

Earthseed, Undergrowth, and Afterlife
ArtSeed 2024 Annual Outline of Activities Report

PEOPLE (1): YEAR-ROUND PROGRAMS AND BEHIND-THE-SCENES SUPPORT:

- **Board of Directors:** **Edna Arterberry**, Bayview Hunters Point Community Liaison (2009 – Present); **William Bicknell**, Board President, Technology Consultant (1/13/17 – Present); **Kevin Quan**, Treasurer (2006 – Present); **Josefa Vaughan**, Interim Secretary (2000 – Present)
- **Staff:** **Josefa Vaughan**, Founder, Executive and Artistic Director, Lead Artist, Summer Intensive; **Aim Wonghirundacha**, Operations Analyst (8/1/24 – Present)
- **Outside Services:** **Santhi Perumal**, Bookkeeper (2/6/20 – 3/17/24); **Felix Gorrindo & Tierna Jensen**, Accountants – Tax, Crosby & Kaneda, CPAs LLP (2021 – Present); **Velvet Van Bueren**, Office Management (10/01/23 – Present); **Rachel Friedland**, Bookkeeper – Friedland + Associates (6/20/24 – Present); **Jill Carothers** (11/4/20 - 8/4/24) & **Rania Ghawi** (8/4/24 - Present), Wealth Manager – Waypoint Wealth Partners.
- **Advisors & Consultants:** Charles Boone, Matthew Boriskin, Tony Grant, Sabine Gysens, Jeff Hastings, Arwen Vaughan
- **Sponsors:** Budding Artist Foundation, Tina Cervin, David Gavrich, Tony and Caroline Grant
- **Interns:** Zoe Amburn, Priscilla Arrighi, Mary Jane D., Anna Maiorino, Linh H., Gloria L., Lelani W-B.
- **Mentoring Artists & Apprentices:** Josefa Vaughan mentored Zachery K., Haroun K., Maddy V.-M., and Amity G.
- **Youth Council:** Madeline “Maddy” V., Josefina “Fina” H., Amity G., Lelani W-B.
- **Other Volunteers / Associates / Consultants:** Adisa Sefic, Claudia Grubler, Oscar Arteta, Jennifer Spencer, Loreнна “Lori” Varkonyi, Jennifer Libonati, Jacob Gossard, Thor Hansen, Prakriti Shakya, Christine Jegan, Jackson Herren, Charles “Trey” Houston, Amanda J., Cole Feldman, Florentina Mocanu, Roman Walker, Kay Weber, Will Schier.

