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Broomfield Council on the Arts & Humanities Mission Statement

"Broomfield Council on the Arts & Humanities is a nonprofit, membership-based organization, dedicated to the advancement of the arts and humanities. We strive for quality programs by nurturing creative ideas, fostering community participation, facilitating professional excellence in member offerings, and ensuring inclusive access for residents of Broomfield and surrounding communities."

iPie Pizza Gives \$537 to BCAH YAB

BCAH's Youth Advisory Board (YAB) was afforded a generous opportunity from iPie Pizza of Broomfield to raise funds and receive 3.14 % of its sales on its monthly giving day. Due to your pizza purchases on that day, BCAH YAB received \$537.71 from iPie. YAB will use the donation to fund its project goals aimed at increasing awareness of BCAH and engaging in creativity in Broomfield to make it a better place to live, work, and visit.

Kudos to Broomfield Council on the Arts and Humanities for your work in our community! iPie gave \$537 to them to further their work in making Broomfield a better place to live.



iPie Pizza of Broomfield continues to be a business that invests in its community. Pete Crouse, owner of iPie Pizza, interviewed YAB's President, Daniel Riggin, and Vice President, Jasleen Batra. The video was livestreamed to iPie's Facebook page. Watch the video to hear these civic-minded youth volunteers speak about BCAH and YAB.

Then, go buy some pizza from this local, favorited pizzeria so they can keep doing amazing work within your community. And the generosity doesn't stop at Pete — Carolyn Crouse, owner of iPie and wife of Pete, is a board member of BCAH, liaison of YAB, singer in ASTER Women's Chamber Choir, 2020 Heart of Broomfield of the Arts awardee, and a valued supporter who works to enrich the community each day. In fact, the whole Crouse family are beloved members of this community who give back, like Katie Crouse and Emily Joo.

Be a regular patron of the businesses that invest in the arts, creativity, and betterment of Broomfield — get over to iPie today located at 145 Nickel St. or call 720-887-4588! Looking for their menu? Visit [InfinitusPie.com/food/](https://www.infinituspizza.com/food/).

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Thank You: Summer Saturday Drive-thru Events

The Broomfield Council on the Arts & Humanities (BCAH) transformed its annual, free Summer Sunday festivals into Summer Saturday Drive-thru events with art shows, live music, and performances. BCAH hosted these free drive-thru's in place of its traditional in-person summer events due to social distancing requirements. Over 1,500 people (and several dogs) attended the three drive-thru events with the majority of attendees from Broomfield. This is a significant increase in the number of attendees from last year's Summer Sundays series of 1,000 attendees (and no dogs). These annual events are made possible by your donations — thank you for supporting creativity for all!

Many groups and entities joined in to create exciting events for everyone. With their talent, support, and willingness to participate in a new format, BCAH was able to successfully re-envision its 2020 series.

Artists, car show, chalk bags, contributors, musicians, performers, photographer

Broomfield Art Guild (Kim Touysinhthiphonexay, Lisa Tousignant, Maggie Henry, Jill Riggan, Nickie Barbee)

Broomfield Sister City (Junko and Ayana Goodwin)

Broomfield Symphony Orchestra (Holly Clifford, David Brussels, Bob & Lynn Scribner, Ed Frazar, Stephanie Morse, Rich Duston, flute and horn sections)

Car show (Daniel Toliver, Jim Huff, Tom Fahrenbruch)

Colorado Fine Arts Association (Ajay Chankramath, Sahana Balaji)

COVIDodo Bird (Camie Rigiroszi)

Dance Arts Studio (Heidi Thomas, youth dance teams)

Japanese Arts Network (Courtney Ozaki, Meg)

John Heins, accordionist

Holly Clifford, photographer

Katherine Codrescu, ballerina

Local artists (Sally Bullers, Gerry Case, Tanya Chamain, Jill Riggan, Camie Rigiroszi)

Naomi Cordova, hula hooping artist

School of Rock Band Broomfield (Jennifer Moriarta, Todd Bills, youth house band)

Senior Resources of Broomfield (John Freeman, Ben Vagher)

Sources of Strength/Youth 4 Youth (Nicole Dolan, Daniella Jaramillo)

Taiko with Toni (Toni Yagami, drumming group)

The Gizmo Dojo (Mia Sherman & team)



Broomfield Symphony Orchestra



COVIDodo by Camie Rigiroszi

Event support, location support, and/or shared marketing

BackStory Theatre

Bal Swan Children's Center

Broomfield Enterprise (Jennifer Rios)

Broomfield FISH (Dayna Scott, Emily Joo)

Broomfield Library & Auditorium, Creative Broomfield (Kathryn Lynip, Suzanne Linder, Cheryl German, Kris Nickeson, Serr Her)

