

2023 INSPIRING HOPE MINISTRIES NEWSLETTER

2023 Was A Fun Year of Learning at IHM

We did several workshops throughout the year hosting about 25 student artists and our helpers each night.

Leslie Iwai helped us explore master artists in the Spring. We learned about artists like VanGogh, Matisse, Pollack, and more. Our artists loved painting in the manner of the masters.

We welcomed a new teacher to our team. **Gary Nauman** came to us from Inter Varsity Christian Fellowship 2100 team. He taught us about Graphic Novels and doing cartooning.



At the end of our Masterpiece Workshop we celebrated all the work each artist had created and Leslie helped each one learn how to talk about their work.

> Each artist created a spread about who they were and what they liked to do. We put it all together in our first Inspiring Hope Graphic Novel.

Two Exhibitions Brought Many to the IHM Gallery

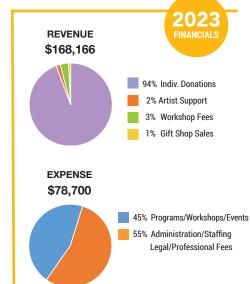


Christopher Hindle with Alex Haunty, one of the young artists he mentored and his daughter, Abbie at his artist reception at IHM. Spring 2023 MMoCA Gallery Night featured **Christopher Hindle.** Chris, one of our lead art mentors, was instrumental in helping build the IHM Visual Arts Program. He loved transforming discarded and unexpected materials into art. Chris passed away in late 2023 after a courageous fight with cancer, so this was his last exhibition. We remember his work with great appreciation and respect.

HeadStrong Art was our featured artist for the Fall 2023 MMoCA Gallery Night. As an artist with cerebral palsy, she paints with a headstick. She showcased 144 of her communication icons

which she uses to share her thoughts on her augumentative communication

IHM Director Mary Beth Haunty interviewed Anastasia Wilson who used her communication device which she operates using her eye movements.



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