PEOPLE (2): SEASONAL PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

- **Summer Intensive** (Tides MakerSpace, July 8 – 13, 2024, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.):
Staff and Presenters (Total 5): **Josefa Vaughan**, ArtSeed Founder, Executive Director, Painting, oil pastel/watercolor, oil/canvas; **Kay Weber**, Art Director, Boys & Girls Clubs of SF, Tenderloin Clubhouse; **Matt Boris**, Painter, Emeritus Board President, ArtSeed IT Coordinator; **Nancy Lim**, Curator SFMOMA; **William Hall and Carla Hatley**, Actors, Budding Artist Foundation, “Collaborative Improvisation.”
Visiting Artist: **Kay Weber**, Art Director, Boys and Girls Club of SF, Tenderloin Clubhouse, Students: Nico Wang, Jasmina Reyes, Daniel R.
Students/Interns (Total 8): Amity G., Madeline “Maddy” V., Penelope B., Arlan W., Danielle H., Abigail H., Gloria L., Linh H.
Volunteers (Total 9): Loreнна “Lori” Varkonyi, Claudia Grubler, Jacob Gossard, Adisa Sefic, Kai Roath, William Schier, Tom Ferraiuolo, Aim Wonghirundacha, Prakriti Shakya
- **Art-at-thon:** 54 attendees; 18 artists; 7 musicians/performers; 16 volunteers; 13 fundraisers; 101 donors; 5 in-kind donors
Participants (Total 64): Aber Van Bueren, Adisa Sefic, Aim Wonghirundacha, Alan Perkins, Alex Salceanu, Angela Pine, Anna Maiorino, Annika H., Arlan W., Ava Jennings, Brad Maiorino, Brooke Jennings, Camelia Skikos, Charles “Trey” Houston, Chizu Houston, Christine Jegan, Christy Phadreas, Claudia Grubler, Cleo W., Cole Ferraiuolo, Davia Schendel, Edna Arterberry, Faizan (Muhammad), Florentina Mocanu, Haroun K., Jackson Herren, Jacob Galvan, Jennifer Libonati, Jennifer Spencer, Josefa Vaughan, Julia Nowicki, Kai Burch, Kai Roath, Kaia Nowicki, Kathy Chan, Kay Weber, Kenneth Miller, Lana Chan, Luned Palmer, Marta Percola, Matt Boris, Miguel Novelo, Ms King, Nadine De Franoux, Naomi Saria, Narda Gillespie, Nicole Garcia, Priscilla Arrighi, Roman Walker, Sabine Gysens, Sara Faizan, Saskia Lee, Seraphina Perkins, Sofia Salceanu, Steve Lenchef, Thor Hansen, Tom Ferraiuolo (simplyMüzing), Velvet Van Bueren, Will Schier, William Klingelhofer, William Scott, Xanthe Asher, Zachary K., Zya Be
- **18th Annual Presidio Exhibition: Earthseed, Undergrowth, and Afterlife** – July 13th – September 25th 2024 at China Brotsky and Seed Galleries.
Artists: Aberswyth van Bueren, Abigail H., Adonia Middleton, Aim Wonghirundacha, Alexandru Salceanu, Amity G, Andrea Brewster, Anna Maiorino, Annika H., Arlan W., Benita KC., Christine Jegan,

Citlali C., Danielle H., Dina Kharag, Edward “Redbird” Willie, French American International School, Glenn Berry, Gloria L., Jackson Herren, Jacob Gossard, Janet Walker, Josefa Vaughan, Joshua C., Kay Weber, Kristina Nelson, Lelani W-B., Linh H., Lori Varkonyi, Maddy V., Mary Jane D., Matt Boris, Max Gavrich, Natica Angilly, Paula C., Penelope B., Prakriti Shakya, Presidio Hill School, Priscilla Arrighi, Quincy F., Roman Walker, Roselyn D., Sabine Gysens, Sarabi H., Tom Ferraiuolo (simplyMüzing), Thomas Peter Graves, Thomas Vaughan, Thor Hansen, Charles “Trey” Houston, William Hall & Carla Hatley, William Scott, Ximena O., Zoe Amburn

PARTNERSHIPS / ASSOCIATES

- Tides Inc./Tides Converge (office rental since 2005, permanent art installations, Pop-up MakerSpace)
- The Point Studios at Hunters Point Shipyard (tenant since 1999)
- California Lawyers for the Arts
- Budding Artist Foundation
- Waypoint Wealth Partners, Annette Brinton (ArtSeed Investments Advisor)
- FreeWill
- San Francisco Department of Veterans Affairs ArtSeed Online ArtLab, Dan Evenhouse, Coordinator and Director of Community Based Programming Psychosocial Rehabilitation and Recovery Center (PRRC)
- Artist Kay Weber and Boys & Girls Club of SF Tenderloin Clubhouse (Spring Open Studios at Hunters Point Shipyard)
- Shipyard Trust for the Arts (Spring and Fall Open Studios)
- University of San Francisco, (Museum Studies Program)
- Life Learning Academy
- French American International School
- Presidio Hill School
- Only the Good Stuff Magazine by Andrea Bartley

