

How to Support Local Artists

How can I help?

If you're like us, today's environment has had us asking that question a lot recently. As we come together in the face of this catastrophe, figuring out the best way to make a difference is a daunting task. Luckily, a variety of organizations are already finding ways we can work together for our communities. In this newsletter, we're highlighting some of the amazing resources to support artists in the Puget Sound region.

Advice from Our Friend Michelle Bates:

In a recent edition of photographer Michelle Bates' newsletter, she has included a plethora of resources related to supporting each other in this crazy time. We are quoting her newsletter directly below, and encourage you to subscribe to it and follow her on Facebook.

"RESOURCES:

www.seattle.gov/mayor/covid-19 & handbook.kingcountycreative.com

These two sites have a ton of links, including some relevant to those outside Seattle & King County. For businesses, artists, employees, for food support, rent issues, internet access, health access, home education info and much more.

This spreadsheet lists opportunities by artist discipline, to help weed through them all: docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1pK-4LuZOkvzlr95XeGYPW6KWNfCXzms7t8QuqVT3cq4/htmlview

King County 4Culture Cultural Relief Fund

\$1 million available: www.4culture.org/grants-artist-calls/cultural-relief-fund and more resources at www.4culture.org/covid-19-response

Also a handbook full of info: handbook.kingcountycreative.com

Artist Trust COVID Relief Fund & Resources:

Grants from \$500-\$5000 available. artisttrust.org/announcing-the-covid-19-artist-trust-relief-fund

And, as usual AT has extensive local and national resources for individual artists in WA state.

Ijeoma Oluo's Artist Relief Fund - she was out there first and is still rolling - donate or apply for assistance (it's at over \$250,000 and giving the money out as fast as they can): www.gofundme.com/f/for-artists

Seattle Foundation has a fund you can donate to that is supporting lots of other groups who are doing the work and providing direct funding to groups and individuals: www.seattlefoundation.org/communityimpact/civic-leadership/covid-19-response-fund

Our dear **Moisture Festival**, like almost every arts organization, has had the bottom drop out. Donate if you feel so inclined and are invested in it returning: moisturefestival.org or charity.gofundme.com/o/en/campaign/save-moisture-festival/moisturefestival

Check out videos from years past on [Moisture Festival's YouTube channel](#)"

Vashon Events - Streaming Information and so much more!

Firstly, if you aren't already subscribed to the Vashon Events newsletter, [you should get on that right away!](#)

In their recent newsletter, they provided incredible resources to streaming events, community resource guides, online classes, business information and so much more. [Visit their website](#) for that information and updates!

Help SMASH help the music community!

Our friends at SMASH Seattle have done a tremendous job working and thinking proactively to support local music and musicians.

[Visit their website](#) to see how you can lend a hand today!

Did you find this information helpful? Do you have a recommendation for us to include in next week's letter? Are you an artist offering online classes or events? Please reach out to us at info@openspacevashon.com to let us know what you're thinking... we're here to help!

LOVE for Island Favorite *Publish the Quest*



For almost two decades, Jacob Bain & The Publish Quest have incorporated a plethora of Afro-beat elements and folk/rock/alternative leanings into their distinctly Puget sound. They began their global journey with local roots, and are a can't-miss performance, especially right here on Vashon. Unfortunately, their April 4th performance at Open Space was cancelled due to COVID-19.

Luckily, that doesn't mean you have to miss out!

Please consider [visiting their website](#), [their Facebook Page](#), and listening to and sharing their tunes on Spotify!



Music that breaks down walls | Publish the Quest | TEDxSeattle



Online Classes Keep Zoomin'

These online classes will keep get you off the couch and moving!

Being at home doesn't mean you can't go out and learn something new. Reconnect and move by joining these online classes, including pilates, meditation, aerial, and yoga (with potentially more on the way!)

Current Online Instructors Include:

- [HERE Yoga with Ronly Blau](#)
- [Pilates and Aerial with Ester Edelman](#)



Contact Esther by email
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In the name of spring cleaning, we are working on updating the classes section of our website to be as accurate and updated as possible. That includes online classes! Click the button below to see a list of online classes, and check back frequently for updates.

[SEE CLASSES](#)

All April and May Events are Cancelled or Postponed

Due to recent public health orders and guidelines, all events at Open Space through April and May are cancelled or postponed. Please read below for a list, and visit our [COVID-19 info page](#) for more details.

- 4/4 - Publish the Quest
- 4/8 - ORBIT Second Saturday
- 4/25 - Shook Twins (rescheduled for 8/15/2020)
- 5/02 - Vashon Heritage Museum Fundraiser
- 5/09 - Burlesco Notturmo Bliss
- 5/14 - UMO Vic
- 5/23 - ORBIT Teen Night
- 5/27 - VCSF Scholarship Night
- 5/29-5/30 - ShakesKids! Romeo and Juliet
- 5/31 - Church

All classes are cancelled in the Open Space facility through April and May





Photo by Jeremy Center

Our Favorite Fools

Looking back at some of our favorite funny people to perform physical comedy at Open Space

In celebration of April Fool's Day, we put together a compilation of clowns who have performed or taught at Open Space. We had a BLAST going through these artist websites in order to put this post together, we think you will too! Click below for a good chuckle.

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#FlashbackFriday

Each Friday, we are featuring a blast from the past. Today's photo was taken in what is now the Atrium, looking into the Gallery (below) and Tahoma Room (above) during the 2017 renovation of the space.



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