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***Happy Holidays!***

As we count down to the holidays and the end of the year, we want to extend our thanks to all Roundtable members. Your support over the past year has contributed to exciting accomplishments for the Cincinnati region, including these accolades:

- Top 20 Most Arts Vibrant Regions — SMU
- #1 in the nation for street art — USA Today
- One of three finalists to host the Sundance Film festival

**In this newsletter:**

- Find last minute holiday gift ideas for your favorite arts lover.
- Look back at exclusive Roundtable events from the fall.
- Look ahead to inspiring events waiting for you this winter and spring.





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**Looking Back at Fall**

The Roundtable kicked off its season at the Weston Art Gallery on October 1 with a special viewing of two captivating exhibitions, "**Memory Fields**" and "**Rachael Banks:**

**The Trail of the Dead."** Both exhibitions were part of FotoFocus' Biennial and showcased poignant works by talented local women artists.

Katherine Ryckman Siegwarth, executive director of FotoFocus, shared exciting updates about the organization's future, and Sso-Rha Kang, exhibition curator at The Carnegie, offered insights into "Memory Fields."

Last month, Roundtable members got a look at **ArtWorks' new digs** in Walnut Hills before its grand opening!

In its newly expanded HQ, ArtWorks will be able to house all its programs under one roof. CEO **Colleen Houston** led the Roundtable on a tour of the space, and guest artists **Kathryne Gardette** and **Radha Lakshmi** showed us the surrounding neighborhood, including the murals they designed: the [Gilbert Avenue Gateway Mural](#) and the [Lotus Mandala](#).

Ellie, an ArtWorks apprentice, shared what it was like to be part of the creation process on such a large scale. The ArtWorks team has created more than 300 murals around the region, leading to Cincinnati's #1 ranking by USA Today for street art.

Check out pictures from the event below:



[See Photos](#)



Roundtable Steering Committee members put on hard hats and explored FotoFocus' future (and first) home with executive director Katherine Ryckman Siegwarth!

We look forward to celebrating FotoFocus' opening this fall with members of the Women's Leadership Roundtable!

## Looking Ahead to 2025

**February 4 | The 2025 ArtsWave Campaign Kickoff**  
**8:30-10 a.m.**

Join us for the kickoff of the 2025 campaign led by Mel Gravely, Chairman of Triversity Construction. Mel will announce this year's campaign goal in the beautiful new education space at the **Cincinnati Art Museum**. Breakfast and inspiring words will be served!

**April 28 | Annual Women's Leadership Symposium**  
**5-7:30 p.m.**

Discover the intersection of dance and the written word at the 2025 Women's Leadership Symposium! Join the **Cincinnati Ballet**, guest choreographer **Annabelle Lopez Ochoa** and a host of other creative women in the newly renovated **Mercantile Library**.



**Are you a Visionary?**



We honor those who include ArtsWave as a beneficiary of their Will, Trust, IRA, Donor Advised Fund or other remaining assets as **Visionaries** who will pass our vibrant arts infused community onto the next generation. Let us know if we can include you in this growing group or if you would like to learn more!

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We invite you to join the ArtsWave [Women's Leadership Roundtable Facebook page](#) and encourage you to share arts events, articles and pictures. We use this page to connect with each other more often, both at our arts events and around our communities.

We also hope you stay connected with ArtsWave on our primary [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [TikTok](#) and [LinkedIn](#) accounts.

If you have not renewed your membership, or know someone who would like to join, please contact [lisa.wolter@artswave.org](mailto:lisa.wolter@artswave.org) for more information.

**On behalf of the Women's Leadership Roundtable Steering Committee, thank you for your support and have a safe and wonderful holiday with family and friends. See you in 2025!**

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