



PIANOS  
FOR  
PEACE

IMPACT  
REPORT  
FY24/25

***Together, we're making the arts accessible to all while  
building peace through music and education***



# OUR MISSION



Pianos for Peace transforms communities and uplifts lives by engaging artists in volunteer service programs to make the arts accessible to all. We unite communities by building peace through music and education.

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Letter from the Founder

# WHY PIANOS FOR PEACE

The city of Atlanta has vast cultural resources, yet too many among us have minimal access to arts experiences. One of the most disheartening statistics is the decline of arts education in underserved populations, especially in elementary schools. Students in underserved communities who are highly engaged in the arts are more likely than their peers with low arts involvement to **obtain gainful employment, complete college, and volunteer in their communities.**<sup>(1)</sup>

Pianos for Peace is committed to **bringing meaningful arts programs to our under-resourced schools, community centers, healthcare and senior care facilities.** Each Pianos for Peace program is defined by **the needs of our partner communities,** the volunteer service of artists, and by our commitment to build peace through music and education.

Music Therapy is one of our three major programs that serve schools, hospitals, and nursing homes in our community. The majority of our hospital patients and nursing home residents have never experienced creative arts,<sup>(2)</sup> despite the proven fact that music therapy heals.<sup>(3)</sup> Music education provides personal benefits to students

that enrich their lives. Participating in an ensemble enhances **feelings of self-achievement, assisted individuals in overcoming challenges, and builds self-confidence.**<sup>(4)</sup> Moreover, the **social benefits of music education can continue throughout a student's life and career.**<sup>(5)</sup>

This report will outline the benefits of our outdoor festival, as well as the **positive impact on the community through our year-round arts programs.** Only through meaningful partnerships and joining hands with champions for the arts and our Ambassadors for Peace, are we able to unite people and **uplift the lives of individuals and families.**

We thank you for your generous support and contributions to **transform communities through the soft power of the arts.** Let's unite to help **make the arts accessible to all and build peace through music and education.**

In harmony,

**Malek Jandali**  
Founder & CEO

Picture on front cover by Dan Carmody featuring one of the Pianos for Peace masterpieces by Atlanta based artist Laurent Originals.

(1) Source: Benefits of Arts Education – Americans for the Arts

(2) Source: National Center for Health Statistics

(3) Source: National Endowment for the Arts study,

"The Impact of Professionally Conducted Cultural Programs on the Physical Health, Mental Health, and Social Functioning of Older Adults"

(4) Source: Arts Education Partnership, comp. **Music Matters: How Music Education Helps Students Learn, Achieve, and Succeed.**

(5) Source: Judson, Ellen. "The Importance of Music." **Music Empowers Foundation.**



“Pianos for Peace is making people come together around something common to celebrate traditions and it says things that people really cannot say in words. In a way, that’s what music does. It takes down barriers.”

Leslie Gordon

Director of Rialto Center for the Arts at Georgia State University

Pianos for Peace has partnered with **more than 45 nonprofit organizations**, engaged **more than 65 artists** in community volunteer programs, and **donated 51 pianos to local community-based organizations in metro Atlanta**. Our community arts programs have served thousands of individuals in under-resourced schools, veterans’ centers, nursing homes, and hospitals.