PUBLIC EXHIBITIONS AND EVENTS BY ARTSEED

- **16th Annual Earth Week Art-a-thon** – Saturday, April 21, 2024, 12 – 6 p.m. Make art for yourself or for ArtSeed’s annual exhibition. Artists of all ages and levels of experience are invited to come together for a 6-hour art-and-music-making marathon. The Presidio’s Tides Converge, 1016 Torney Ave., San Francisco. 64 participants, 5 in-kind donations. Photo Documentation: <https://flic.kr/s/aHBqjBnieH>
- **ArtSeed Fine Arts Summer Intensive** – Weekdays, July 8 – 13, 2024, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m., Hands-on immersion in a full schedule with 5 live presenters who also produced packets <https://flic.kr/s/aHBqjBnieH> with lesson plans and video recordings. Instruction, designed for ages 8 to 18, included artist demonstrations, field trips, and lectures from a wide range of artistic expertise. Puppet and ink making, drawing, painting, and more! Photo Documentation: <https://flic.kr/s/aHBqjBzTAq>
- **18th Annual Presidio Exhibition “Earthseed, Undergrowth, and Afterlife”** – July 13th – September 25th, 2024 at China Brotsky and Seed Galleries. Opening Reception Saturday, July 13th, 2024, 3-5 p.m. Closing Reception Wednesday, July 13th, 2024, 5-7 p.m. Students and artists explored topics such as tiny world interventions, natural wonders, technology and stewardship, fashion and architecture, with whimsy and social critique. Teaching artists, guest presenters, and adult volunteers showed their art alongside youngsters and military veterans. Photo Documentation: <https://flic.kr/s/aHBqjBzTuK>
- **Spring Open Studio featuring Artist Kay Weber** – Saturday & Sunday, April 27th & 28th, 2024, 11 a.m. – 6 p.m. at Hunters Point Shipyard. Photo Documentation: <https://flic.kr/s/aHBqjBoutk>
- **Fall Open Studios featuring Artist William Scott** – Saturday & Sunday, October 19th & 20th, 2024, 11 a.m. – 6 p.m. at Hunters Point Shipyard. Photo Documentation: <https://flic.kr/s/aHBqjBPcA1>
- **Shipyard Holiday Show and Party** – Sunday, December 8th, 2024, 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. at Hunters Point Shipyard. Photo Documentation: <https://flic.kr/s/aHBqjBVkA3>

WORKSHOPS, PRESENTATIONS AND CLASSES BY ARTSEED

- **ArtSeed Veterans ArtLab Workshops** – Fridays, 1 – 2 p.m., San Francisco Department of Veterans Affairs Psychosocial Rehabilitation and Recovery Center, Online
- **ArtSeed Weekly Focus Groups** – Saturday, 2 – 4 p.m and Monday, 3:30 – 5 p.m. In-person mentorships; Tuesday, by appointment, online projects, show-and-tell, and art prompts

- **French American International School & Presidio Hill School All Day Workshop “Day of Action”**
- March 27, 2024. In-person at Tides MakerSpace

ARTSEED COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND STAFF DEVELOPMENT

- **Creative Work Fund Webinar.** 12 - 1 p.m. February 14. Online
- **Sara Kumar Playreading.** 10 - 1 p.m. February 17. Online
- **MightyCause Webinar.** 11 - 12 p.m. March 12. Online
- **Creative Work Fund Q&A.** 12 - 1 p.m. March 13. Online
- **Tides Crissy Field Walk.** 12 - 1 p.m. March 14. Tides Converge
- **Romanian Art Collective Exhibition Reception.** 5 - 7 p.m. March, 27. Tides Converge
- **Prumsodun Ok’s A Deepest Blue** 7 - 9 p.m. April 21. Dance Mission Theater
- **Edna Arterberry’s 80th Birthday.** 6 - 11 p.m. July 27. Elk’s Lodge San Francisco
- **Leonard Koren in conversation with Mariah Nielson.** 6 - 8 p.m. August 2. Transamerica Building
- **Flying Cloud Overnight Gathering.** August 18 - 19. Flying Cloud Russian River
- **Clark Tate Exhibition.** December 5. Ruth Asawa School of the Arts

FIELD TRIPS

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- **San Francisco Museum of Modern Art**
 - [Creative Growth: The House That Art Built](#) (featuring ArtSeed artist William Scott) Opening Reception, 5 - 8 p.m. April 4
 - [Kara Walker: Fortuna and the Immortality Garden](#) Opening Reception. 4 - 6 p.m. June 1
 - Fine Arts Summer Intensive Field Trip, with a tour from curator Nancy Lim.
- **Tides Converge**
- **Oakland Museum of California**
- **Lucasfilm Lobby & Yoda Fountain**
- **Walt Disney Family Museum**
- **Mary and Carter Thatcher Gallery at University of San Francisco.** 4 - 5 p.m. May 3
- **Hunters Point Shipyard Gallery for Stacey Carter’s Exhibition.** February 24.
- **Contemporary Jewish Museum.** November 29.

