



Fund for the Arts

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Mr. John Hays
President
Abel Construction Company Inc.
3401 Bashford Avenue Court
Louisville, KY 40218

Dear John,

First, let me say that it was an honor to serve as the 2016 Fund for the Arts Campaign Chair. Because of your leadership and the leadership of almost 200 companies, I am thrilled to announce that together, we raised \$8,749,453 for the arts in this community, including \$8,318,360 for the 2016 Campaign, surpassing our goal of \$8.3 million.

This is only possible because of your support and the outstanding leadership of Abel Construction Company Inc.'s workplace campaign chair, Leigh Ann Septer. Thank you for allowing Leigh Ann to work with us, to share expertise and build a stronger, more vibrant region alongside other community leaders.

This year, 8% of your employees invested in the arts and gave a total of \$984 to the Fund for the Arts 2016 Campaign. In addition, your company made a generous gift of \$1,000. Your efforts are vital to our success, and with your support, everyone here has access to the extraordinary power of the arts!

Your gift, along with gifts from 20,000 donors, helps to bring art into:

- Schools to help inspire student achievement: *400,000 student experiences in 396 schools*
- Neighborhoods to bring people together: *25 libraries, 23 parks, 145 zip codes*
- At-risk communities to provide new opportunities: *26 community centers*

Arts are good for business and Fund for the Arts is uniquely positioned to help companies attract and retain talent, engage employees and foster creative thinking. The Fund is committed to being a year-round partner, helping you to achieve your business goals and engage your employees.

Be sure to download our free mobile app, "Louisville Arts Link", to your iOS device to see the extensive calendar of everything our arts community has to offer. You can buy tickets through the app, and be sure to check out your exclusive donor benefits by clicking through to the ArtsCard tab. Powered by Republic Bank, this new app is our gift to you, the community, and our guests.

Thank you for what you do; this community would not be as dynamic, as compassionate, as educated or as creative, without your generous support.

Sincerely,

Steve Trager
2016 Fund for the Arts Campaign Chair
Chairman & CEO, Republic Bank

CC: Leigh Ann Septer