

## 2020 – 2021 YOUTH ARTS NEW YORK ANNUAL REPORT

### PROGRAMMING REPORT

#### **Students for Justice Internships**

Youth Arts New York's primary work in 2020-2021 was in partnership with [Students for Justice](#), a Reclaim Our Vote initiative. Students for Justice is an internship program for college students and recent graduates, dedicated to empowering under-represented voters in communities of color by increasing voter registration and reducing the barriers to voting. It is a project of the Center for Common Ground, a non-partisan 501(c)(3) based in Virginia. Working from home, SFJ interns took on a variety of projects for Reclaim Our Vote, including development, communications (such as film-making), outreach, and community organizing. Most internships focused on recruiting, training and motivating volunteers to use postcards, phone calls, and texts. Tracks included Team Leader, Marketing Strategist, Filmmaker, Political Organizer, and Tech Tools Consultant.

Youth Arts New York mentored students enrolled in the project, providing weekly check-ins to monitor their progress and to assist with questions.

46 students received \$500 stipends from Youth Arts New York for their work.

#### **[The Vow From Hiroshima](#) Curriculum Guide**

*The Vow from Hiroshima* is a documentary about the lives of two generations of Hiroshima A-bomb survivors, Hibakusha Stories Fellow Setsuko Thurlow and Youth Arts New York board member Mitchie Takeuchi. The film was created by Ms. Takeuchi and YANY team member Susan Strickler. The filmmakers met Ms. Thurlow through their work with Hibakusha Stories. Youth Arts New York hired educational consultant Andrea Lowenkopf to develop a curriculum guide for the film which is distributed through Bullfrog Films.

#### **[Nuclear Ban Treaty Toolkit](#)**

Kathleen Sullivan and Robert Croonquist, with artwork by Tony Sahara and web design by Robert Sink, created a toolkit for use in implementing the landmark 2017 Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons which entered into force on January 21, 2021.

#### **[Illuminating the #NuclearBan](#)**

In January of 2021, Hibakusha Stories Director Kathleen Sullivan in partnership with Seth Shelden, Mitchie Takeuchi, filmmaker Owen Crowley, and The Illuminator to create a short film that acknowledged the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons entering into force and becoming International law. The film can be found on the Hibakusha Stories website.

#### **A Living Library at Roosevelt Island**

As in the past, Youth Arts New York partnered with Life Frames, Inc. in developing the Roosevelt Island Living Library & Think Park Gardens which serves as a thriving and healthy, hands-on ecological learning hub for youth and adults to explore and learn about nature, and to work with soil and plants, so that they grow and thrive in an urban setting.

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT**

The Board of Directors is happy to announce that Mitchie Takeuchi has joined the Board of Directors as our sixth member.

### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Opening Balance: \$13,632

Closing Balance: \$9,781.

#### **INCOME**

Individual Contributions (Non NYFA)	27615
Foundation/Trust	5650
<u>Corporate/Employee Match</u>	<u>416</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>33681</b>

#### **EXPENSES**

##### **Administration**

Credit card fees	53
NYFA Fees	2970
Insurance	4041
<u>Messenger Service</u>	<u>164</u>
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>	<b>7228</b>

##### **Program**

Travel & Transport	217
Student Stipends	23000
Artistic Fees	500
Writers Fees	3500
Workshop Instructors	1500
<u>Online Expenses</u>	<u>1588</u>
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>	<b>26805</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>34033</b>