



Dear Friend of the Arts,

Thank you for your support of the arts in Yamhill County. Your membership in the Arts Alliance touches the lives of thousands of people every year, nourishing and renewing the creative spirit in the women, men and children who participate in our sponsored programs and events.

The Art Harvest Studio Tour celebrated 26 years of opening the doors of Yamhill County artists' homes and studios in 2018, giving the public an intimate glimpse into the lives and works of our creative neighbors.

Paper Gardens will present the best of Yamhill County's writers for the 26th time next year, as the annual gathering recognizes the literary talents of adults and children. Our partnership with local schools and teachers generated more than 400 submissions from the next generation of writers in our community in 2019. New in the coming year is Fire Writers, which will be an all day workshop for High School students through the County held at the Chehalem Cultural Center in January.

The Terroir Creative Writing Festival, celebrating its 10th year in 2019, is one of the most important gatherings of literary enthusiasts in the region. Participants from Portland to Corvallis come together with Yamhill County writers each spring to hone their skills and share their creative work in a day of workshops, lectures and readings.

The Arts Alliance continues to support and nurture the creative spirit in our community through two \$1,000 college scholarships given to graduating seniors who will pursue further study in the arts, and with our Education Grants program that assists local arts educators with the funding they need to pass on their creative knowledge. Recently, the Arts Alliance funded a children's pottery class at the McMinnville Library, the design and construction of a totem pole by Newberg elementary school students, and a third grade tie-dying project in Willamina.

The Arts Alliance is committed to funding arts education in our county. Starting in 2019, we will be expanding the scope and size of these grants to better serve our community. As a valued member of our arts family, your generous support makes it all possible.

This year, in addition to your annual membership dues, we are asking you to consider a contribution earmarked for arts education in Yamhill County. Together, we can help bring the arts into the lives of hundreds of children and young adults, and make a contribution to the quality of life in our communities. Your membership dues and contribution to the Arts Alliance are tax deductible.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Kristen A. Horn'.

Kristen A. Horn, President