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## **COMMUNITY IMPACT**

## **TAB Arts Weekend Film Camp**

Sunny Gravely Foushee

**Executive Director** 



TAB Arts Center Non Profit Weekend Film Camp begins, January 14th-March 26th. Only on weekends from 12:00pm-3:00pm on Saturdays and 1:30pm-3:30pm on Sundays. The film camp is \$25 per month, per child, or a \$75 one time fee. Ages 7-17 welcome! Students learn all about the film industry, acting, drama, cameras, and more! We acknowledge the NC Arts Council for awarding TAB Arts Center for the "Spark the Arts" grant to fund the film camp. This program gives youth an opportunity to learn more about the film and theater industry by working with professional instructors, cinematographers, actors/actresses, and writers to create a short film, written and directed by the instructor. We strive to give underserved youth an unforgettable experience by offering our camp at reduced rates of only \$25 per month. Nachela Knox from GoGetHer Productions and Angela Willams Tripp from Scrapmettle Entertainment Group will be our film instructors.





For the past five years, we have successfully completed a theatre and film camp for children and teens. This program has been in high demand, as parents and children have requested we extend this program throughout the school year. The participants and their parents realize the value of this camp and acknowledge there are no programs comparable in the school system. Our goal is to give students an opportunity to express themselves and find their voice through the arts. They will not only get exposure to the arts, but they will learn about a variety of careers in the film and theatre industry. The weekend film camp will focus on issues raised by the participants in the program. Instructors will probe students about daily challenges they face and conquer. We will employ artists and instructors who are experts in their field to teach creative writing, film production, set design and acting. The project will be at a variety of sites in Northeast Greensboro. We are partnering with organizations to bring instruction to existing students from our summer camp, and new students located in the surrounding areas of the locations mentioned. The after school program will begin in the beginning of the 2022-2023 Guilford County Public School Year, and will last throughout the first semester. TAB Arts Center received a \$11,500 grant for their weekend film camp from the North Carolina Arts Council - Sparks the Arts Grants 2022-23, and \$20,000 grant from Creative GSO. Both grants will be used to fund artists, purchase supplies, equipment, and materials for the program.

Monthly Updates

"Artist of the Month"

Jordan Robinson

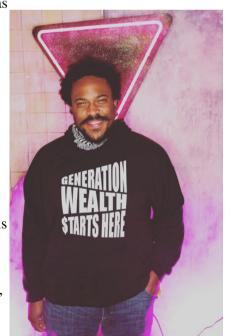
Artist & TAB Arts Board of Director



TAB Arts Center Non Profit "Artist of the Month" is Jordan T. Robinson. Jordan is a North Carolina-based artist and emerging curator, who runs a creative services brand to help the community. Originating from New Rochelle, New York, he and his family moved to Greensboro, NC where he was exposed to the arts at an early age. Thanks to the support he received from his family, Robinson cultivated a love for the Arts that later inspired him to attend North Carolina A&T State University, where he obtained his degree in Media Design. Soon after, Robinson enrolled in Savanna College of Art & Design to further the administrative skill sets he developed from producing exhibitions independently.

During his undergraduate years, got more involved with handling the administrative tasks involved in producing an exhibition for the art department, while producing work himself as an artist. After participating and setting up a number of shows, one of Robinson's mentors encouraged him to pursue a Master's in Arts Administration, which was a balance for his passion of helping people, particularly other artists, and creativity. During this time, Robinson often collaborated with other art institutions as he was once an art teacher at the African-American Atelier, a curatorial assistant at GreenHill NC, and frequently shown in the student exhibitions at the Center for Visual Artists. He had also shown at other universities such as the Big SURS exhibition, held in High Point University every few years. Robinson now uses his education and expertise in both Design and the business of Design to help other creatives establish their career through creative productions aimed at serving the diverse and growing communities. Mr. Robinson has had some artwork from his residency at Creative Greensboro be on display at the visual art exchange in Raleigh.

His Artist Statement: Balance is a focus I have in general relating to culture, social issues, faith, behavior, and environment as I reflect on external and internal struggles. There are two currently ongoing concepts in my work focusing on creation, the creative process, and identity. Identity is an elusive concept to me. Your identity helps others recognize you, however, it also affects your destiny. Similar to the predestine debate, your identity can help or hurt your future. This series illustrates identity's influences in human behavior and reinvestigates how much we have control over our lives.