PUBLICITY and OTHER METRICS

- **Website:** 5,815 visitors viewed 11,031 pages from 1/1/2024 – 12/31/2024 (12 posts total).
- **Google Contacts:** 11,706
- **Mass emails:** (Constant Contact) 2,800 subscribers were sent 14 mass emails in 2024.
- **Social Media:** Facebook (513 followers), YouTube (24 subscribers), Pinterest (12 followers), Instagram (320 followers).
- **Postal mailers:** Letter of Appeal (3886 recipients), Miscellaneous (250 recipients)
- **Number of Artworks Made:** 280 (237 in the Exhibition)

OPERATIONS, FACILITIES & CAPACITY BUILDING

- **Board Meetings:** January 21, March 17, May 19, July 21, October 6, December 1
- **Hunters Point Shipyard Studio Overhaul:** Artist Residency launches collaborative mentorship program. Studio renovation by Roman Walker. Emphasis on young featured artists at Open Studios.
- **Pop-up Project ArtSeed MakerSpace at Tides:** ArtSeed activated a vacant space in Tides Converge, turning it into a MakerSpace and Black History month library.
- **Giving Tuesday:**
- **Total Annual Revenue:** \$81,305.19; **Total Personnel:** \$54,610.12 **Outside Services:** \$9,290.94; **Total Rent:** \$22,583.04. (Tides: \$19,307.04 + Point: \$3,276.); **Total Personnel/Outside services + Space rental:** \$86,484.10; **Other expenses:** \$27,658.37; **Total Expenses:** 114,142.47
- **DataArts (formerly Cultural Data Project CDP)** updated to 2018
- **GuideStar (online profile):** Platinum Seal of Transparency received in 2024

NEW AWARDS, FUNDRAISERS, AND DONORS

- **Staff/Volunteers Hours Annual Total: 6,767 - 2,080 paid = 4,687 volunteer hours**
(4427 in-person hours from sign-in sheets + 2,340 estimated remote hours: 18 core volunteers average 2.5 hours weekly from home)

- **Annual Art-a-thon (16th):** Total Donations: ticket sales, cash, checks and online gifts: \$12,224; Expense: \$552.51, Net: \$11,671.49.; 101 donors and 13 fundraisers; Prize in-kind gifts: \$4,720.
- **Annual Letter of Appeal Mailer** Total Income: \$40,472.01; Expense: \$4,571; Net: \$35,901.01.
- **Online Donations (Network for Good, MightyCause, Paypal):** \$13,360 (136 donations)
- **Benevity:** \$7,498 (5 donors and 4 matches from corporations)
- **WooCommerce Shop & Share Online Sales:** \$22.91, 5/21/24, Andria Montgomery, Two Watercolor Sets; \$105.18, 11/11/24, Josefa Vaughan, Stool by Bill Baldewicz
- **Schwab Transfers:** 9/17/24 \$10,000, 10/9/24 \$10,000
- **Grants Applications:** Creative Work Fund

LIST OF BENEFACTORS:

