Mission Statement

To enrich the quality of life in West Marin by providing diverse cultural, educational, and community services in a well-maintained, environmentally friendly facility.
Welcome to the Dance Palace Annual Report  
July 2019 - June 2020

What a year! From July 2019 to mid-March 2020, the Dance Palace held almost 1,000 activities—classes, conferences, weddings, theater and concert performances, memorials, meetings, a passel of children’s programs and more.

Then came COVID-19, and on March 13th, the Dance Palace closed its doors for the first time in its 49-year history. But closing the doors did not mean we stopped working; as always, we adapted to serve our community. Our first step was to locally distribute over 400 masks! We continue to take new steps every day by adding more online classes, literary presentations, concerts, art shows, and much more.

Seven months on, our Board, Staff and Committees (The Dance Palace Team!) are on track, moving smoothly ahead with the planning and work necessary to get past COVID-19 and into economic recovery.

Your support, and the investment made by you—our community—in the Dance Palace has been, and continues to be, critical for every step along the way.

Thank you for joining us on this journey. None of it happens without you.

Elizabeth Zarlengo  
Board President

Bonnie Guttman  
Executive Director
THE DANCE PALACE AT 49 . . .
AND COUNTING

Bonnie Guttman, Executive Director

My office, just off the main lobby of the Dance Palace, is right in the middle of all the action. Since becoming Executive Director, I’ve watched a parade of people come through the building: from front door to back; Church Space to Main Hall; lobby to kitchen; or straight to the office window. I’ve seen the babies and the seniors, collected the after school kids off the bus and watched the adult yoga students arrive, seen people wander in and enjoy the art—one on any given day, I’ve seen our community come through our doors, to visit us in this space. From my small (and admittedly cluttered) office, I’ve enjoyed meeting folks whose visits, phone calls, emails, and donations were the surest sign I could have of this community’s commitment to the Dance Palace.

None of this is surprising, of course. The Dance Palace belongs to all of us—the originals who built it, the newcomers who venture in out of curiosity, and those who were first brought here when they were barely able to walk. There’s a LOT of us who make up the Dance Palace community; and I think it’s possible that if we all linked arms we could, quite easily, enclose the entire property in a giant bear hug.

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Future plans for more exciting virtual events include two great parties: our all-new online Community Awards Banquet in March 2021 and of course, our big 50th anniversary next year. We’re looking forward to that celebration and beyond . . . . We are already thinking about our next 50 years and how we plan to be here with you.

We invite you to continue reading to learn about your community center and how our last fiscal year went . . .

The Dance Palace is proud to welcome four outstanding new board members. They bring a wealth of experience in the non-profit world and a variety of skills and experience in their professional lives.

Barbara Jay
Ken Otter
Warren Sattler
Rebecca Rishell
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DANCING WITH THE DANCE PALACE

The Community Awards Banquet

The Community Awards Banquet is the Dance Palace’s annual fundraiser and tribute to local heroes who have made a difference in our community through their years of volunteerism and service. This year’s banquet honoring Wendy Friefeld (above left) and Jim & Julie Monson (above right) was a glorious, heartwarming event that raised a record amount from generous sponsors and attendees.

COMMUNITY INVESTING IN COMMUNITY

The Dance Palace gratefully acknowledges all our volunteers, business and in-kind sponsors, and donors.

VOLUNTEERS
Doug Apatow
Peggy Bannan
Joe Blumenthal
Mo Blumenthal
Sydne Bortel
Sheila Bryant
Larry Brown
Christa Burgoyne
Jim Campe
Olga Chavarría
Melissa Claire
Lena Clark
Rich Clarke
Daniel Cordrey
Christine Cordero
Michelle Davis
Peggy Day
Cathleen Dorinson
Ken Eichstaedt
Ann Emanuels
Ann Faught
Elizabeth Fenwick
Jon Fernandez
Wendy Friefeld
Leah Fritts
Ann Gessert
Lee Giammona

Jill Gilbert
Peter Gradjansky
Lynn Hinck
Martha Howard
Cynthia Harland
Doug Haner
Nancy Hemmingway
Susannah Henderson
Anilise Hyllmon
Gary Ireland
Pam Ishizaka
Barbara Jay
Katie Jay
Bob Johnston
Cooper Jolley
Sally Jones
Rosie Kaufman
Tom Kent
Heidi Koenig
Gina Kutchins
Sam Levin
Meg Linden
Barry Linder
Linda Linder
Kathryn Lino
Kerry Livingston
Bobbi Loeb
Catherine Lucas
Jennifer McFarland
Kay McMahon
Bruce Mitchell
Tony Moore
Laura Natkins
Susan Nelson
Ken Otter
Claire Peaslee
Jim Pellegrin
Audrey Piper
Todd Plummer
Carlos Porrata
Judy Prokupek
Cathy Richards
Rebecca Rishell
Denise Rocco-Zilber
Carla Ruff
Warren Sattler
Wendy Schwartz
Jane Stringer
Mark Sutker
Bonnie Tank
Michael Taylor
Kim Thompson
Sue Van Der Wal
Robin White
Sonja Williams
Elizabeth Zarlinger
Scoby Zook

BUSINESS PARTNERS
Art Rogers Photography
Black Heron Inn
Bovine Bakery
City Sewer Pumping
Coastal Health Alliance
Common Sense
Business Solutions, Inc.
Hog Island Oyster Company
Horizon Cable TV, Inc.
Ken & Sam Levin
Window Cleaning
KWMR
Law Offices of Martha Howard and Dakota Whitney
Lex Ultima
Side Street Kitchen
Station House Cafe
Toby’s Feed Barn

DONORS
Anonymous (10)
Myn Adess & James O’Hara
After School Art
Mark & Laura Alderdice
Terry & Dolly Aleshire
Lars Anderson
Sonja Anderson
West Marin School’s GSA student club enlivened the Dance Palace sidewalk with chalk art to celebrate LGBTQI+ Pride Month.
# DANCE PALACE
## PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT
### FY19-20

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