Broomfield Police Department (Sergeant LaFleur, Sergeant Gabel, & other helpful police officers)

Broomfield Public Health (Deb Federspiel)

Broomfield Recreation Services (Matt Gulley, Angela Kochevar)

Broomfield Street Services (Rudy Cesena & team)

Sustainable Broomfield (Brianna Hallinan)

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Volunteers, organizers, community supporters

BCAH Board of Directors (Sherill Bunetta, Chippy Cianci, Heather Doran, Kathy Klatt)

BCAH Staff (Keri Dillingham)

BCAH Volunteers (Arlene Languerand, Daniel Riggan, Lila & Kathleen Riggan, Robyn & Avery Biggers, Lydia Pascarelli, Elle Esposito & Brooke Thurman, Sergio & AJ Genna)

BCAH Youth Advisory Board (Jasleen Batra, Daniel Riggan)

Volunteer Club of Anthem Ranch (Sherrie Somrak, Janis Lievens, Candy Hyde, Jan Peters, Debbie & Roger Caruana, Ellen Tannebaum)





ASTER Women's Chamber Choir says Goodbye to our Good Friend, Alex Craig

Composer and pianist Alex Craig was an integral part of ASTER Women's Chamber Choir from the very beginning. Alex was present at the piano at ASTER's first rehearsal on April 25, 2000 and accompanied the choir for its first ten seasons. He played the bongo drums with a honey dripper to help us stay together rhythmically when we sang an eight part work called "Breaking Flax" in Latvian in the early days. He played a drone on the organ to help us stay in tune for a seven minute long chant by Hildegard von Bingen, again in the early days. He made us better musicians by composing two different sets of pieces for the women he fondly christened "The Asteroids." He continued to be an active member of the group by suggesting pieces he thought we would do well, by accompanying singers when they sang solos in Talent Shows, and providing unwavering support to his wife, music director Christina Lynn-Craig. Alex's humor will be greatly missed, as will his culinary contributions to our potlucks.



His works *Astersongs*, composed in 2002, and *War Songs Revisited*, composed in 2017, challenged the singers, the conductor and the audience. These pieces were very difficult and also very meaningful. Certain melodic lines, text and harmonies are forever etched into the hearts and minds of those who performed them. On April 18, 2020 ASTER was scheduled to present our Spring concert, an event which was cancelled due to COVID-19. In an odd twist of fate, that evening Alex Craig died of a sudden heart attack at home (visit Rundus.com for a complete obituary).



Christina Lynn-Craig says that when she was single, she knew that she wanted to marry an accompanist or a laryngologist. "I am so fortunate to have had a long and happy partnership with Alex, who always encouraged me to pursue my dreams. One of those dreams was to found a women's choir in Broomfield." ASTER looks forward to the day when the choir can sing for our community again, and to honoring Alex's memory through music.

Chamber Ensemble con Grazia Shares New Music in the Friday Virtual Art Shows & on Website

Chamber Ensemble con Grazia (CEG), while absent from the Brunner Farmhouse this summer, has continued to bring music to the Broomfield community through the Friday Virtual Art Shows produced by the Broomfield Council on the Arts & Humanities. These monthly shows feature an assortment of artwork by Broomfield artists with music to carry the viewer from one artist's studio to the next. To enjoy these productions and the music of CEG, please see the Facebook pages of CEG at Facebook.com/conGraziaEnsemble (scroll down to the big red heart) or watch through BCAH's social media page at Facebook.com/ArtsinBroomfield or on BCAH's YouTube channel (Broomfield Council on the Arts & Humanities).

Although the program dates for next summer have yet to be arranged, you can hear music (new and from past concerts) by visiting the CEG website at Congrazia.com under the "Compositions Page" to hear recent recordings of Grace Asquith's *Spectrum*. This suite is a delightful array in two forms: a rainbow of colors and a spectrum of flutes ranging from bass flute all the way up to the piccolo performed by CEG musicians, Ginger Hedrick, Chris Potter, and Grace Asquith.



With gratitude for all who have continued to support CEG through this unusual spring and summer, we look forward to presenting our programs in 2021.



Broomfield Spellbinders

Members of Broomfield Spellbinders thrive on face-to-face interaction with young listeners—seeing their faces light up as they experience the joy of oral storytelling and being greeted like rock stars when they enter the classroom. After the schools shifted to at-home learning last spring in response to COVID, a few brave souls shared stories using video conferencing and quickly learned that there are significant differences between live storytelling and virtual storytelling, and few of our members were comfortable or competent with the technology required. As it became apparent that volunteers would not be able to return to classrooms even if the students were there. So, the program focused on preparing our members to be effective and comfortable with virtual storytelling.