- **Precious Pines** (\$20,000 or more): Anonymous
- **Celestial Cedars** (\$10,000 to \$19,999): David Gavrich
- **Spectacular Sequoias** (\$5,000 to \$9,999): Tina Cervin
- **Courageous Cottonwoods** (\$1,000 to \$4,999): Budding Artist Foundation, The Eucalyptus Foundation, Kevin Quan & Whitney Huang Quan, Elizabeth Stahl, Josefa Vaughan & Charles N. Boone
- **Sacred Cypresses** (\$500 to \$999): Beatriz Bonnet, Felicia Zurich Gallagher, Tony & Caroline Grant, Hamilton Zanze Real Estate Investments, William Klingelhoffer and Jill Brindel, Luned Palmer, Rosamund Palmer, The Springer Family Fund of the Jewish Community Foundation, Margaret Sullivan, Randy Varney & John King
- **Magical Manzanitas** (\$100 to \$499): Dennis & Kate Abbe, Ravi Agarwal, JJ Ammar, Bianca Arrighi, Tom B., Carol U. Barnes, Evalina Barth, Clara J. Basile, Frank Baumgarte, Kate Bedding, Sherwood Bishop, Charles Boone, Jennifer & Kevin Brady, Rena Bransten, Hava Brown, Beau Casey, Beth Cook, Barbara & Bob DeMaria, Patricia Deuter, Jonathan Diamond, Ann Flores, Candace Forest, D Frandy, Raj-Ann Gill, Magda Grant, Paul R. Griffin, Beth Grinberg, Nicole Halbreiner, Thor Hansen, Matt Heckert, Audrey Heller, Rosalima & Roger Ireland, Christine Jegan, Frances Johns, Inge Keuppens, Philip & Sally Kipper, William Klingelhoffer and Jill Brindel, Marissa Kunz, James Lemon, Janis Lipzin, Donna Logan, Joshua Lubensky, Justine Lucas, Sergio Maggi, Bradley Maiorino, Issa Martinez, Gaurav Marwaha, Julianne F. and David J. Mehegan, Wallace D. Mersereau, Dzovag Minassian, Eva Monroe, ARobin Orden, Michael S. Orland & Dr. Henry J. Spiller, Thomas Palmer, Marta Percolla, Nicholas Rau, Blake Riley, Michael Rokeach, Jess Rolls, Greta & Manu Schnetzler, Sheila Schwartz, Sarika Sharma, Frank Shum, Bette Li Spencer, Jennifer Spencer, John Spriggs, Ashley Springer, Savannah Anita Stokes, Valerie Tate, Lance Trexler, Tish Valva, Kathryn Van Dyke, Arwen Vaughan, Charles & Misha Vaughan, Shelton M. Vaughan, The Vaughan Family Charitable Fund, Liz Volchok, Cynthia Wang, Julie & Michael Whitcomb, William Wild, Jill Winegardner, Jenna Wolter
- **Amazing Acorns** (\$99 or less): Ronkes Arrighi, Wyatt Arrighi, Edna Arterberry, Xanthe Asher, Clara Azulay, John Balestreri, Matthew Boriskin, Pam Buckles, Brooke Jennings, Teresa Cosgrove, Rob DeVoogd, Melanie De La Cruz, Anonymous Gift of Daffy Charitable Fund, Elizabeth Ditmars, Cherie Evans, Abigail Everdell, Sara Faizan, Cole Ferraiuolo, Dolly Ferraiuolo, Mark Allen Fish, Zoe Garcia, Mai Gigliotti, Narda Gillespie, Jacob Gossard, Holly Gosselink, Tuan Ho, Linda M. Hope, Sanjay Hortikar, Deborah & Bennett Jacobstein, Dan Keller, Chetan Keshav, Sue Kim, Paul Kleyman, Gabriella Kula, Mary A. Kumar, Sara A. Kumar, Paola Lari, Carol Law, June Lee, Leslie Lopez, Nikki Mahmoudzadeh, Eva Maiorino, Jack Maiorino, Vera Maiorino, Trina Martinez, Marilyn Masen, RJ Merck, Annelie Nilsson, Catie O'Leary, Thomas O'Leary, Katherine Onstott, Benita Purifoy, Samantha Razook, Peter Rengstorff, Kai Roath, Rebecca Rothfusz, Paul Saiki, Will Schier, Garret Smith, Laetitia Sonami, Astrid Tallase, Jonathea Tallase, Lan Anh Tran, Meredith Tromble, Eileen Tuscano, Velvet Van Bueren, Maysoun Villagracia, Kay Weber, Fiona Westphal, Ann Wettrich, Heather Wilson, Aim Wonghirundacha
- **Donations in Support of, or to Honor:** For Jeff and Ken: Charles Boone; For Priscilla Arrighi: Ronkes Arrighi, Bianca Arrighi, Wyatt Arrighi; For Sara Faizan: Aim Wonghirundacha; For Sabine Gysens: Dennis & Kate Abbe, Ravi Agarwal, JJ Ammar, Tom B., John Balestreri, Frank Baumgarte, Hava Brown, Beth Cook, Cherie Evans, Mark Allen Fish, Candace Forest, Zoe Garcia, Raj-Ann Gill, Audrey Heller, Sanjay Hortikar, Inge Keuppens, Philip & Sally Kipper, Gaurav

