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Arts Community Unites through Light to Kick off 2020 ArtsWave Campaign

CINCINNATI (January 27, 2020) With less than a week to go, ArtsWave will kick off the nation's largest annual community arts fundraising drive by illuminating 50+ arts destinations across our region with celebratory and unifying luminaria.

From 7 to 10 p.m. on January 30, visit popular arts and culture venues to see specially designed luminaria that will mark a path to their entrances. A fleet of drones will be sent to capture aerial video of the locations, and the arts sector will be communicating via social media using the hashtag #ArtsUnite.

Arts organizations that receive project and operating support through the ArtsWave Campaign are excited to be part of a collective 2020 kick off. Over the past 70 years, ArtsWave has raised and invested \$340 million for the arts throughout the Cincinnati region, which includes 15 counties in Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana. The ArtsWave Campaign provides indispensable funding for a portion of operating budgets for 44 arts organizations as well as many more project grants that bring the community together through the arts. In total, ArtsWave funding benefits more than 100 projects and organizations every year.

Cincinnati Art Museum's Louis and Louise Dieterle Nippert Director Cameron Kitchin, explains the annual campaign's importance: "Community investment made by ArtsWave is critically important to the Art Museum's impact and reach on arts education and the vitality of our city — this funding is vital."

Brendon Cull, Chief Operating Officer of the Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber, the organization that produced BLINK® notes, "Without ArtsWave, BLINK wouldn't have been able to put Cincinnati on the map, lighting up our region for our residents and the world to see."

Jill McGruder, Chief Marketing Officer of Western & Southern and the 2020 ArtsWave Campaign Chair, adds, "All together, this campaign will enable nearly half a million arts

experiences for youth and continue to build momentum for a prosperous, inclusive future for all our region's residents. Join us as we illuminate great things this year."

Organizations that will be illuminated for the ArtsWave Kick Off during the night of January 30 include:

- Art Academy of Cincinnati
 1212 Jackson Street, Cincinnati, OH 45202
- ArtsConnect
 Springfield Township Community Arts Center, 9158 Winton Road, Building B, Cincinnati, OH 45231
- ArtsWave, 20 E. Central Parkway, Suite 100, Cincinnati, OH 45202
- ArtWorks, 20 E. Central Parkway, Suite 100, Cincinnati, OH 45202
- ArtWorks Camp Washington Mural Campy Washington 3025 Colerain Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45231
- Artworks College Hill Mural A Perfect Day in College Hill 6060 Hamilton Ave.,
 Cincinnati, OH, 45208
- Artworks O'Bryonville Mural Daybreak 2114 Madison Road, Cincinnati, OH 45208
- Artworks Queensgate Mural Guardians of the City 1011 W. 8th Street, Cincinnati, OH 45203
- ArtWorks Silverton Mural All in this Story Together 6906 Plainfield Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45236
- ArtWorks Springfield Township Mural Creatress 9176 Winton Rd. 6906
 Plainfield Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45236
- Baker Hunt Arts & Cultural Center,
 620 Greenup Street, Covington, KY 41011
- The Barn (Woman's Art Club Cultural Center)
 6980 Cambridge Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45227
- Behringer-Crawford Museum
 1600 Montague Road, Covington, KY 41011
- Bi-Okoto Drum and Dance Theatre
 Bi-Okoto Cultural Center, 5601 Montgomery Road, Cincinnati, OH 45213
- The Carnegie
 1028 Scott Blvd, Covington, KY 41011
- The Carnegie Center of Columbia Tusculum 3738 Eastern Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45226
- Central Business District Arts Megapath Contemporary Arts Center, Aronoff Center for the Arts, and arts around Fountain Square/3CDC
- The Children's Theatre of Cincinnati 4015 Red Bank Road, Cincinnati, OH 45227
- Cincinnati Arts Association at Aronoff Center for the Arts, 650 Walnut Street, Cincinnati, OH 45202
- Cincinnati Arts Association at Music Hall, 1241 Elm St., Cincinnati, OH 45202
- Cincinnati Art Museum
 953 Eden Park Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45202
- Cincinnati Ballet

