

When you give, we can give.

Here are some of the things we have/will accomplish together in 2020-2021

- Survived the closing of our doors for three months due to COVID while staff continued to work
- Operated classes at 50% capacity for last 11 months
- Purchased equipment and received training to allow us to transition to online learning
- Moved online with select classes, demos, exhibits and receptions
- Offered two free online projects for kids to keep them engaged
- Re-opened in June 2020 with 170 students in our 10 weekly KidsArt Programs. Kept everyone safe
- Awarded scholarships to 22% of our KidsArt Campers in 2020
- By season end we will have presented 20 different exhibits, eight of them open shows
- Held the Inaugural Exhibit of the International Watercolor Society Florida USA
- Held the seventh Manatee County Public Schools Exhibit with over 150 pieces from K-12 students
- Donated 12 scholarships to Manatee County K-12 Exhibit award winners
- Upgraded our website to make it more visual and easier to use
- Completed an online catalog and created a Flipbook of Fall/Winter & Spring/Summer classes and workshops as our primary marketing tools
- Offered over 300 classes and workshops for adults and youth
- Hired 12 new instructors to teach classes and workshops over the past two years
- Held virtual annual members meetings for 2020 and 2021 with email online voting
- Created Flipbooks to market the LiveArtfully boutique and online shop and our exhibit artwork
- Purchased tabletop partitions, auto disinfectant and hands-free paper towel dispensers to keep you safe with a grant from Manatee CARES
- Offered eight free classes to the community through CARES funding
- Received partial grant funding for Arts & Healing program – to begin in the Spring/Summer 2021
- Increased sponsorships to support our exhibits
- Reached 30,000 people through our exhibits, classes, workshops and the LiveArtfully market
- Received a grant for an intern to help with social media, getting Instagram set up for the ArtCenter
- Continued to raise funds for our capital campaign