## BUILDING PEACE THROUGH MUSIC AND EDUCATION



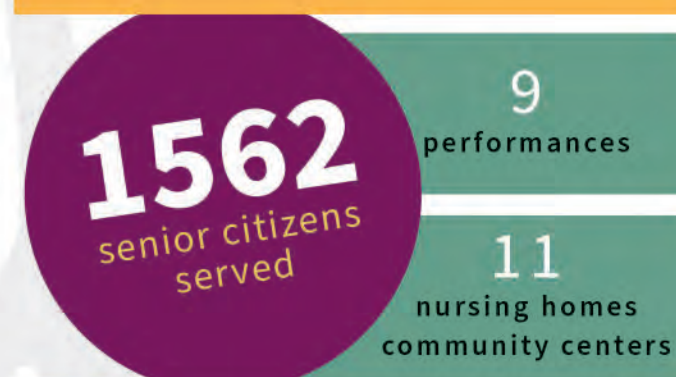
# FY24/25 BY THE NUMBERS

From July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025

## PIANOS FOR PEACE FESTIVAL



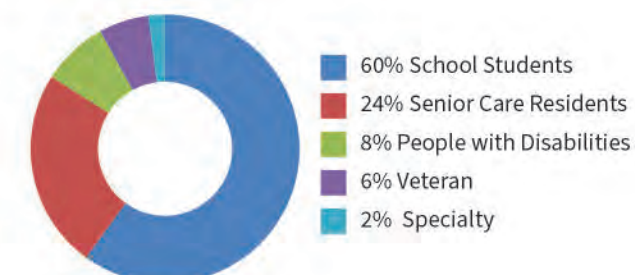
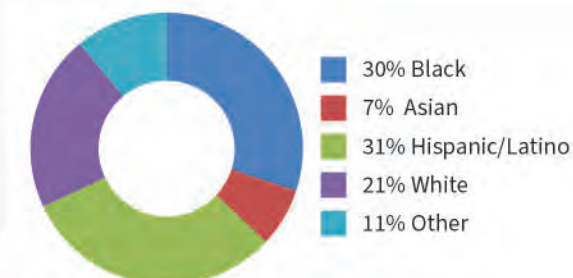
## HEALING ARTS



## ARTS EDUCATION



## COMUNITY ARTS



1.302.450

Atlantans impacted by Pianos for Peace Festival and Community Art Programs



# WHERE WE SERVE



## Our Partners in Education

Pianos for Peace transforms lives and communities at the following educational institutions

### Pianos For Peace Permanent Homes 66 Schools, Colleges, and Universities

John Lewis Invictus Academy  
Martha Ellen Stilwell School of the Arts  
Martin Luther King, Jr. Middle School  
Garden Hills Elementary School  
Washington High School  
Tri-Cities High School  
North Clayton Middle School  
Finch Elementary School  
Dunbar Elementary  
Music from the Heart School  
Green Pastures Christian School  
North Atlanta High School  
Drew Charter School  
Jackson Primary School  
Divine Ministries and Music School  
McNair Middle School  
James A. Jackson Elementary School  
Chapel Hill Elementary School  
Clara Mohammed Elementary  
Long Middle School  
Cleveland Avenue Elementary School  
Douglas High School  
Flat Shoals Elementary  
Tri-Cities High School  
West Clayton Elementary  
School Banneker High School  
Grady High School  
Inman Middle School  
Jackson High School  
Brown Middle School  
Jones Elementary School  
Dobbs Elementary School  
Hollis Innovation Academy  
Boyd Elementary School  
Brookwood Elementary  
Peyton Forest Elementary  
Fred A. Toomer Elementary School  
Maynard Holbrook Jackson High School  
Burgess-Peterson Academy  
Harper-Archer Elementary School

Brandon Elementary  
Cascade Elementary School  
Kimberly Elementary  
The B.E.S.T. Academy  
Continental Colony Elementary School  
Sylvan Hills Middle School  
Frederick Douglass High School  
Daniel McLaughlin Therrell High School  
Jean Childs Young Middle School  
Morningside Elementary School  
Benteen Elementary School  
Deerwood Elementary  
Miles Intermediate Elementary School  
Fickett Elementary School  
Humphries Elementary School  
Scott Elementary  
Pace Academy  
Michael R. Hollis Innovation Academy  
Georgia Tech Alpha Chi Omega Sorority  
Carver Early College  
Spelman College  
Emory University  
Georgia Tech  
Georgia State University  
Fort Valley State University  
Queens University of Charlotte



### Our Partner Organizations 46 Partners, Sponsors and Organizations

Georgia Council for the Arts  
City of Atlanta Office of Cultural Affairs  
Community Foundation of Greater Atlanta  
Fulton County Arts and Culture  
Forsyth County Arts Alliance  
Atlanta Public Schools  
Fulton County Schools  
Cobb County Schools  
Atlanta Fulton Public Library  
Forsyth County Public Library  
The King Center  
Atlanta Beltline  
Piedmont Park  
Atlanta Police Department  
DeKalb County Police Department  
Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority – MARTA  
Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport  
The Coca-Cola Company  
Children's Healthcare of Atlanta  
Wheels of Happiness Foundation  
World Innovation Summit of Education  
The Skoll World Forum  
Morningstar Storage  
Compass Liberty  
Soul b Music  
Ogden-Ritenour  
Sam Flax Arts  
Peace House  
International Association of Military Women of Color  
The Hudgens Center for Arts and Learning  
Veterans Empowerment Organization  
Troutman Pepper  
Cohen Cooper Estep & Allen  
The Home Depot  
Center for Civil and Human Rights  
Rialto Center for the Arts  
Art Gallery of Government Building  
North Atlanta Kids  
One Atlantic Center Grand Gallery  
Abernathy Arts Center  
Sweet Auburn Curb Market  
ArtisTree Community Art Center  
Roswell Rotary Club  
The Freedom Project  
Preserve Black Atlanta  
Great Arab Minds



Grammy Award Winner Rudy Currence  
Atlanta Beltline

*"The praise and the spirit that you feel coming off people. You look behind you and you see Black, White, Latino, Mexican, they are all just standing here and the world just gets bigger. It's a really good feeling."*

David Keith, Street Artist  
Atlanta Fulton Public Library

*"I just see people light up on their own journey or path and all of a sudden they hear the music and they stop and people just take it in. So I think it just gives us all a little humanity."*

Daniel Dunlop, Atlanta Resident  
Piedmont Park



Our programs serve schoolchildren, healthcare patients, veterans, seniors, and the disabled, igniting creativity and activating potential in under-resourced communities.