These efforts began with monthly story circles during the summer that allowed members to meet with other storytellers (via Zoom) to share stories and get feedback. Working with other Spellbinders organizations, Broomfield's chapter leaders developed a four-hour training session that focused on how to adapt techniques and stories to address the unique aspects of virtual storytelling. This training consists of two 2-hour classes a few days apart. It includes a brief "homework" assignment and gives participants the opportunity to demonstrate what they have learned and receive peer feedback.

The training is scheduled for September and should ensure that Broomfield Storytellers can continue to support local teachers by sharing stories with their students using the available technology, until life returns to normal. Like everyone else, we hope that will be very soon!

Sources of Strength

Over the summer, Youth for Youth (Y4Y), a local youth advocacy group located in Broomfield as part of Communities That Care, partnered with Sources with Strength to work towards building connectivity and resiliency in our community through a summer internship. The newly created group was made up of 18 youth and 25 adults, which included those in local government, school districts, nonprofits, and BCAH's Executive Director. BCAH was thrilled to be a part of this amazing group of youth and local leaders who demonstrated a passion for helping others and continue to be dedicated to connecting people through hope. The series of meetings were held virtually with brainstorming sessions, games aimed at connecting participants through laughs and empathy, and informational segments during which the youth educated the adults by presenting the knowledge they gained through their trainings.



All the members were trained by a Sources of Strength leader, and together, the group has been able to brainstorm new ideas to begin a comprehensive wellness and resiliency-building program for our community. Sources is designed to harness the power of peer and community networks to change unhealthy norms and cultures, ultimately preventing suicide, bullying, and substance abuse. The group has taken action to help those in the community by: creating a website, presenting artwork at BCAH's Summer Saturday Drive-thru's events in July and August, sharing positive messaging through social media, and creating a video discussing "What Helps Me" during challenging times.

The video is a compilation of all the smaller videos made by many members of the coalition, their friends, and their families. You can watch this video at [YouTube.com/watch?v=q65lyT7tZ8o](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q65lyT7tZ8o). The video will also be shared to BCAH's Facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/ArtsinBroomfield>. Please watch the video and share it with loved ones and others in your life to spread this message of positivity and togetherness. Hopefully, soon enough, the mentality changes from "I am alone in this fight" to "We are all in this together"! For additional information and resources, please visit the Youth 4 Youth website at Youth4YouthInfo.wixsite.com/SourcesofStrength, follow the youth group on Instagram at BroomfieldY4Y, and visit Communities that Care at Broomfield.org/CTC.





Broomfield Veterans Memorial Museum Changes its Name and More News

The Broomfield Veterans Memorial Museum has changed its name to the Veterans Museum Broomfield, Colorado (aka Broomfield Veterans Museum) and reopened to resume its mission: To honor local veterans of all the United States' conflicts and peacekeeping efforts from the Civil War to the present, in all branches of service, by telling their stories. The museum houses nine rooms of exhibits, a military history library of over 2,500 volumes, and a small auditorium that hosts presentations by veterans and historians. It is free and open to the public and offers docent-guided or self-guided tours.



The museum is still—with virus precautions, of course—a center for veterans to connect, students to learn about our nation's history, individuals or groups to explore the rotating exhibits, and families to honor their loved ones who served in the military. The virus has curtailed many of the museum's activities, but it hopes soon to resume its Coffee and Conversation speaker series and engagement in local civic events and educational outreach efforts.

The museum was founded in 2003 by six late Broomfield-area World War II veterans, whose legacy is now carried forward by a team of volunteers, many of whom are veterans themselves. All are invited to come see the displays and hear the stories. The museum is located at 12 Garden Center on the north side of Midway, two blocks east of Hwy. 287. Hours of operation are: Thursday 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Masks are required.

Tribute to Dave Lewis

On June 1, 2020, the Museum lost a dear friend and a longtime supporter, volunteer, and president, succumbing to the melanoma he had been battling for a year. David Wade Lewis loved the companionship he had at the museum and was the constant voice of encouragement and appreciation for the other volunteers there. He contributed greatly to the success of the museum in multiple positions as a volunteer, Board member, Vice President, and President. Dave was a veteran himself, having served as an aircraft electrician and loadmaster in the Air National Guard during the Vietnam War years. Dave is survived by his wife, Arlyce, three daughters, twelve grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren. The family wishes that donations in Dave's memory be made to the museum. Please call 303-466-6801 or send an email to BroomfieldVeterans@gmail.com.



