

MUSEUM OF DEAF

HISTORY, ARTS & CULTURE®



2018

Annual

Report

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OUR MISSION

The Museum of Deaf History, Arts & Culture (MDHAC) will advance and preserve knowledge about Deaf people, their languages, cultures, and experiences in the United States and around the world.



MDHAC's Board had a wonderful workshop on Direct Ask with Marilyn J. Smith (5th from the right) for the Board Retreat. Marilyn is the former Executive Director of ADWAS in Seattle, WA and is currently a board member of Deafhood Foundation.

Board Retreat 11.30.2018

OUR VISION

Through MDHAC, we will inspire visitors with meaningful appreciations of a rich and vibrant culturo-linguistic Deaf community, as well as invoke the truth of our struggles and resistance. As a result of our work, the values and endeavors of Deaf people will be embraced.

From the

Board President

Dear Friends:

On behalf of the **Museum of Deaf History, Arts & Culture (MDHAC)** Board of Directors, I welcome you to review our *MDHAC Annual Report 2018*. We had quite a busy and efficacious year maintaining our goals, operations and involving our MDHAC community, including visitors, volunteers, members, donors, and all other stake-holders in a wide range of activities and programs. In a snapshot, the MDHAC Board worked to:

- Complete many important Board strategic priorities from 2016-17;
- Maintain *Deaf guided Docent-Tours* and *Hands-On* activities for visitors;
- Create a new special exhibit covering the History of American Sign Language;
- Release a beautifully designed & informative MDHAC Annual Report 2017;
- Open the inspiring *Chuck Baird Art Gallery* to great fanfare and was honored to have some of Chuck Baird's relatives in attendance and involved with the ribbon cutting;
- Add a new Board Member with extensive museum experience under her belt;
- Ensure the continuation of the popular *De'VIA Youth Art Competition*;

- Host successful *Afternoon Tea & Festive Holiday Open House* fundraisers;
- Assist the Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art, along with the Kansas School for the Deaf and The Whole Person in coordinating a successful Deaf Culture Day Festival that opened many eyes; and
- Implement a new 5-year strategic plan last December that includes goals to modernize our programming by updating our current exhibitions in the Marra Museum, establishing digital programming/archives, and creating improved virtual/online experiences.

Without further ado, please check out the rest of this *MDHAC Annual Report 2018*. If you are not yet part of our MDHAC community, please consider supporting us in one, or more, of the following ways:

- Become a Donor, Member, or Sponsor/Partner,
- Volunteer or provide in-kind services,
- Sign up to receive our eBlast and follow us on social media,
- Visit our William Marra Museum and Chuck Baird Art Gallery, and/or
- Sign up for a tour/ activity and join us at our next fundraiser!

Yours in service,

Chriz Dally

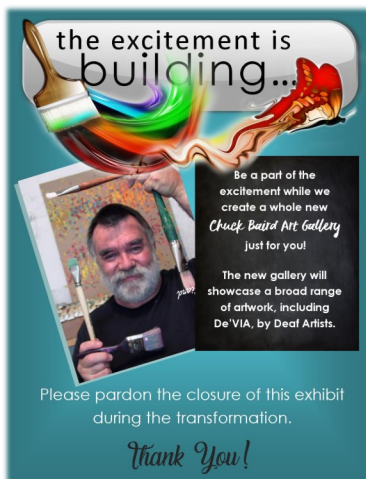
Chriz Dally, President
Board of Directors

Museum *Happenings*

What was new in 2018?

One of the strategic goals in helping MDHAC fulfill its mission and vision was to convert the apartment exhibit to the *Chuck Baird Art Gallery* showcasing De'VIA genre by Deaf Artists worldwide.

The *Chuck Baird Art Gallery* is the first and only art gallery of its kind solely focusing on Chuck Baird and De'VIA genre worldwide! This was made possible with your financial support!



Chuck Baird ART GALLERY



We celebrated the unveiling of the inspiring *Chuck Baird Art Gallery* to great fanfare with **200** people in attendance! We were honored to have some of Chuck Baird's relatives in attendance and involved with the ribbon cutting.

Many thanks to Home Depot, Dale Shank, Martin Kasick and Steve Daniels for their in-kind products and services in the construction of the gallery.

Docent Tours



Docents fluent in American Sign Language (ASL) to give a rich authentic, in-depth, behind-the-scenes narrative and insights of the various exhibits throughout the museum. Offered on the 2nd Saturday of each month from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. or by appt. Interpreters are provided for those who are not fluent in ASL.