Marwaha, Dzovag Minassian, Eva Monroe, Annelie Nilsson, Thomas O'Leary, Katherine Onstott, Kevin Quan, Paul Saiki, Greta & Manu Schnetzler, Saarika Sharma, Frank Shum, Lan Anh Tran, Lance Trexler, Randy Varney & John King, Cynthia Wang, Fiona Westphal, Julie & Michael Whitcomb, Heather Wilson, Jill Winegardner; **For Jackson Herren:** Marta Percolla, Josefa Vaughan "In memory of Rebecca Moore"; **For Linh Ho:** Mai Gigliotti, Tuan Ho, **For Christine Jegan:** John Spriggs; **For Anna Maiorino:** Nikki Mahmoudzadeh, Bradley Maiorino, Eva Maiorino, Jack Maiorino, Vera Maiorino, Garret Smith; **For Will Schier:** Will Schier, Aim Wonghirundacha; **For Tom Ferraiuolo:** Clara Azulay, Teresa Cosgrove, Dolly Ferraiuolo, Cole Ferraiuolo, D Frandy, Brooke Jennings, Joshua Lubensky, Liz Volchok; **For Luned Palmer:** Rob DeVoogd, Abigail Everdell, Holly Gosselink, Nicole Halbreiner "In honor of The Fabulous Luned Palmer", Gabriella Kula, Justine Lucas, Samantha Razook, Jess Rolls, Rosamund Palmer "In honor of Franki + Nico", Thomas Palmer; **For Aber Van Bueren:** Evalina Barth, Kate Bedding, Pam Buckles, Melanie De La Cruz, Magda Grant, Issa Martinez, Trina Martinez, Marilyn Masen, Maysoun Villagracia, RJ Merck, Astrid Tallase, Jonatheia Tallase, Eileen Tuscano, Velvet Van Bueren; **For Josefa Vaughan:** Sherwood Bishop "Hello Fefa!", Charles Boone "In honor of Ms. J. Vaughan", Rosalima & Roger Ireland, Christine Jegan, Chetan Keshav, Luned Palmer, Kevin Quan, Rebecca Rothfusz, Valerie Tate, Josefa Vaughan "In Memory of Pilar Rubin", The Vaughan Family Charitable Fund, William Wild, Jenna Wolter "Presidio Hill School thanks ArtSeed for an amazing visit and experience on 3/27! Thank you, Josefa!"; **For Michelle Vignes:** Paul Kleyman; **For Aim Wonghirundacha:** Sara Faizan; **For Veterans:** Thor Hansen; **In Memory of Alan Springer:** The Springer Family Fund of the Jewish Community Foundation

- **Pro Bono/In-kind Donors:** **Flying Cloud Russian River Retreat** thanks to David Gavrich's dinner and breakfast for 6 with a one-night stay (retail value \$4,000); **Inn at the Presidio** thanks to Terry Haney for a one-night stay for two adults and two children under the age of 15 includes breakfast & daily wine & cheese Happy Hour. (retail value \$525.00); **Presidio Bowl Center**, \$119 Gift Certificate, (1 lane, 1 hour, 6 people), thanks to Victor Meyerhoff; **Kabuto Japanese Cuisine**, \$50 gift Certificate, thanks to Eric Cho; **Café RX**, Two \$10 Gift Cards, thanks to Rogelio Colindres; **Barbara DeMaria** paper, pens & pencils, and artist gifts; **Tanya Joyce**, 4 tambourines hand-painted by Natica Angilly

TESTIMONIALS:

Felicia Gallagher, parent: Thank you Josefa! You were a shining light of fun and inspiration for us in 2024 too! Looking forward to 2025! ❤️☀️

Holly Sherratt, Director, Modern & Contemporary Art, Heritage Auctions and professor for The Art History & Museum Studies program internship course at USF: I wanted to thank you again for your thoughtful comments about Zoe. She gave a wonderful presentation about Art Seed at the end of the semester and even shared some of her own artwork with the class. I know the internship helped build her confidence.