New Fallout Shelter & Cold War Room Exhibit

Have you ever wondered, "How long could I live in one little room?" Many American citizens asked themselves this question back in the days of Eisenhower and Khrushchev, when the world shuddered at the thought of nuclear war. So, they built fallout shelters, underground rooms equipped with the essentials of life, against the slim hope that something would remain of society when they emerged. The Museum honors this era in its Cold War Room, and the adjacent room, a reproduction of an actual fallout shelter. See this exhibit and contemplate having to live in it for your survival.



Scrapbook of Erika Ruth Skibbe

The Museum has recently acquired the scrapbook of Erika Ruth Skibbe, a Michigan girl who, in 1942 at the age of 20, joined the U.S. Navy's WAVES program ("Women Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Service" or the Women's United States Naval Reserve) to "see the world." Erika served two years in active service and four in the reserves rising to the rank of Seaman 1st Class (E3). She was assigned to the mail room at the Hometown News Center in Chicago, where she helped soldiers send their news and pictures back to their hometown newspapers. After the war, Erika attended Washington University in St. Louis, then moved to Colorado in 1947 to work for the Rocky Mountain News (now the Denver Post) for 20 years. The scrapbook chronicles her wartime experience, with both formal and candid photos of her and her colleagues, postcards from WAVES training grounds.



Friendship between Broomfield and Ueda, Japan

By Junko Goodwin

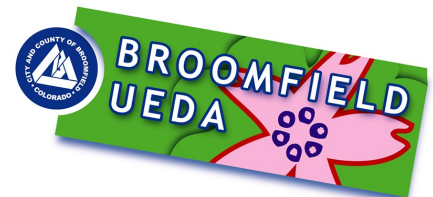
July 30 was International Day of Friendship. International Day of Friendship was proclaimed in 2011 by the UN General Assembly with the idea that friendship between countries, cultures, and individuals can inspire peace efforts and build bridges between communities. Today, we want to recognize our long-time friend and Sister City, Ueda, Japan. Ueda and Broomfield have been Friendship Cities since 2001 and have nurtured opportunities for delegates from both cities to creatively learn, work, and problem solve together through reciprocal cultural and educational exchange.



When Covid-19 started to take over our social life this spring, we were in middle of planning our very first adult trip to Japan as well as Tokyo 2020 Olympic celebration event this summer. It comes as no surprise that all our events were canceled and postpone. I kept asking myself, "Now what do we do?" We went online, as most of you did, and tried to keep calm and collected in light of the situation and come up with new ways of communication. Zoom meetings with members (even though I missed to see everyone in person) was for sure a heart-warming moment to find familiar faces once again. We even had face time with our friends in Ueda and learned how their lives were going across the ocean.

The pandemic hit the whole world, impacting every single one of us in one way or another. I would have never imagined that we cannot visit our parents, children, and friends around the world. There is one thing for sure: This pandemic has taught us that we need human interaction whether it is online or in person. The opportunity given to students, chaperones, and leaders of the Sister City program provides lifelong friendships around the world. Now more than ever, we can strengthen Broomfield families and the community by embracing the 20 years of friendship with our sister city in Ueda, Japan.

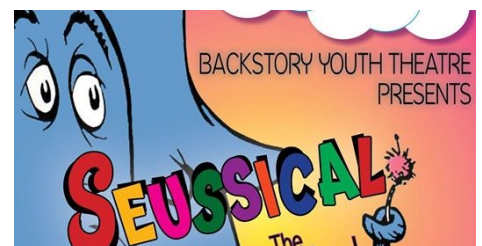
As Broomfield Ueda Sister Cities gets ready to celebrate our 20th anniversary, we are planning some unique opportunities for our members and community to come together. Please join a monthly meeting or ask our leadership and family hosts for more information by sending an email to BroomfieldSC@gmail.com or visiting BroomfieldSisterCities.org.



SISTER CITY EXCHANGE

BackStory Theatre's Fall Musical Theatre Performance

BackStory Theatre is moving forward with plans for our annual fall musical theatre performances. Youth ages 8-18 submitted video auditions in August and will plan to perform at the Broomfield Auditorium in November. Currently, a live audience will not be possible so we're excited to get creative and explore the Auditorium's new 6-camera streaming system to capture our performance in a live-format on video. We plan to present ticketed access to the online performances in November.



In September, we will launch our fall season of academy classes online for ages 3-18. We are planning on technical workshops for costume fabrication, set painting, and prop construction in September and October with small class sizes for ages 12-18.

For more information about productions and classes, visit BackStoryTheatre.org. To contact BackStory Theatre, call 720-263-0836 or send an email to info@BackStoryTheatre.org.





Buy BCAH a Cup of Coffee

How can you support BCAH and creativity in Broomfield?

