

INSPIRING HOPE MINISTRIES HAS FOUND A PERMANENT HOME

Pivoting, adapting but always moving forward building meaningful lives for those with disabilities.

With a vision of the future in our heads, Inspiring Hope Ministries found a permanent home in early 2020. This building is a long-awaited dream.

The renovation should be complete by spring. Here is a peek into our spaces:

- A beautiful, professional dance floor that will be used for performance/movement activities as well as other theater/improv productions that we may have.
- A visual arts area that will allow for creative and fun classes along with a variety of individual artistic opportunities.
- A refreshing room that will provide a quiet space for rest, reflection and rejuvenation.
- A bookstore and gallery space open to the public, offering books of hope and work of our artists as well as community artists.
- An area where we can produce webinars and and/or other online classes or activities and where we may have worship or prayer opportunities as well.

We plan to have an open house in the Spring of 2021 and welcome all of you to check out the space.

2020 has been a year full of Pivoting

We had two full and successful workshops in 2019 with a growing number of students/artists. We sang, danced, created improv scenes and did fun visual projects at our gathering table. 2020 started with a full workshop in February but in March we faced the realities of Covid-19.



Our new home at 7425 University Ave. in Middleton WI.

Quickly IHM pivoted from our in-person gathering to an online program, using the Zoom format. We were committed to continue building relationships, learning and sharing. We learned how to dance in our chairs, do improv across screens and do creative visual art projects virtually.

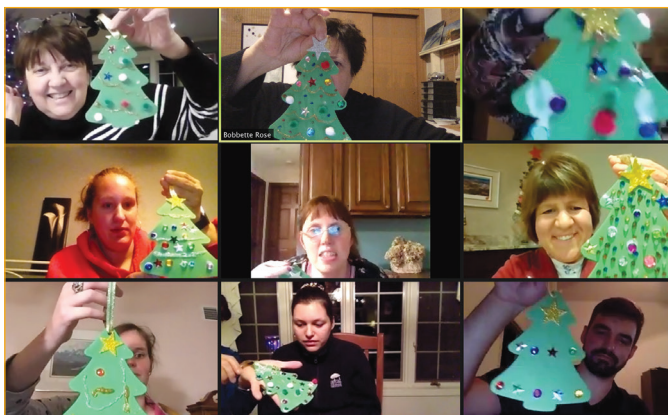
In June, IHM put its toes in the water again to try a socially-distant, mask-protected, 6-week outdoor summer camp hoping to bring our participants out in the sunshine before a possible repeat of a fall lockdown.

Realizing our hope for normalcy in the fall was still far off, we adapted yet again with a new fall program of theater, vocal and dance/movement arts via Zoom alternating with a visual art and games zoom starting in late September.

We have come to realize how essential this offering of zoom classes is for the population of those with disabilities. We will always wish to meet in person, however individuals with disabilities can often have times when they are homebound or need more support. So what we were thinking as temporary programming we now realize might become an ongoing programming option offer.

Coming in 2021

We hope to move into our space and develop more in-person opportunities for our artists. Regardless whether in-person or on Zoom, we will continue to gather and grow.



We moved to Zoom for our workshops this year due to COVID-19. Recently we had fun making Christmas ornaments.



PARTNER WITH US

We currently hold workshops, meet with families, and raise money to build out the full vision of Inspiring Hope Ministries. If you would like to learn more about how you can join hands and help, visit our website and contact us.



Program Development

Support IHM's overall programming and project development through a general donation. Help us activate possibilities as we move into our next phase.



Underwrite A Workshop

We would like our workshops to be accessible to everyone regardless of financial means. Think about underwriting a full workshop or sponsoring an individual artist. Contact us.

2019

Revenue
\$86,729

77% Cash Donations

23% Gifts of Stock

Expenses
\$47,031

86% Development Costs

14% Workshops

BUILDING MEANINGFUL LIVES

Inspiring Hope Ministries and Alex Haunty Theater Arts Fund, Inc. (AHTAFI) have always been connected in vision and our work has complemented each other. This year we adjusted each entity so they could work together better, expanded AHTAFI's scope to allow for grant making to IHM and other organizations devoted to increasing access to the arts for people with disabilities, and made it easier for each to receive donations and gifts.

Inspiring Hope Properties LLC (IHP) was created in 2020 as well. IHP purchased the Lifetime Eyecare Center in Middleton, WI for the purpose of preparing a place for the work of Inspiring Hope Ministries along with our nonprofit partner AHTAFI, and art business entrepreneur Alex Haunty of Inspiring Art by Alex!



Summer Camp 2020

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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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