

Dear Patrons of the Arts,

The 2023-2024 season is coming to a close for the Heritage Arts Center Association, and it has been a year of blessings and heartaches. While we were bereft at the sudden loss of two of our longest serving board members, whom we loved dearly, we have had the great fortune to welcome new members who will surely bring fresh new energy, ideas, and creativity to the ways in which our organization serves our community in Pasco County. This, our 41st year, saw 120 school aged performers featured at Spotlight on Talent, where more than \$4,000 in scholarship funds were awarded. The 25th "Silver Anniversary" Moonlight and Ivory performances in November provided lovely entertainment, a pleasing art gallery, and culinary delights for both matinee and evening attendees, as well as supporting our efforts to fundraise for our local young artists.

All of this is possible because of your generous support and involvement in our programs. Whether monetary or time, your contributions are invaluable and far-reaching, working effectively to build up and encourage our young artists to continue developing their unique gifts, abilities, and talents. We are so grateful for your support these past years and look forward to our continued partnership as we prepare to open our 2024-2025 season.

Make sure to mark your calendar to attend the 26th Moonlight and Ivory Concert and Art Show on November 4, 2024, to relish in our own local talented adult musicians and visual artists. Then, Save the Date of March 15, 2025, where you will be inspired by Pasco County's finest talented youth at Spotlight on Talent.

We exist solely to support fine arts development in Pasco County's youth, encouraging them to contribute more of the beauty of their art, music, and dance performance in a world that so desperately searches for more. Thank you for your partnership to make our community a more cultured and beautiful place to live, work, and play, as well as everything you do to ensure that this shared mission continues to support the future generations of Pasco County artists.

Respectfully yours,

Heather Kline

President, Heritage Arts Center Association

Moonlight and Ivory

Please join us for our annual, **Moonlight and Ivory Concert and Art Show on November 4th, 2024 at the Dade City Woman's Club.** If you have ever attended this superb show, you will know what an outstanding afternoon and evening of entertainment you will enjoy.

Each year local professional musicians, singers and artists come together to provide our community with excellent musical performances of all genres. In addition, area artists display beautiful visual works for you to enjoy.

Please make plans to attend. Tickets are now available to purchase on our website www.heritagearts.org. You may also purchase tickets from the Chamber of Commerce, any HACA Board Member or at Prelude Academy of the Arts located in beautiful downtown Dade City at 14249 7th St. Your ticket not only includes the show, but delicious refreshments and gourmet coffee too.

We are pleased to have Tampa Electric , Carole West and Mike and Teena Avadikian of Merrill Lynch as our major sponsors again this year.

Heritage Arts Center Association Board of Directors - 2024-2025

Lauretta Brown, Nancy Ferguson, Barbara Friedman, Melinda Geskey, Dr. Joe Hill, Hannah Hindman, Heather Kline, Connie LaMarca-Frankel, Melanie Mainwaring, Steve Mayville, Diana Murcar, Jill Ricardo, Judy Schaper, Stephanie Stevens, Michelle Twitmyer, Laurel Weightman

Scholarships

Pasco Heritage Arts Scholarship: HACA awarded the eleventh annual Pasco Heritage Arts Scholarship to Kasey Lang at Spotlight on Talent 2024. Kasey was the highest scoring Pasco County Senior at the Finals Competition. Kasey was a senior at Pasco High School and Cambridge Salutatorian. Kasey graduated summa cum laude and has completed her AA degree from Pasco Hernando State College. Kasey will be attending Duke University in the fall. Congratulations to this amazing pianist.

2024 Heritage Arts Nereim Award: Jamison Weinberg
This year the award was presented to Jamison Weinberg of Cypress Creek High School. Jamison plans to continue his studies at the Ringling College of Art and Design, majoring in illustration. His skills lie primarily in digital art. His winning artwork may be enjoyed on our website, heritagearts.org.

Mark Your Calendars

Moonlight and Ivory: November 4, 2024

Spotlight on Talent: December 1, 2024/Applications Open
February 8, 2025/Preliminaries

March 15, 2025/Finals

Spotlight on Talent 2024 Winners

ACT I Matinee Competition

CATEGORY 1

- 1st – Amber Luu – Piano
- 2nd – Rhys Ricardo - Vocal
- 3rd - Adelynn Erickson – Jazz Dance
- 4th – Addie Pereira - Piano

CATEGORY 2

- 1st – Savanna Nelson – Ballet Dance
- 2nd – Naomi Reed - Piano
- 3rd – Kaiya Bistany-Charles - Vocal
- 4th – Adina Polley - Vocal
- 5th – Annabelle DePolis – Vocal
- 6th – Chloe Adams – Lyrical/Ballet Dance

CATEGORY 3

- 1st – Tenley Ryman – Contemporary Dance
- 2nd – Fiona Lin Blackburn - Piano
- 3rd – Caitlyn Siers – Contemporary Ballet
- 4th – Nikki Lang – Piano
- 5th – Gabriella Reto – Vocal

GROUPS

- 1st - Libertango Trio – Violins and Piano

ACT II Evening Competition

CATEGORY 1

- 1st – Makenna Henry - Dance
- 2nd – Paul McGill - Piano
- 3rd – Maelee Scaglione – Contemporary Dance
- 4th – Autumn Hawkins - Dance
- 5th – Isabel Geskey – Ballet Dance
- 6th – Elyana Coriano - Vocal

CATEGORY 2

- 1st – Abigail Wallace – Contemporary Dance
- 2nd – Katie Young - Vocal
- 3rd – Conway Theel - Piano
- 4th – Anna Hutchinson – Jazz Dance
- 5th – Huy Duong - Piano

CATEGORY 3

- 1st – Kasey Lang - Piano
- 2nd – Ylenia Giannini – Ballet Dance
- 3rd – Jasmine Crew – Contemporary Dance
- 4th – Larkin Mainwaring – Vocal
- 5th – Ashlyn Masson - Vocal

GROUPS

- 1st – Star Company – Acrobatic Dance
- 2nd – AIM Stars I – Musical Theater
- 3rd – AIM Stars B – Acting Comedy

PASCO HERITAGE \$1,000 SCHOLARSHIP WINNER | Kasey Lang - Piano

Spotlight on Talent 2024 Community Sponsors

The following organizations, businesses and individuals gave generous donations towards Heritage Arts Center Association and Spotlight on Talent. If you are out and about, please thank them for supporting the arts and most importantly for supporting the hard work, dedication and creativity of our youth.

Platinum Support – \$1000+ level - THE AVADIKIAN GROUP OF MERRILL LYNCH / MICHAEL & TEENA AVADIKIAN, TECO, CAROLE WEST

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Personal Support – up to \$99 level - MARY GIELLA, LEO O’ ROURKE, HAROLD & KAREN SAMPLE

Heritage Arts Nereim Award

- \$1000 to a senior from Pasco County
- Can be for photography, drawing, painting, sculpture, water color etc.
- Must submit at least 3 samples of original work.

Nereim Applications are Open January 1, 2025
Application Deadline March 31, 2025– For information and application submission, visit our website: heritagearts.org

Heritage Arts Center Association New and Improved Website

Please visit our updated website at heritagearts.org. Our history, an extensive photo gallery, all application processes, forms, and donation options are now available on our website.

Please consider a donation to Heritage Arts Center Association. Our mission of enhancing our community with visual and performing arts can only be accomplished with the resources you share with us. We are a non-profit 501-C (3) and your donation is tax deductible. Thank you for helping to enrich our wonderful community. Your generous donation may be made via our website, www.heritagearts.org. More information about our organization, please visit our website at www.heritagearts.org.