Buy BCAH a cup of coffee each month (make a \$5 or \$10 recurring monthly donation via PayPal through ArtsinBroomfield.org) and help us recover from the impact of COVID-19. BCAH is experiencing a substantial decrease in funding and we need you, our donors, to give what you can. We understand the pandemic's economic impact has also reached beyond the nonprofit sector and into homes. Instead of asking for larger annual donations, we have moved towards a model of lower recurring monthly donations that are more within every donor's financial reach.

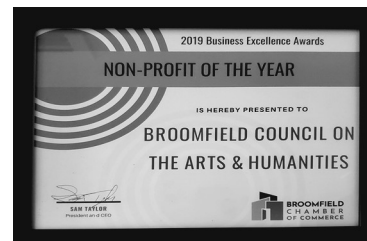


Okay, we won't buy coffee with your donations — your financial support will allow us to continue diverse outreach events and programs. While our new Science+Art program is on hold, we would love to hold another drive-thru event with the creative community, perhaps with an artistic winter theme. Your donations help our ideas come to life and make Broomfield a better place to live, work, and visit. To support creativity, all it takes is the cost of one or two cups of coffee per month.

If you would like to send in "Checks for Coffee" versus online payments, you can do that, too! Send in the form in the back of this newsletter along with your check. Then, you can send in one check per quarter with each newsletter. Any donation amount is greatly appreciated!

BCAH Named Nonprofit of the Year

In August, the Broomfield Council on the Arts & Humanities (BCAH) was honored with a 2019 Business Excellence Award with the distinction of "Non-profit of the Year" by the Broomfield Chamber of Commerce at its 60th Anniversary Celebration and Galapalooza. Present at the event to accept the award were BCAH's Board Vice President, Chippy Cianci, and its Executive Director, Keri Dillingham. It was a fun-filled evening with awards, trivia games, masks, and socially-distanced networking.



Thank you to the Broomfield Chamber of Commerce for recognizing BCAH's positive impact in Broomfield! BCAH shares this award with its programs and member groups who engage in collaborations to deliver accessible, creative programming ensuring there is something creative for everyone. BCAH also credits this award to the work of its volunteer Board, staff, and scores of event volunteers that, without whom, BCAH would not be able to enlighten, entertain, and energize the hearts, minds, and spirits of the young to young at heart.

Summer Saturday Drive-thru Photos

Photo credits: Holly Clifford





Broomfield Film Project to Offer "My Wild Heart" Virtually

The Broomfield Film Project (BFP), a program of BCAH, will stream Orlando Film Festival and Ashland Independent Film Festival documentary selection *My Wild Heart* this October. A portion of the ticket proceeds will benefit Alzheimer's disease care, support and research.

"Love appeared and put fire to existence." Nader Vakili, an Iranian-American plant geneticist and sculptor, travels the world with his wife, Mary Jane, their six children and six tons of accumulated tropical hardwood. Now at 91, with Mary Jane suffering from Alzheimer's and no longer living at home, Nader faces his mortality, the towering wood pile, and the absence of his beloved muse. Reciting Rumi, he dreams of a final statue to her memory.



Sound interesting? Do one or all of these things to learn more:

- 1) Stay connected to BFP for information regarding tickets and dates by liking and following "Broomfield Film Project" on Facebook.
- 2) Get added to our email list — send an email to BCAH@ArtsinBroomfield.org with "Add me to BFP" in your subject title.
- 3) Learn more about the film at MyWildHeartFilm.com.

Broomfield Community Players Update

Like everyone else, when the realities of the COVID-19 pandemic became clear, the Broomfield Community Players (BCP) went on hiatus. With the March closures of the Broomfield Auditorium, our primary performance space, and other city facilities, there has been no place to produce or rehearse a show. More importantly, we have followed recommended safety practices to protect everyone's health by not gathering for meetings or rehearsals. As a result, we canceled our April and August shows.



We count ourselves as extremely fortunate to be a BCAH program and due to its support, there has been little real impact on our organization. We are an all-volunteer organization, from management to cast members, with no overhead. No one missed a paycheck because we don't pay anyone and our small inventory of equipment and supplies is stored in member homes at no cost. We sorely miss the stage and the excitement of putting on a show but that is the extent of the impact.

In the last few weeks, we have reconvened our Executive Committee (virtually, of course) and begun to explore alternatives to live theatre. We are in discussions with the staff at the Broomfield Auditorium to get a sense of what this might entail. The auditorium coordinator has been working hard to equip that space to be more adaptive to the performance conditions that are our new reality. It is our hope to record a small show in September and a Christmas gift to the community in December. Both would be filmed at the auditorium and broadcast on our Facebook page. At the same time, we are polling our membership for experience and talent with this medium. This is all very new to us and it is difficult to predict if this is a viable direction for us. It is our fondest hope that by summer 2021, we can once again identify rehearsal space, select and cast a show, and schedule and present live theatre in Broomfield. Until then, stay safe and stay tuned!