- 1555 Central Parkway, Cincinnati, OH 45214
- Cincinnati Landmark Productions at Warsaw Federal Incline Theater, 801 Matson Place, Cincinnati, OH 45204
- Cincinnati Landmark Productions at Covedale Center for the Performing Arts, 4990 Glenway Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45238
- Cincinnati Landmark Productions at Madcap Education Center 3064 Harrison Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45211
- Cincinnati Museum Center
 1301 Western Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45203
- Cincinnati Music Accelerator
 33 E 13th Street, Cincinnati, OH 45202
- Cincinnati Opera at Music Hall, 1241 Elm St., Cincinnati, OH 45202
- Cincinnati Playhouse in the Park
 962 Mt. Adams Circle, Cincinnati, OH 45202
- Cincinnati Pops Orchestra at Music Hall, 1241 Elm St., Cincinnati, OH 45202
- Cincinnati Shakespeare Company
 Otto M. Budig Theater, 1195 Elm Street, Cincinnati, OH 45202
- Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra at Music Hall, 1241 Elm St., Cincinnati, OH 45202
- City Gospel Mission
 1805 Dalton Ave., Cincinnati OH 45214
- Clifton Cultural Arts Center
 2728 Short Vine Street, Cincinnati OH, 45219
- Contemporary Arts Center
 44 East 6th Street, Cincinnati, OH 45202
- Elementz, 1640 Race Street, Cincinnati, OH 45202
- Ensemble Theatre Cincinnati
 1127 Vine Street, Cincinnati, OH 45202
- Fitton Center for Creative Arts
 - 101 South Monument Avenue, Hamilton, OH 45011
- Friends of Music Hall, 1241 Elm St., Cincinnati, OH 45202
- Kennedy Heights Arts Center
 6546 Montgomery Road, Cincinnati, OH 45213
- Kennedy Heights Arts Center Lindner Annex 6620 Montgomery Road, Unit 2 Cincinnati, OH 45213
- Know Theatre of Cincinnati
 1120 Jackson Street, Cincinnati, OH 45202
- Learning Through Art, Inc.
 St Alovsius 4721 Reading Road St
 - St. Aloysius, 4721 Reading Road, Suite 310, Cincinnati, OH 45237
- Manifest Creative Research Gallery 2727 Woodburn Ave, Cincinnati, OH 45206
- Manifest Drawing Center 656 E McMillan Street Cincinnati, OH 45206
- The May Festival at Music Hall, 1241 Elm St., Cincinnati, OH 45202
- Melodic Connections at Melodic Connections Studio, 6940 Plainfield Road, Cincinnati, OH 45236

- Memorial Hall
 1225 Elm Street, Cincinnati, OH 45202
- National Underground Railroad Freedom Center, 50 Freedom Way Cincinnati, OH 45202
- Nrityarpana School of Performing Arts (NSPA)
 9076 Cox Road, West Chester Twp., OH 45011
- Oxford Community Arts Center
 10 South College Ave, Oxford OH 45056
- OTR Arts Megapath Music Hall (Cincinnati Arts Association, Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra, Cincinnati Pops Orchestra, Cincinnati Ballet, Cincinnati Opera, The May Festival, Friends of Music Hall), Memorial Hall/3CDC, Washington Park arts/3CDC, Cincinnati Shakespeare Company, Ensemble Theatre, School for Creative and Performing Arts, Art Academy of Cincinnati, Know Theatre of Cincinnati, Artworks, ArtsWave)
- Pyramid Hill Sculpture Park & Museum
 1763 Hamilton Cleves Road, Hamilton, OH 45013
- School for Creative and Performing Arts
 108 W Central Pkwy, Cincinnati, OH 45202
- Taft Museum of Art 316 Pike Street, Cincinnati, OH 45202
- Visionaries + Voices
 3841 Spring Grove Ave, Cincinnati, OH 45223
- Wave Pool 2940 Colerain Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45225
- Weston Art Gallery
 650 Walnut Street, Cincinnati, OH 45202
- Women Writing for (a) Change
 6906 Plainfield Rd, Cincinnati, OH 45236
- Wyoming Fine Arts Center
 322 Wyoming Ave., Wyoming, OH 45215

For more information on where to visit January 30, go to <u>artswave.org/artsunite</u>. To support the 2020 ArtsWave Community Campaign, visit <u>artswave.org/give</u>. Follow the Campaign on social media, @ArtsWave and #ArtsUnite, #BacktheArts #ForwardtheFuture #ArtsWaveDays and #CincySings.

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About ArtsWave:

ArtsWave, a nonprofit serving the Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky Region, is the engine for the arts. Its roots stem back to the late 1920s when the Cincinnati Taft family provided initial investment matched by community support. In the late 1940s, it evolved to become the first united arts fund in the nation and in the mid-1970s, the first organization to initiate workplace giving for the arts. ArtsWave continues to innovate while leading, as illustrated by its No. 1 rank nationally in community arts fundraising; coordination of a sector-wide Blueprint for Collective Action; piloting of new technologies to maximize arts engagement; and development of resources for the arts.

Strong funding for the arts has allowed Cincinnati's arts and culture scene to become a national draw and regional asset, creating a wave of economic and community benefits. Each year, ArtsWave supports the work of over 100 arts organizations, school outreach programs, festivals, community centers, neighborhoods and various collaborations through impact-based grants. In 2019, ArtsWave raised \$12,355,136 for the region's arts, marking its sixth year in a row surpassing the milestone of \$12 million. ArtsWave remains the largest community campaign for the arts throughout the country, both in total contributions and number of donors. The 2020 ArtsWave Campaign runs from January 30 through April 30, 2020.

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