

2021 WAS A BIG YEAR FOR INSPIRING HOPE MINISTRIES



Leslie Iwai



Kristin Roling

2021 saw us moving into our new space in Middleton, Wisconsin with new opportunities for classes and events. We started out with Zoom gatherings and began meeting face-to-face in the summer. New students joined us and we welcomed two new teachers. Kristin Roling joined us in dance with experience in musical theater, dance, and costuming. Leslie Iwai joined us as a visual art teacher and mentor. Leslie's experience as a visual artist has brought us many new and creative projects.



BUILDING OUR OWN TOWN!

In the Fall of 2021, we built a diorama town "Friends of Hope Town" together. We each made our own dream house. We then divided into groups and added a library, "Happy Pets" animal shelter, a park with a lake, a hospital and our "Holy Bowlers" bowling alley! Leslie Iwai taught us how to build with a variety of materials and created a fun environment to build friendships.



DON'T STOP BELIEVIN'

The band "Journey" inspired us with their song *Don't Stop Believin'*. Wendy Rowe helped us with the music, Kristin Roling taught us the acting moves, and Lynda Sharp helped us tell the story with our moves. Many times we wondered if we could put it all together but hey, we didn't stop believin' and we ended up putting together a great piece that made us laugh and clap when we were done and something we were proud to show our parents!



OUR FIRST WRITING WORKSHOP

It was exciting to have our first writing workshop in 2021. Each student worked with a helper to write a bio sheet where they talked about who they are. Then we gathered as a group and wrote a poem together (seen below).



HOPE

Hope is a
rainbow
violet
sparkling
a purple heart
Hope is in my heart
such a good friend
a happy place
make things
learn things
happy things
HOPE

A Year With Frog and Toad



The cast takes a bow after our first performance for our families!



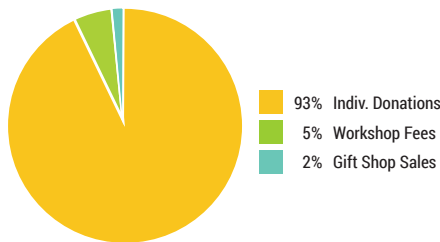
Frog (Max Divelbiss) and Toad (Alex Haunty) sing about their friendship.

We launched a new project this 2022 - the musical "A Year with Frog and Toad." This has been such a fun adventure and a dream of ours. It is our first full production and we are so grateful to have Sarah Karlan as our director. Sarah is the Arts and Communication Pastor at City Church in Madison, Theatre Director for ALCS, serves on several boards in the Madison area arts community and is the three-time winner of "Outstanding Director" through the Overture Center's Tommy/Jerry awards.

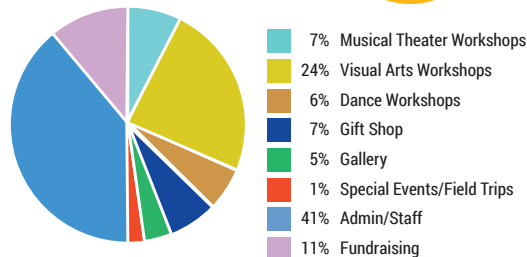
We are equally grateful to have such a great team of helpers, facilitators, teachers, and set builders who helped Sarah. We are so proud of our artists who rose to the challenge of learning lines, songs, and choreography. It was a full and busy summer. We had so much fun and have learned so much about each other in the process!

We are doing an adapted version of this Broadway Show, a story about two friends, Frog and Toad, and how they navigate their friendship. We will be showing our performance to the public on Saturday, November 5th at 3 PM at City Church (4909 E. Buckeye Rd., Madison) to all who wish to attend. Mark your calendars! YOU are INVITED! The performance is free but donations are appreciated!

REVENUE
\$74,979



EXPENSE
\$74,263



2021
FINANCIALS

WHAT WE DO



CREATE: An Inspiring Hope Arts Studio supporting creative experiences that encourage a community of IHM artists and those who desire to explore the arts with them.



LEARN: Educational opportunities encouraging learning about and exploring the world around us as we build relationships together.



HEAL: Pursuing a whole life; body, soul and spirit. Providing opportunities for prayer, encouragement, restoration, rejoicing and pursuit of wellness and building of a faith community.



GROW: Developing opportunities for growth in life wholeness for individuals and families. Creating jobs for life work and contributing to our community through the Hope Bookstore.



SHINE: Displaying our creativity through dance, song, theater, improv and a gallery of visual arts to show what we are doing!

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