



*"Thank you for all you
have done. You gave me
ideas and experiences
that I will cherish
forever."*

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YOUNG ARTIST OIL ON
CANVAS AT ARTSEED'S
SFMOMA FAMILY DAY, 2001

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS DOWN. SO, WHAT NOW?

November 11, 2025

Dear ArtSeed Friend,

We are launching a fresh chapter of our story with a new full-time Executive Director to be selected by the end of the year. New talent will bring innovative energy to our operations, community events, and long-haul apprenticeships, making them accessible to even more youngsters and veterans.

Founding Executive Director, Josefa Vaughan, is ready to mentor this new position so she can focus on what she loves most: making and showcasing collaborative art with gifted and vulnerable artists of all ages.

ArtSeed was founded with a belief that once seemed radical and now feels more necessary than ever: long-haul mentorships matter. Josefa says free private art instruction as a child shaped the rest of her life. Decades of community art projects brought her students of her own, and together they formed ArtSeed. Mentees grow up, come back, and pay it forward as a donor, volunteer, fundraiser, or mentor to others younger or less fortunate than themselves.

Over the past twenty-five years, ArtSeed has taught over 10,000 students through partnerships with 30 schools and 55 community partners. We've created 99 mentor-mentee pairings, resulting in over 8,450 hours of individualized art instruction. All this we've done on a grand scale with a laughably small budget. But there is seriously more to do!

**With your help, we can expand access to transformative mentorships
and give budding artists the space, discipline, and camaraderie to thrive!**

Your gift helps a young artist see what's possible when they are supported and believed in and ensures no one is ever turned away due to lack of funds. Make a gift at www.artseed.org/giving or sending a check payable to ArtSeed, P.O. Box 29277, San Francisco, CA 94129. We like to send handmade acknowledgements. If you dedicate your gift to your mentor or someone who has made a difference in your life, we can send them one too. Thank you in advance for being on this adventure with us.

On we go!

With warm wishes for 2026,

Bill Bicknell
President, Board of Directors

Josefa Vaughan
Founder, Artistic Director



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