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The Broomshticks Improv Group

The Broomshticks, a program of BCAH, has been active all summer hosting monthly virtual meet-ups, getting together for physically-distanced backyard rehearsals, and recording a few silly games for the entertainment of those on social media!

In July, we moved our free monthly meet-ups on the 1st Wednesday of every month from 6:45-8:15 p.m. back to Wonderland Brewing in the far corner of the yard to practice projecting through our masks! Grab a beer and join us to laugh, play, or stare in confusion as we explore short-form improvisation in the style of "Whose Line is it Anyway?" on September 2, October 7, and November 4. Please note: In-person meet ups may be moved back to an online platform if necessitated by public health changes. Follow us on Facebook under "Broomshticks" or through Meetup.com for up to date information!



Broomfield Art Guild News

Our last in-person meeting was on March 10 and then the Coronavirus Stay-At-Home order kicked in. We modified our activities with monthly member meetings on Zoom, socially-distanced plein air sessions, a chalk giveaway at the July Summer Saturday Drive-thru, and a proposal to make our Fall Member Show virtual. THANK YOU to the dedicated members that worked so hard to plan, implement and attend these programs! Though, we have noticed that virtual activities take a lot of time and energy to plan and attend, and no one seems to have extra time and energy these days. Our energy resides in our people getting together; that's when fun and wonderful things happen. Therefore, we continued the plein air sessions through August, but we will pause Zoom member meetings, the newsletter, and BAG-sponsored art exhibits, and forgo having a member art show this year. Sadly, the December party at Cinzetti's is at risk of not happening, as well.

This situation will not last forever! When we finally can get back together, we will have amazing art and stories to share, and the energy to reassess and restart our programs. Meanwhile, we are urging our members (and everyone) to take care of themselves, families, friends and neighbors. Keep making art – use this time to try new things or use your art process to go deep and explore your thoughts and emotions. We will continue to monitor and share email communications. If you would like to connect with a face on Zoom, voice on the phone, or a meet up in a park, send us an email at BroomfieldArtGuild@gmail.com and we will help make it happen.



Chalk Giveaway Event at the Summer Saturday Drive-thru

Broomfield Art Guild collaborated with Broomfield Council on Arts & Humanities to distribute around 200 art kits with sidewalk chalk, paint and brushes to 173 cars with over 500 attendees during the Summer Saturday Drive-Thru on July 11. After the event, we had about 200 remaining art kits which we distributed to Sources of Strength teen anti-suicide group, Backstory Theatre kids summer program, Unity of Columbine Spirituality Center kids program, and families at McKay Lake and Broomfield parks and neighborhoods. It was truly a team effort to spread hope and art around Broomfield:



Board members Kim Touysinhthiphonexay, Lisa Tousignant and Maggie Henry acquired materials and assembled bags. Kim, Lisa, Cathy Carpenter, Val Roche and Jill Riggin created 16 chalk art pieces for the event. Kim, Lisa, Maggie, Jill and Nickie Barbee helped to set up art displays and bag stations. Camie Rigiroszi brought the COVIDodo sculpture and his art to display during the event. Camie, her step-daughter, Lisa, Maggie and Jill's granddaughters created sidewalk chalk art. Kim and Jill handed out bags to cars artfully directed by Nickie. Kim, Lisa and Gerry Case helped with post-event bag distribution.

The art kits were well-received with lots of appreciation and thank you's from the attendees. Photos of sidewalk art are being posted to our Facebook page (Broomfield Art Guild) from around Broomfield.



Broomfield Symphony Orchestra

Like performing arts organizations worldwide, Broomfield Symphony Orchestra (BSO) found itself in a very stark landscape in March. Having just completed a memorable performance of the Brahms *Requiem with Cantabile* in late February and anticipating creative collaborations with Dance Arts Studio and the Broomfield Youth Orchestra, as well as a season finale with the Youth Concerto Competition winners, the orchestra was confronted with stay-at-home orders and a shuttered Broomfield Auditorium.



The orchestra and Board of Directors gave back to the community by hosting "Come as You Are Stay in Your Car" drive-in concerts. Fortunately, a newly elected Board of Directors member offered her farm and fields for BSO events. This opportunity led to collaborations with Dance Arts Studio to bring virus-safe entertainment to these events. The Irish electric fiddle band, Rosin the Bow, led by one of BSO's own violinists, also joined us for a set. The BSO also collaborated with BCAH as its leadership worked to pivot from its annual Summer Sunday festivals at the Brunner Farmhouse to pandemic-safe Summer Saturday Drive-thru events at the Broomfield Commons Park and Broomfield Library. All of this entertainment was presented free of charge to our patrons, audience and supporters.