After adding Docent Tours in 2017, we saw an increase in demand for the Docent tours in 2018! We had **159** visitors utilize this exciting program!

The Docent Tour offers

Support and Exhibits

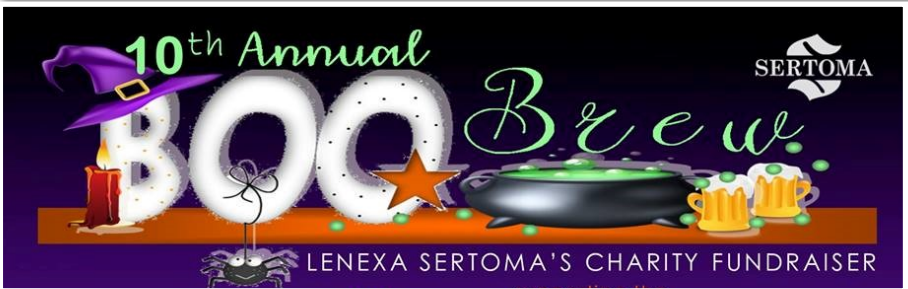
MDHAC partnered with several great organizations throughout 2018 in raising funds and fostering the public's appreciation of the Museum of Deaf History, Arts & Culture.



The Olathe Charities 5K is a fun, family friendly run that brings the community together for one race, in support of multiple organizations. MDHAC and its supporters participated and raised \$160 for MHDAC.



Through the KC Chiefs ticket fundraiser, supporters helped MDHAC raise \$907



Going on for the 4th year, we are proud that Lenexa Sertoma continued to choose us as the organization to support for their annual Boo Brew fundraiser!

The fundraiser was on October 24, 2018. The funds raised went to support MDHAC in fostering the public's appreciation of the Youth De'VIA Competition's impact on human diversity. This event raised **\$558**.

socialheart



Social Heart is a non-profit organization that is 100% volunteer managed by KC Young Professionals with the goal of creating a better community by supporting all local charities. Social Heart selected MDHAC as one of their organizations to support for 2018. They raised **\$500**.

Cultural Programs

HANDS-ON Workshop



HANDS-ON continues to be a very popular program, especially with the Girls and Boys scouts.

Over **268** children participated in the HANDS-ON program in 2018! The program has helped educate children about Deaf people and their contributions to society, hopefully fostering positive attitudes, lasting appreciation and acceptance of human differences and experiences to eradicate oppression of Deaf people for generations to come.

Cultural Series



Patio Culture was renamed Cultural Series in 2018, to better align with MDHAC's mission and vision. **262** people attended the Cultural Series throughout 2018 to learn from special presenters about various topics related to Deaf history, arts and culture such as:

Black History Month by Kylei Brooks

Visual History of American Sign Language by David Wilcox

Seek the World by Calvin Young

Does DeafBlind Community have a Culture? by Aimee Bader

History of NTID 1968 –2018 by Kimberly Kuhns & Ann Cooper

De'VIA Movement by Nancy Rourke

Deaf Cayuga vs Deaf Seneca by LaDonna Snyder

The Fire Inside Me that Break Down my Barrier by Michelle Plummer

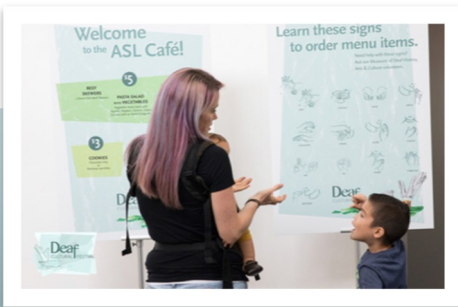


Deaf Cultural Festival

Every year, the Museum of Deaf History, Arts & Culture provides consultation and collaboration services to the Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art in coordinating their day long schedule of events to enhance the public's knowledge of the rich vibrant culturo-linguistic diversity Deaf community and their significant contributions worldwide to human biodiversity.



This year was Nelson-Atkin's 4th Annual Deaf Cultural Festival, where we also participated by providing a booth and volunteers. It was a phenomenal day! Nelson-Atkins reports that they counted 3,500 in attendance, the highest ever! Hats off to Nelson-Atkins for continuing this special event in which we were proud to be a part of!



The highlights of the festival included a music performance in ASL by Matt Maxey, a former ASL interpreter for Chance the Rapper and Shakespeare's "Hamlet" performed in ASL by Crom Saunders "Cromania," his one-man show. Other activities included a hands-on art activity, storytelling, poetry and more.