To learn more about Jordan Robinson, please visit his website at



# WHAT'S NEW?

## "New Announcements"

TAB Arts Center Non Profit

#### **GRANTS**

We've been granted operational funds from Creative Greensboro of \$20,000! TAB Arts Center Non Profit is supported, in part, by funding from the City of Greensboro and Creative Greensboro, the city's office for arts & culture."

#### **PROGRAMS**

We are participating in the ArtsGreensboro's Non Profit Sustainability Cohort Program for 5 years. Also, we a part of Arts Greensboro's Cohort for Minority Non Profits.

#### **EXHIBITS**

Call for Female Artists: We are searching for Female Visual Artists only, such as sculptors, painters, collage artists, mixed media, etc. We have been chosen to curate an exhibit for Triad Stage for Women's History Month. We'd love to have 12-13 artists as a part of the exhibit. Your artwork will be located up and downstairs at Triad Stage. We are partnering with Triad Stage to bring an exhibit about Women's Resilience for Women's History Month in March! Deadline to apply is Wednesday, February 15th.



To learn more information about TAB Arts Center Non Profit please visit tabartscenter.org

Interests for "Female Artists Call" can be accepted by contacting TAB Arts Center Non Profit at

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **Local Community Events:**

"New Year, New Me"

These local events in Greensboro are demonstrating love & passion through the Arts



#### February 4-March 26: TAB Arts Weekend Film Camp

When: Every weekend from February 4, 2023 to March 26, 2023 from 12 pm-3pm on Saturdays and 1:30pm-3:30pm on Sundays

Where: Saturdays at Elsewhere 606 S. Elm St, Greensboro, NC 27406 and Sundays at Peeler Recreation Center 1300 Sykes Ave. Greensboro, NC 27405

Description: The after school film camp will focus on issues raised by the participants in the program. Instructors will probe students about daily challenges they face and conquer. We will employ artists and instructors who are experts in their field to teach creative writing, film production, set design and acting. Admission costs \$25 per month or a one-time fee of \$75 for TAB Film Camp participants. Register for TAB Arts Weekend Film Camp at

www.TABArtsWeekend.eventbrite.com or tabartscenter.org

#### February 7-28: Building an Acrylic Painting Practice with Jennifer Donley

When: Tuesday, Feb. 7-28, 2023, 10:00 AM- 11:30 AM

Where: Creative Aging Network classes are held at the CAN-NC Campus 2400 Summit Ave. Greensboro, NC 27405 Description: \$25 per class or \$90/month (includes all supplies and instruction) Regular practice is the best way to build skills and gain confidence. Join teaching artist, Jennifer Donley, as she shares her acrylic painting practice every week. Students will complete a small acrylic painting in each session while focusing on a new technique or style. Working mainly from life, students will study color, contrast, light sources and brushwork and watch their painting skills grow! Since we are all always learning, beginners and all levels are welcome! Sign up for one or for all!

#### February 16: Paint & Sip at Spare Time

When: Every 3rd Thursday of the month. Thursday, February 16, 2023 6:00 pm-8:00 pm

Where: 5502 Hornaday Rd. Greensboro, NC

Description: On the 3rd Thursday of every month from 6PM - 8PM Spare Time hosts Paint & Sip. \$35 per person includes

one glass of wine, canvas, paint and paintbrushes led by a local artist.

Email emoyd@bowlne.com to guarantee your space!

To learn more information visit https://www.sparetimeentertainment.com/greensboro/

#### February 19: Hope for Hunger 2023: A Multi-Cultural Dance Festival

When: Feb. 19, 2023 2:00 - 4:00 P.M.

Where: Carolina Theatre 310 S. Greene St. Greensboro, NC 27401

Description: Hope Fest 4 Hunger is a **FREE**, Multi-Cultural Dance Festival to benefit A Simple Gesture & Greensboro Urban Ministry on Feb. 19th from 2-4 pm at the beautiful, historical Carolina Theatre in downtown Greensboro. This event will directly impact so many in our community facing food insecurities, while also celebrating the vast diversity in Guilford County. 100% of all proceeds will stay local to help with the growing hunger issues affecting so many of our neighbors. Please come be part of this wonderful community event and make sure to invite friends to join in the fun!



