

ELM FOUNDATION



2024 IMPACT REPORT

HEALING WITH THE POWER OF THE ART.

ELM Foundation fosters a lifelong love of self-expression and awareness through free arts education, arts therapy, and mentorship.

FREE ARTS EDUCATION FOR ALL

We hosted four 8-week sessions of free after school art classes.

Each session offered three core classes: Screen Printing, Stop Motion, and Kids on Decks

113

students attended our classes
(full capacity with some students
taking multiple classes)

1

new Screen Printing class added
to the curriculum, testing a
younger age group (under 10)

100%

of classes were led by working
and professional artists

77%

of students returned after their
session of classes

19

new students were welcomed to
our class programming

24

students were wait listed in hopes
of taking one of our classes



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ELM has amazing stimulating classes with unique and specialized art projects and exploration of medium, and wonderful, attentive and inspiring mentors and support staff!

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—Nina, parent of Stop Motion student

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I am immensely grateful that [my child] is able to learn and experience in such a creative and caring environment. You're doing wonderful work.

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—Cristina, parent of Screen Printing student

PARTNERSHIP

Collaboration and building strong relationships enhanced our youth programming in a huge way.

We partnered with:

- **Colossal Media** for a mural making class with 12 high school students, who under Colossal's mentorship developed and created a public mural.
- **Edward R. Murrow** and **Fiorello H. LaGuardia High Schools** for a curation class, culminating in each school curating a professional exhibition in our exhibition space, The Boiler.
- **30 local businesses** throughout the year, who sponsored our events and collaborated on various projects.

COMMUNITY

We celebrated with over 550 children and their families during our free community events.

We Hosted:

- **4 "Steamworks"** workshops where kids engaged in hands-on projects guided by professional artists
- Our 2 cherished annual community parties for the whole family: **ELM's Birthday** and Boo Bash
- A **Youth Pride Art Exhibition** in celebration of Pride Month
- **2 seasonal Student Showcases** where our young artists showed off the incredible work they created in class.



Mural Making Class trip, Colossal Media



Steam Works: Fantastical Mask Making, with Meaghan Elyse



Embryonic, 2024,
Edward R. Murrow High School Senior Art Show



Black light dance floor, ELM's 5th Birthday Party

WE'D LIKE TO THANK ALL OUR DONORS AND COLLABORATORS FOR THEIR GENEROUS TIME AND SUPPORT

At ELM, we're a small team that DREAMS BIG.

Thanks to our donors, teachers, mentors, artists, volunteers, partners, sponsors, parents, and collaborators, those dreams are becoming a reality.

We are profoundly grateful for your generosity, passion, and support. Together, we're fostering a world where creativity, connection, and self-expression can thrive for our next generation of young artists, and our community as a whole.

Thank you for being part of our journey.



Inka, the Gallery Dog