Signature Event



The Board of Directors and an amazing group of volunteers hosted its 4th Biennial AFTERNOON TEA signature event recognizing and awarding a renowned social justice Deaf Artist, Amy Cohen Efron, on Saturday, May 12th, 2018.



THE POWER OF ... Visitors & Volunteers



MDHAC had a total of 2682 visitors visit the museum throughout 2018!

Image | February 2018, with members and supporters looking on, we had the unveiling of our new sign, reflecting our new name: Museum of Deaf History, Arts & Culture.

4th Biennial AFTERNOON TEA Benefit

This signature event was a smashing success! A net profit of approximately **\$12,100** was raised. This was made possible by **110 attendees** and the following **SPONSORS**:

Johnson County Community College Foundation
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Hamilton Relay
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Thank You

THE ANNUAL GIFT OF GIVING ... Volunteers

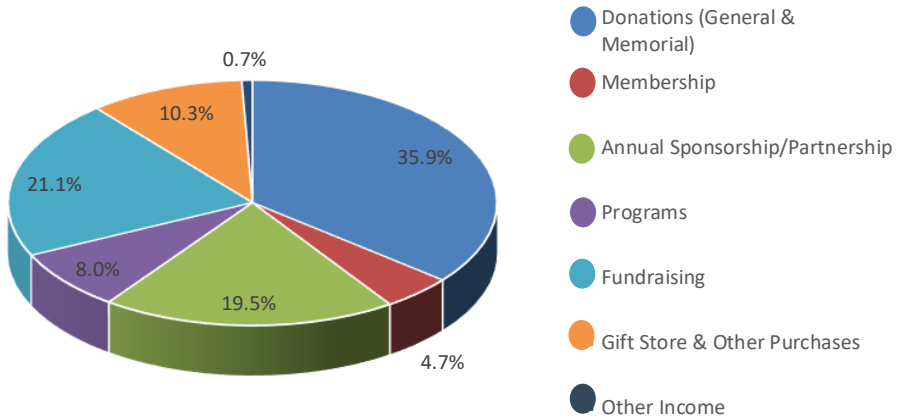


In 2018, 37 volunteers and 9 Board members, whom are all volunteers too, donated a total of 9805 hours of their time to the administration and management of the entire museum.

MDHAC hopes to obtain capacity funding in the very near future to secure staffing for the obvious number of hours required by volunteers in keeping the Museum running at it's full capacity.

Financial Snapshot

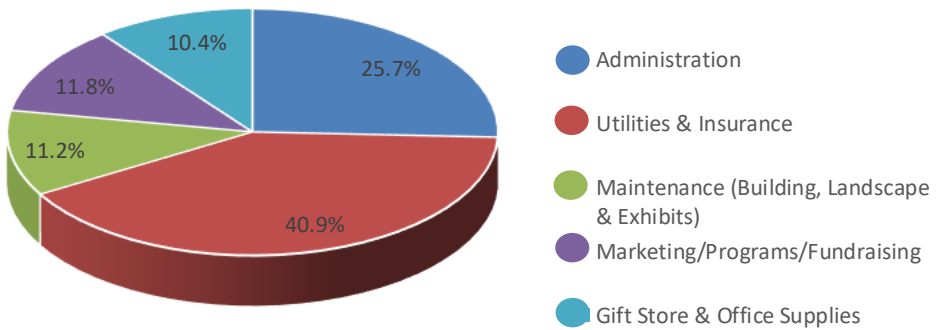
2018 REVENUES & SUPPORT



DONATIONS	35.9%	\$29,028.90
MEMBERSHIP	4.7%	\$3,767.56
ANNUAL SPONSOR/PARTNER	19.5%	\$15,750.00
PROGRAMS	8.0%	\$6,447.42
FUNDRAISING	21.1%	\$17,040.50
GIFT STORE/PURCHASES	10.3%	\$8,341.71
OTHER INCOME	0.7%	574.16

\$ 80,950.25

2018 EXPENDITURES



ADMINISTRATION (payroll, taxes, contract svcs)	25.7%	\$13,782.09
OPERATING EXPENSES	40.9%	\$21,937.25
MAINTENANCE (Building, Landscape & Exhibits)	11.2%	\$6,022.29
MARKETING/ PROGRAMS/ FUNDRAISING	11.8%	\$6,308.16
GIFT STORE & OFFICE SUPPLIES	10.4%	\$5,605.06
		\$ 53,654.85

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