Welcome!

Our hope is to keep you informed with what we are doing and what is new and exciting at A Kid At Art for the Heart™. Thank you for reading and for your continued support!

HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING

A Kid at Art for the Heart™ is happy to announce that we have obtained close to $40,000.00 in grants from The Cleveland Foundation, The Ohio Arts Council and The Feel-Good Foundation.

READY, SET, GO!

Along with virtual technology, it is great to say that the Art Bus is back in action, live!

The bus attended TRUNK OR TREAT at the Geauga Head Start on Thursday October 27th. Starting in January, we
Starting in January, we will be supplying our services to 235 students and distributing close to 2000 bags to the Painesville and West Lake County Head Start Centers through the support of the Lake-Geauga Cleveland Foundation.

Thanks to The Ohio Arts Council, we will reach 128 children and provide over 1,000 bags to the Cleveland's Step Forward: Outhwaite, Lakeview Terrace, Villa and William Patrick day centers in Cuyahoga County. The centers will also receive a complete set of the hardback ARTIE the Art Bus© books for their eight classrooms.

IN THANKSGIVING
We are so very grateful to have had help from generous volunteers in stuffing bags for the children over the last couple of months.

Special shout out and thank you to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church for blessing us with being part of their Day Of Service! They will be live as we bring the art bus to the Geauga Head Start Center where four classes a week will run for eight weeks.

We are back monthly at St. Mary’s in Chardon, where the bus will provide three classes a month.

We will go to three Geauga Preschools starting in January as well: Metzenbaum, Jordak, and Ledgemont. They will have seven weeks of virtual lessons and then the last week will bring a surprise visit from Artie the Art Bus© live at each location.

NEED A GIFT IDEA?
Do you need a great gift idea for the children in your life: kids, grandkids, nieces, nephews, etc.? Foster their creativity and imaginations with their very own ARTIE the Art Bus© books!

They are being sold at the Party Loft in Chardon, as well as online at the AKAAFTH website: www.akidatartfortheheart.org
washed and waxed the bus and filled it with supplies for the Fall.

New and past volunteers are always welcome – no special art skills are required. Please join us in creating a brighter world for children by emailing your contact information to: volunteer.kidforheart@gmail.com

As always, we can’t thank you enough!

The books help children learn about their emotions and inspire their artistic talents. A gift like that from you to them becomes a gift to all in their world.

100% of the proceeds from the sale of these books goes directly back into the program!

Happy Thanksgiving! Until next time, make each day a creative one!

We are supported by generous donors and volunteers like you! 100% of all donations go directly to bringing art programming to preschoolers in our community, THANK YOU!

Donate and/or Volunteer HERE

Who We Are
A Kid at Art For the Heart™ is a 501c (3) non-profit organization offering underserved and disadvantaged preschool children innovative, community-responsive art education. Our inspiration-on-the-move programming is delivered to the doorsteps of schools, homes and human service organizations. A Kid at Art For the Heart™ was founded to give every child a chance at a great start in life through active engagement with the arts during the early years of childhood development. Art is more than self-expression; more than therapeutic. It is a window to infinite possibilities, encouraging children to aspire to better and greater things than the world in which they find themselves.

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