofit seed money to propel our vision forward is of utmost importance. The development of a steady income stream is our main objective. Getting the word out that our space is available for various personal and organizational functions is our top priority.

NOCOAC 2023 FINACIAL OVERVIEW— figures are rounded up

INCOME \$7,852
EXPENSE \$3,583

NET INCOME \$4,269

INCOME RECAP: INCOME = \$7,852

Major Categories

- Grants \$1,000
- Membership Fees \$3,330
- Donations \$3,522
 - Special Programs = \$130
 - Online donations = \$261
 - Miscellaneous collection = \$3,131

EXPENSE RECAP: EXPENSE \$3,583

Major categories

- Advertising = \$1,234
 - Includes advertising for Programs/Events
- Unit A Build-Out = \$621
 - All materials costs, no labor charges
- Program Cost = \$493
 - (Presenters & Facilitators Fees; Entertainment/Food
- Unit A Office Equipment = \$624
 - Printer/Paper/Ink
- Miscellaneous = \$611
 - Maintenance, cleaning supplies = \$136
 - Other office supplies = \$263
 - License and fees = \$37
 - Art sales = \$175 (reimbursed to artists)

The majority of our Income is generated by Membership Fees

- a monetary donation of \$1000 and \$1000 Grant awarded in December of 2023
- Net Income carried over from 2023 will be used to fund 2024 Programs and Advertising

In Kind Donations/Resources received predominantly from NOCOAC members. Most items have been Art supplies with a few donations being furnishings for NOCOAC Headquarters.

Volunteers in 2023: 27 Volunteers provided various services throughout the year.

- Average volunteer time was 4 hours/month
 - Gallery support
 - Construction projects
 - Program facilitation and assistance
- In addition, our directors are volunteer positions, at this time, have donated an estimated 240 hours/month between four positions.

COMMUNITY IMPACT OVERVIEW: we serve Larimer, Weld Counties and Boulder Counties—Northern Colorado

- **Community Partnerships:** list of community organizations on our website to provide our audience with easy access to the area's offerings for children and adults. We are continually seeking more partnerships
 - 3 Square Art Gallery
 - Arula
 - Blue Moose Art Gallery
 - Lincoln Gallery
 - Living her Legacy
 - Magpies
 - Makers Mercantile & Studio
 - My Sister Knits
 - Off the Hook
- **Active Community Partnerships**
 - Jacob Center (nonprofit): seeking to empower youth and build upon a strong sense of self, regulation skills and connectedness.
 - We provide 3 art classes to 3 different groups per month
 - Academy of Arts and Knowledge: Charter School pre-K-5th grade
 - We provide family engagement and student activities
 - Blast and Scrap (nonprofit): supports young and emerging musicians and artists by providing performance and workshop space that advances social inclusion and environmental sustainability in the arts.
 - We provide Bi-monthly performance space
 - Dance Express (nonprofit): celebrates diverse dance experiences by and for persons with or without disabilities.
 - Working together on fundraising project
 - Petrichor Collective: cultivating our different skill sets and fostering creativity, we support our community through Art!
 - We work together with marketing First Friday Art Walks
- **Community Festivals:** participate and donate art for their fundraisers
 - Rist Canyon
 - Stove Prairie
 - LaPorte
 - Art in the Park, Loveland
 - American Legion
 - Red Feathers
- **Monthly Artist Group Meeting:** support, mentorship and exchange of information for building their art businesses and helping in the development of NOCOAC.
- **2024 membership thus far is 95 total, up 50% from 2023**
 - 92 members, 2 business, 1 family

COMMUNITY IMPACT OVERVIEW:

- **Networking Presentations:** we speak at various networking groups to promote NOCOAC and the artist within.
- **Loveland Chamber of Commerce:** we provide yearly art installation for their training room
 - 6-12 artists provide art for display
- **Loveland Public Library:** we provide various art classes for Pre-K and elementary children

NOCOAC CORE PROGRAMS

Tuesday Talks: is a free monthly community program about sparking wonder and connecting people to the world beyond themselves through the art of story telling.

First Friday Art Walk: is a free monthly community program providing varied artistic activities (like music, art, literature, dance) and displays to increase the community's awareness of local aptitude and talents.

Story Time: is a free monthly community program for pre-Kindergarten children. Read aloud stories help children develop pre reading skills such as: story elements, book language, print directionality and comprehension. A craft related to the story follows to support reading comprehension and gross and fine motor skills. Recent research suggests that use of technology has affected hand strength in children and that many are coming to school unprepared to grip a pencil or use scissors.

Educational Art classes for pre-K through high school on and off site: are to stimulate imaginations, foster problem solving and observational skills, nurture and engage the senses and build gross and fine motor skills. This contributes to the child's self-esteem and socialization.

Hats for Those in Need: free community all day fall program to knit or crochet a hat for the unhoused in the Fort Collins area. A two hour crochet class is offered for beginners to encourage new crafters in the needle arts.

Kids Camp (12-14years) : week long summer program

- 2024 program: *Ink on the Wild Side* has been made possible by a Rotary Club Grant (STEM Grant)
 - Make ink out of burnt wood from local burn scared areas
 - Explore chemistry behind creating ink from charcoal and the ecology of wildfire
 - Create art with their ink

Artist Group: monthly meetings to build an artist collective to share knowledge, provide support and mentorship.

Annual Art Shows: month long show displaying 2D and 3D art. Community Reception opens each show. The art is for sale without commission.

- Student Show
- Membership Show
- Volunteer Show

Community Art Installation: providing art to local organizations.

- Offers artists an opportunity to show their works in different locals.
- Offers organizations an opportunity to enhance their image and stimulate the work environment. Art in the work place is a social connector and fosters a sense of pride through supporting local artists.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

NORTHERN COLORADO ARTIST COMMUNITY (NOCOAC)

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

Governing Board of Directors / Head of Operations

Founder / Director: Nancy Sander

Chairperson: Candace Hutchison

Secretary: Karen John

Treasure: Linda Fitzgerald

Assistance to Secretary and Treasure:

Debbie Wojcik

Michele Ward

Operations / Executive Committee

Executive Director:

Candace Hutchison

Director of Finance:

Linda Fitzgerald

Director of Programs:

Karen John

Chairperson

- ◆ Membership / Events
- ◆ Volunteer/ Events
- ◆ Marketing

Chairperson

- ◆ Fundraising
- ◆ Entertainment

Chairperson

- ◆ Community Outreach
- ◆ Grant Coordinator
- ◆ Education

Being a newly formed nonprofit, our board is a working board and has recently elected two new board members, Debbie Wojcik and Michele Ward to assist the treasure and secretary.

As a working board we meet at least 2 times per month, but usually weekly. We work as a unit to expand and facilitate our programming. Consequently, many of the projects overlap and are interconnected.

Board Terms:

A Director on the board may serve a term limited to 3 years and may be reelected by the Board of Directors for a second term of 3 years.

Officers on the Board of Directors may serve a term of 2 years and may be reelected by the Board of Directors for a second term of 2 years.

NOCOAC SUPPORTERS

We are a 501c3 charity nonprofit

- NOCOAC received a STEM grant from a Fort Collins Rotary Club for \$1000. The money was awarded to support a summer camp called *INK ON THE WILD SIDE*.
- Memberships dues provided 60% of 2023 income
 - Basic Artist Membership
 - Basic Community Membership
 - Student Membership
 - Family Membership
 - Business Membership
- In kind monetary support by Founder, Nancy Sander
- Donations
 - Donor Box platform is on our website