THANK YOU, LEADERSHIP!

With sincere appreciation, we thank The Umbrella’s volunteer leadership, many of whom have guided and supported our arts center for a long time. We are grateful for your gifts, time, talent, and all that you do to champion The Umbrella’s mission.

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THE UMBRELLA TEAM

The Umbrella staff are leaders and professionals in the fields of visual and performing art forms, educational programming, the environment, and community outreach. The team shares a commitment to enriching lives and building a vibrant community through the arts.

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THE UMBRELLA 2019 ANNUAL REPORT

Dear Umbrella Supporters,

THANK YOU! The amazing new facility and programs at The Umbrella would not have been possible without your generosity, commitment, countless hours of volunteering, and the support of the entire community.

Fiscal Year 2019 was a momentous transitional year: some programs blossomed in temporary homes at ORNAC, and Nashoba Brooks School. Meanwhile, back at 40 Stow Street, artists moved back into their studios, and thousands of people attended our first Winter Market and Open House in the bright, accessible new space.

Our fundraising successes this past year included sold-out concerts, a record-breaking ARTRAGEOUS Gala, and progress on our building campaign that ended the fiscal year at $18.4 million. Thank you to everyone who has given so generously to support our annual programs AND the new building.

As I write this, we have already celebrated the reopening of the building and our Mainstage theater, and numerous milestones for all of our expanded programs. We look forward to sharing the arts with you in the months and years to come.

Thank you for being part of our Umbrella community!

Sincerely,

Jerry Wedge
Executive Director

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THE UMBRELLA FY19 FINANCIALS

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The Umbrella’s FY19 Total Operating Expenses = $1,584,590

FY19 TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE CONTRIBUTED & EARNED = $1,383,560

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Fundraising & Marketing Expenses

Net Assets at the beginning of the year = $17,486,107

Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets = $82,978

Net Assets at the end of the year = $17,569,085

THE UMBRELLA FY19 OPERATING EXPENSE

5,000 attendees at our 75+ plays, musicals, films, and concerts, including 65 sold out performances

5,000 adults and children participated in 68 Arts & Environment community celebrations, classes, events, and public arts projects

1,400 youth and adults participated in 150+ Arts Education classes, workshops, camps, and events

4,000 members of the public attended our Winter Market and Open Studios events supporting the livelihood of 100 artists and craftspeople

5,000 attendees to our Gallery Exhibitions, Artist Talks and Hands-on Workshops showcasing more than 300 original works of art

300+ participants and attendees supported The Umbrella at our annual ARTRAGEOUS fundraising Gala

200+ volunteers contributed 5,000+ hours of service
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