# WHAT WE DO

PIANOS FOR PEACE SERVES THE COMMUNITY THROUGH THREE PROGRAMS:

ARTS EDUCATION

COMMUNITY ARTS

HEALING ARTS



Pictured: Pianos For Peace Outdoor Festival – Atlanta Beltline  
Senior Citizen playing Pianos For Peace – Avalon  
Pianos for Peace volunteer Marjorie Clay – Green Pastures Christian School

Each Pianos for Peace program is defined by the needs of our partner communities, the volunteer service of artists, and by our commitment to build peace through music and education.



Pianos for Peace Director of Community Outreach, Ameer Muhammad with students and faculty of McNair Middle School in East Atlanta.

“ Practicing music reinforces teamwork, communication skills, self-discipline, and creativity ”

- The Backstreet Boys







Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport Atrium | Pianos for Peace designed and painted by Marisa Cerban



Pianos for Peace Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at Drew Charter School  
Founder and President of The Wheels of Happiness Foundation Vincenzo Piscopo







# COMMUNITY ARTS

The Pianos for Peace outdoor festival is the organization's annual two-week **Community Arts Program** that features pianos painted by local artists in the parks and public spaces of Atlanta for anyone to play and everyone to enjoy. We then donate the pianos to Title I Schools, nursing homes and hospitals where they become permanent homes for future Pianos for Peace community arts programs.

Pianos for Peace is one of Atlanta's largest annual public arts displays, receiving **more than 30 million media impressions**. In 2019, the organization **displayed 88 painted pianos throughout three counties of greater Atlanta, including two in the world's busiest airport at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport, five Atlanta Beltline locations, and six Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA) stations – the first collaboration of its kind since the tracks were laid in 1979.**

“ This is spreading everyone's different experiences across the city and it is very beneficial to our campus. I actually would really like this to stay here but I know it would be in a better place if it were in a nursing home or somewhere where people need it most. This has definitely been a great experience. ”

**Winston Wu**  
**Medical Engineer Student**  
**Georgia Tech**

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More than **1.303.500** ATLANTAS AND VISITORS SERVED  
 (Cay Communications Estimate)



Frederick Douglass High School



Georgia State University | Downtown Atlanta Campus

## YEAR-ROUND COMMUNITY ARTS PROGRAMS UPLIFTING LIVES THROUGH THE ARTS

### SPRING



Pianos for Peace accepts piano donations and artists' proposals from the community.

### SUMMER



Volunteer artists design and paint pianos and create their own masterpieces.

### FALL



Pianos for Peace outdoor festival in public places throughout metro Atlanta for anyone to play and everyone to enjoy.

### WINTER



Pianos for Peace donates painted pianos and serves the community through our year-round art programs in nursing homes, hospitals, schools and organizations in need.



- 1- The King Center
- 2- Atrium of Atlanta International Airport
- 3- Grady High School
- 4- Piedmont Park 12th Street Gate
- 5- John Lewis Invictus Academy
- 6- Brandon Elementary
- 7- Rialto Center for the Arts at GSU
- 8- Spelman College
- 9- Underground Atlanta
- 10- Atlanta Beltline Ponce City Market
- 11- MARTA Doraville
- 12- Miles Intermediate Elementary
- 13- 7000 Central Parkway
- 14- Southlake Mall
- 15- James A. Jackson Elementary
- 16- The Coca-Cola Company Headquarters
- 17- Little Creek Academy
- 18- The Collection at Forsyth
- 19- Inman Middle School
- 20- Clara Mohammed Elementary
- 21- Sam Flax Art Supply
- 22- North Atlanta High School
- 23- Atlanta Beltline Under Westview Drive
- 24- Georgia Tech
- 25- Dobbs Elementary
- 26- Erin's Hope for Friends
- 27- Music from the Heart School
- 28- Benteen Elementary
- 29- One Atlantic Center
- 30- Jackson Primary School
- 31- Seniors Enriched Living
- 32- Fickett Elementary School
- 33- MARTA North Springs Station
- 34- Jackson Elementary
- 35- Martha Ellen Stilwell School of the Arts
- 36- Jones Learning Center
- 37- Cleveland Avenue Elementary
- 38- Sharon Forks Public Library
- 39- Booker T. Washington High School
- 40- Garden Hills Elementary
- 41- Abernathy Arts Center
- 42- Jackson High School
- 43- Skylark Senior Care
- 44- MARTA Five Points Station



