



Arts Corps' Free *Festa 2020: The Stream* Live Performance This Friday

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SEATTLE, WA — March 16, 2020 — Last week, Arts Corps, a nationally recognized youth arts education organization that works to address the race and income-based opportunity gap in access to arts education, announced that they would reimagine their annual fundraising event in accordance with statewide public health guidelines and would no longer gather in-person.

On March 20, 2020 at 7:00 PM, the organization will host a free and streaming live performance by members of the Arts Corps community: a house band, teaching artists, staff, and youth alumni. A streaming link will drop on Wednesday, March 18th.

“Education doesn’t stop when we leave the classroom and neither will our educators. To help our Arts Corps family keep the lights on, we are requesting your generosity, energy, and good hopes,” wrote Will Giles, Arts Corps’ Teen Programs Manager.

Arts Corps must raise \$250,000 by the end of March to ensure all youth can participate in programming at no cost and so that teaching artists are compensated during this time. The organization will continue the work with online education for its Learning Immersive Technology (LIT) and Youth Speaks Seattle programming, and by providing take-home art kits for youth.



“Though we will miss seeing your bright smiles and gala finery in person, we are emboldened by our ability to light a candle in the dark and **Make Art Anyway.**”

Arts Corps is a nationally recognized youth arts education organization that works to address the race and income-based opportunity gap in access to arts education. Through participation in our arts integration, out-of-school arts, and teen leadership programs, youth experience the transformative power of creativity and gain a deepened belief in their own capacity to learn, take risks, persist, and achieve.