Through the summer, the BSO adapted to the ever-changing virus guidelines, embraced ensembles of 10 or fewer players, played outside for wind players, and explored ways of making music while physically distanced from fellow musicians by six feet or more. We have applied 1950's FM radio technology to transmit performances to car radios and state-of-the-art technology to live-stream performances that have been heard from Cape Cod to Fort Lauderdale to San Diego to Arkansas.

For the regular concert season, the BSO will continue to record and stream concerts. Live concerts at the Broomfield Auditorium that were booked for October 24 and December 13 will have virtual replacements. Watch the BSO website for connection details at BroomfieldSymphony.org

Updates for BCAH & Select Programs

The Broomfield Council on the Arts & Humanities (BCAH) and its programs have been significantly impacted by the current circumstances associated with COVID-19 with postponed events and canceled programs. It's BCAH's mission to continue delivering creative content, while doing its part to safeguard the community. Whenever and wherever possible, BCAH programs and their talented and committed volunteers have found innovative formats to share enriching events and content with the community.



Here are a few updates, not elsewhere covered in the publication:

ASTER Women's Chamber Choir — ASTER remains on hiatus until it is again safe to rehearse.

Broomfield Days Poster Contest — With Broomfield Days 2020 being canceled, the annual Broomfield Days Contest has not been held. Discussions on how to transform or postpone this event for this continue. If you would like to be part of the decision process, attend our next monthly board meeting on September 8 by sending an email to BCAH@ArtsinBroomfield.org to receive the Zoom invitation.

Outreach events

- ⇒ **Friday Virtual Art Show:** Friday Virtual Art Shows will continue to be created as long as the creative community and residents express interest in these online videos. These videos typically premiere once per month on BCAH's YouTube and Facebook accounts and feature artwork, performances, and music. If you are not on the BCAH email list, you may have missed the links to the videos. Send an email to BCAH@ArtsinBroomfield.org to be added to the list.



Results of the First Pickup Event of the Mask Broomfield Students Project

The Mask Broomfield Students project is a partnership between the Mask Makers of the Volunteer Club at Anthem Ranch and Broomfield Council on the Arts & Humanities to ensure masks are affordable for all families.

Why this project? Parents must add several masks to their school supply lists for in-person or pod learning, which means extra \$\$\$\$. Masks should be: affordable, reusable, available in different sizes to fit children's faces, and high quality, 100% cotton double fabric with elastic ear bands. Our solution to this community problem was to join forces to support families by the mask makers sewing over 1400 masks in various sizes and giving the donations to BCAH for organizing the project and to also help close its decrease in funding due to the pandemic.

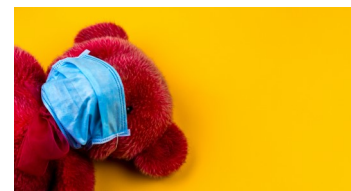


Results of first pickup event: The pickup event was held on August 21 with a total of **136 masks** given out and \$304 in donations raised. Of those donations, \$91 goes directly to BCAH for fundraising while the remaining funds will partially reimburse the mask makers for fabric and be applied towards related costs, such as online processing fees. But wait...there are still 1300 masks available!

How can you support this project? Donate to receive masks for the students and families in your life and community organizations you support. Maybe you know a family in your neighborhood who would appreciate masks. Maybe your favorite community group will accept masks for their clients. Maybe there's a business that you visit who is supportive of families and community health that would donate to receive masks and hand them out to patrons.

Support students, families and your community, while giving donations to a longstanding nonprofit that needs your help to continue its creative programming for children, families, and seniors.

- ⇒ Donate \$2 to receive 1 mask
- ⇒ Donate \$5 to receive 3 masks
- ⇒ Donate \$10 to receive 7 masks
- ⇒ Donate \$20 to receive 13 masks



Need more than 13 masks? Send an email to BCAH@ArtsinBroomfield.org.

How can you donate? You can donate online via a debit or credit card or in person at the pickup event with exact cash or by check.

Donate online: Go to ArtsinBroomfield.org to donate online via PayPal. You do not need a PayPal account to donate. Click on the Donate button on any page of the website. Choose your donation level or input a donation amount. You can add special instructions in the comment box or send an email to BCAH@ArtsinBroomfield.org.

Donate at the event: Bring exact cash or write a check payable to "BCAH."

You can choose patterns and sizes (approximate sizes listed below) at time of pickup.