Mary Jane Dye: What I found memorable is the talk we had with Josefa on what makes us vulnerable. It made the work environment more comfortable for us and it made our relationship with Josefa grow into something great. I had an absolutely wonderful time in this internship and I will definitely be recommending this place to my fellow peers. What inspired me the most was definitely Josefa, the way her love for art started from so little and became something so great. Her work and what she has done to create such an amazing organization has definitely inspired me to never give up on what I am passionate about.

Lisa Burress: I love the energy here, the music is great and all of the people are awesome. Love the art !

Nadine Defrauoux: I love the exhibitions. The diversity and quality of art, the work is beautifully presented and engages me emotionally.

Lori: Thank you for dedicating so much time and effort to creating such a wonderful art experience for our little budding artists!

Maddy: Dear Josefa, you are so kind to give me a scholarship and a chance to attend here. I am forever grateful for the kind gesture you have done for me !

Gloria: Hi Josefa, thank you for the unforgettable experience of working with Artseed this summer. You've taught me so much about art and other things too. I always enjoyed our conversations and helping me set my boundaries.

Abigail: You are the best art teacher ! Thanks for teaching us how to work with new things I have never done before! I hope to come next year

Linh Ho: Hi Josefa ! You were great to work with and my experience at Artseed is unforgettable. I hope I can continue working with you after this summer

Arlan: Dear Josefa, I had a wonderful time with you. Thank you for teaching me !

Amity: Thank you for letting us have fun with our at and goof off (sometimes)

Prakriti: Dear Josefa, I really appreciate your willingness to continue with Artseed's Summer Intensive Program! I've really learned a lot, from both you and our new friends! Thank you for always trusting people, you've got a really special gift in you!

Linh Ho: Both the Summer Intensive and Exhibition made me realize how much ArtSeed likes to just push. We pushed deadlines, the artworks, all so that we can get the most out of everything. It's great how much you try to get out of us and how much everyone is pushed to make their best work.

Jack Herren: Artseed was and is my family of makers, creators, and gardeners of the mind and heart. I had the privilege of growing through the constant creation period, on days I volunteered. I have been chiseled, planed, painted and mended by Artseed.

Anna Maiorino: I really enjoyed seeing my work come to life like the T-shirts. I also loved meeting so many different creative people. I really loved our team. I felt very comfortable and productive, especially on the days Priscilla, Josefa and I worked together.

I think I learned a lot as a designer since this was my first work experience with design. It also gave me a lot to think of when deciding which career paths to explore when it comes to design.

I did not really know what to expect, I was open to whatever Artseed needed for me and it ended up being a very valuable and fun experience.

I shared with my class as well as gave T-shirts to friends and family.

I would love to do more animation!

Creating art with the veterans and other Artseed volunteers was a wonderful memory for me at Artseed.

We took our time to create drawings based on the prompt and then all shared. Everyone took turns discussing each other's work and it brought to light how amazing and different each interpretation was.

Jonathon Wright: I love walking through the hallway and seeing the art on my way to lunch. It makes my day.

Anna:

Congratulations on a great Art-a-Thon!! It was really beautiful to see everyone bonding through art and getting into all the unique tables. It also meant so much for me to see my T-shirt design all around. It was the first time I have designed something like that where people actually buy and wear it! I hope to rejoin the team eventually but I wanted to thank you for my meaningful time at ArtSeed so far. This has been my first design related job and I was able to learn so much in a very peaceful and understanding environment. I enjoyed the challenge of designing for ArtSeeds aesthetic which greatly differs from the aesthetics of my personal work.

I also wanted to share with you how much I truly admire what you do. I see all the hard work you pour into ArtSeed and how genuinely you believe and commit to its mission. Although I was working for ArtSeed I truly felt taken care of in the way ArtSeed cares for its members. You always encouraged my art and gave me a space to experiment. It was always so appreciated and I always felt so lucky not only because I was able to support a non-profit but because of the amazing work environment I got to be a part of.