### **GIVING BACK**

# TAB Arts Presents Avant-Garde Gala

Aaron Taylor + Sharon Long-Stokes

**Fundraising Committee Chairs** 

TAB Arts Center Non Profit is working on their annual fundraiser for next year along with committee leaders Aaron Taylor and Sharon Long-Stokes. The objective is to provide a multicultural art experience to the citizens of North Carolina by honoring some of the states most innovative and talented community leaders under the backdrop of the TAB ART'S CENTER Nonprofit Organization. The goal is to create an annual unique artistic experience for North Carolina Residents while fostering state pride as we highlight some of the most promising artists in all facets of art displaying their special talents as well as the community at large.

Our solution is to create a viable homegrown annual fundraising event benefiting the TAB ART'S Nonprofit while exposing the best that the state has to offer in the arts. TAB will be presenting the "Avant-Garde Gala". This fundraiser will take place Saturday, August 26, 2023 from 6pm-9pm at Revolution Mill and will feature all forms of art from paintings, sculpture, fashion, music, and a silent auction to present art created from the kickoff! Participants will create their own creative look or have help creating their look for the Gala from some of North Carolina's talented artists. Awards will be presented to community leaders, and they will be recognized at the event on a yearly basis.

In July 2023, TAB will be hosting an "Arts in Action Kickoff "for the community to feel included in the upcoming fundraiser. The community and attendees of the fundraiser can bring any articles of clothing to be redesigned by some of Greensboro's local artists.

TAB Arts Center encourages the community and patrons to get involved by donating to our organization. We appreciate you!

TAB Arts Center Non Profit is committed to bringing diverse quality art programs to all ages of the community. Our goal is to encourage inter-generational interaction and engagement through visual and performing arts. Our art programs include art therapy for seniors and individuals suffering with Alzheimer's and Dementia, an annual Theater and Film Summer Camp for teens and youth, an after school program customized to reiterate information from core classes through the Arts, and virtual professional development courses and workshops for artists. We also work with under-served and marginalized neighborhoods to beautify and develop their communities through murals, sculpture gardens, and multi-disciplinary art programming.



## **SPONSOR HIGHLIGHT**

## "Sponsor of the Month"

Aaron Taylor

TAB Arts Board President

We Love You!

Aaron C. Taylor is the proud father of four young adults and four granddaughters. Aaron was born in Washington D.C. where he spent most of his formative years. Early on he was known as one of the cities prolific basketball players earning the nickname Ice T. He was one of the cities magnificent ten, the ten best players in the Washington metro area which include the great Adrian Dantley and Wilbur Thomas. Unfortunately, as with many young people in the metro area, he began to hang out with the wrong crowd and was heading down the wrong path in life. But because of his mother's work in the community as a community leader, he was introduced to someone who would change his path in life.

Meeting Mary Frances Berry, the chair of the United States commission on civil rights, would change his life. She enrolled him in Howard University's upward bound program, helped him get into college, and followed him thru his entire educational endeavor, finally giving him a position on the Civil Rights commission. Aaron went on to attend Howard and Antioch University. After finishing his education, he held many community-oriented positions from across the country such as Director of P.S.I. Incorporated in which he worked with Beth Abramovich and Mary Frances Berry to help get major laws implemented for developmentally disabled children and adults. He then moved to Harlem New York where he worked as a community organizer for the New York Communities for Change, eventually becoming executive director, helping New York communities build community power. After having his first child, Aaron moved to Los Angeles California where he took over as Executive Director of the Fair Housing for Children program, Fair Housing Foundation and he helped forge laws for discrimination against children, working with city and state government officials, including the honorable Hillary Clinton.



Because of his wife's father's terminal illness, Aaron then moved to West Virginia where he was asked to start the first free clinic in the state of West Virginia. Aaron received the award, the five points of light, from then President George W. Bush. He has also worked in the city of Cleveland Ohio while his wife, Dr. Linda M. Taylor, was doing her Emergency Medicine residency, as the director of the community organizing organization W.E.C.O., where he served as its Executive Director. In this role, he helped on the mayoral campaign for the cities second African American Mayor, the honorable Mike White.

Presently, Aaron helps his wife Dr. Linda M. Taylor with her urgent care facilities located in Siler City and Randleman, North Carolina and soon in Pittsboro, North Carolina. He also has interest in several Real-estate projects around the triad. Aaron has served on many boards of directors in all the fore mentioned cities and presently serves as President of the Board of Directors of the TAB Arts Center.

# CALL TO ACTION



# **Ways to Give:**

Online Donations:

tabartscenter.org

Mail Donations:

1020 W. Gate City Blvd.

Greensboro, NC 27403

**Cash App Donations:** 

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