Next pickup event: September 18 from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. and 3-5 p.m. in front of the Brunner Farmhouse (640 Main St., Broomfield, 80020)

Volunteers will wear masks and gloves at the pickup event.

- ⇒ Small: 6 1/2" x 2 1/4" (preschool-2nd grade)
- ⇒ Medium: 7 1/2" x 2 1/2" (2nd-5th grade)
- ⇒ Large: 8 1/2" x 3 1/4" (some adults, teens, pre-teens)
- ⇒ X-large: 8 1/2" x 3 3/4" (adults, some teens)





Yoga in the Grange Community Garden

Join instructor Mia Pierce for Yoga in the Garden on September 5 at 9 a.m. at the Broomfield Crescent Grange located at 7901 W. 120th Ave. Take in the sights and sounds of the late summer garden as you enjoy a gentle Vinyasa flow yoga class; great for beginners.

Learn yoga poses, breathing for relaxation, and develop ease in movement on the mat to take with you off the mat and into life. Bring your own sturdy blanket or mat, water, and personal protective equipment, including a mask. The class is free, but we ask that participants either make a small donation to the Grange or stay after class to help out in the garden. Class size will be limited to 10 people. For more information, please visit our Facebook page under "Crescent Grange Broomfield."



Sustainable Broomfield

Sustainable Broomfield had an eventful summer despite the impacts felt by COVID-19. We anticipated holding our meetings online, but on June 22, we had 28 people participate in our outdoor meeting with masks and appropriate social distancing under the pergola at the Brunner Farmhouse & Gardens. The large turnout was likely due to an article published in the Broomfield Enterprise about the new Sustainable Broomfield Compost Club.

Once people sign up for the Club and learn the rules, they receive a 5 gallon bucket to collect their compostable scraps. When their bucket is full, they drop it off at the Broomfield Crescent Grange and take an empty one back home. Volunteers empty the buckets into the Grange's compost bins, clean out the buckets, and properly mix and maintain the compost. When this compost is finished "cooking," it will be used in the Grange's Community Garden. In one month, we signed up over 40 club members. If you are interested in joining, please email Brianna Hallinan at SustainableBroomfield@gmail.com.



In addition to the Compost Club program, Brianna taught a Backyard Composting Class at the Crescent Grange with over 30 people in attendance! A number of Compost Club participants volunteered to help us manage the buckets and compost for the program. Information shared during the class can be found in the Composting Section on the Resources Page at SustainableBroomfield.com. Jessica Slattery has made some great improvements to our website and started our SB Blog Page. Our social media presence will also get a boost with help from George Valdovinos. On "Weeding Wednesday," we had 10 people help weed our garden at the Brunner Farmhouse & Gardens until it was too dark to see!

Besides having amazing volunteers, we welcomed great speakers at our summer meetings. In June, David Gustin, a member of the city's Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability (ACES), shared his vision to start an Ambassador Program designed to integrate members of the low income and minority communities into the environmental discussions in Broomfield. We also heard from John Kinsey, a professor at Front Range Community College, about how his institution and students might be able to help us with future projects.

At our July meeting, we heard from the County CSU Extension Director and Horticulture Agent, Sarah Schweig, about native alternatives to common landscape plants. Another member of ACES, Catherine Drumheller, gave us a great briefing on what ACES has been working on in 2020. Check out the blog page of our website for articles and links for both of these speakers. Joan Gregerson, founder of the Green Team Academy, wrapped up our July Meeting with a short introduction to her latest initiative, the 2020 International Climate Action Challenge, which has the goal of launching 1,000 eco-projects worldwide in 90 days. On September 28, Hunter Lovins, a co-author of the book *A Finer Future: Creating an Economy in Service to Life*, is slated to be our featured speaker. We hope to have great plans to share with you in the next newsletter!



Thank You for Your 2020-2021 Memberships & Donations

BCAH is grateful for your memberships and charitable support this past quarter. It is through your generosity that BCAH can continue to ensure creative experiences are accessible by all.

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Butter Wilde
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Chadash Dance

Kelly & Regan Archer
ChadashDance.com

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- **Participate in BCAH fundraisers, like Mask Broomfield Students (p. 12) and "Buy BCAH a Cup of Coffee" (p. 8).**
- **Volunteer for an event, short-term committee, or the Board of Directors.**
Volunteers are currently needed to continue exploring creative ways to engage the community.
- **Drop off your empty ink cartridges to the Brunner Farmhouse.**
- **Shop on Smile.Amazon.com and choose BCAH as your nonprofit so BCAH can receive a percentage of your total purchase from Amazon.**
- **Make a donation to BCAH via the form above, on ArtsinBroomfield.org and clicking on the "Donate" button, or through ColoradoGives.org.**

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