- 45- Fulton County Government Building
- 46- Atlanta Beltline Under RDA West End
- 47- Michael R. Hollis Innovation Academy
- 48- MARTA West End Station
- 49- Sweet Auburn Curb Market
- 50- Hudgens Center for Art & Learning
- 51- Tower Place Buckhead
- 52- Deerwood Elementary
- 53- Atlanta Airport International Terminal
- 54- Morningside Elementary
- 55- Martin Luther King, Jr. Middle School
- 56- Atlanta Beltline 10th Street Piedmont Park
- 57- Jean Childs Young Middle School
- 58- Daniel McLaughlin Therrell High School
- 59- Fredrick Douglass High School
- 60- La Madeleine Perimeter
- 61- Sylvan Hills Middle School
- 62- One Glenlake Building
- 63- Continental Colony Elementary School
- 64- Pace Academy
- 65- Fort Valley State University
- 66- Kimberly Elementary
- 67- Atlanta Beltline Under Murphy Avenue
- 68- Cascade Elementary
- 69- Burgess-Peterson Academy
- 70- Maynard Holbrook Jackson High School
- 71- Fred A. Toomer Elementary
- 72- MARTA H. E. Holmes Station
- 73- Peyton Forest Elementary
- 74- Brenan Towers Retirement Community Center
- 75- Willowwood Nursing Center
- 76- Hollis Innovation Academy
- 77- North Clayton Middle School
- 78- Drew Charter School
- 79- Atlanta Beltline under Freedom Parkway
- 80- McNair Middle School
- 81- Green Pastures Christian School
- 82- Flat Shoals Elementary
- 83- MARTA College Park Station
- 84- Tri-Cities High School
- 85- South DeKalb Senior Center
- 86- Chapel Hill Elementary
- 87- Carver Early College
- 88- Center for Civil and Human Rights





Internationally-acclaimed blind concert pianist and tenor Carlos Ibay performing on Pianos for Peace designed and painted by Julieta Carrillo at Coca-Cola headquarters in Atlanta.

# COMMUNITY ARTS

## UNITY in our Community

People and organizations throughout metro Atlanta make Pianos For Peace their own.

### Rialto Center for the Arts at Georgia State University

@RialtoCenter #PianosForPeace have found their permanent homes around #Atlanta!



### Atlanta Fulton Public Library

Pianos for Peace created jobs when street artists performed regularly for the public and collected tips!



### Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport

An average of 260,000 passengers fly through Atlanta each day in the busiest airport in the world!



### @Atlanta Airport

All of the pianos will be dedicated to local schools in hopes of spreading more #peace through #music and #education.



### @AtlantaSymphony

Enjoying an amazing tune from public piano on @TheWoodruff Campus!  
#PianosForPeace #AtlantaSymphonyAssociates





# CONNECTING COMMUNITIES AND PRESERVING THE CULTURAL IDENTITY OF ATLANTA



felt that their contribution was meaningful

86% of public participants were inspired by Pianos for Peace

98% of volunteer artists were proud of sharing their art

84% of students believed we made a positive impact



## COMMUNITY MEMBERS



92%

of Atlantans agreed that the arts uplift lives and transform communities

138k+

followers on Instagram, facebook, twitter and clubhouse



Source: Survey, mobile app and social media outlets during the 2021 Pianos for Peace Festival.

# COMMUNITY ARTS

## PIANOS FOR PEACE FREE MOBILE APP



The free **Pianos for Peace App** is available to download for both **iPhone** and **Android**. The app maximizes people's interaction with all Pianos for Peace, creating new opportunities for social engagement around the artist-designed instruments.

Each piano has its own page in the app, which includes photos, location details, the artist's bio and design. The app enables users to explore the latest social buzz about the pianos, schedule their own **"pop-up concerts"** on individual pianos in any of the 88 locations, alert their friends and fans about upcoming events, and compete to win Pianos for Peace prizes including a chance for one lucky musician to perform live at Carnegie Hall with Pianos for Peace founder, composer and pianist Malek Jandali.

## SOCIAL MEDIA

CNN CONNECT THE WORLD

25,000,000  
International Views



FOX 5 Atlanta News

995,325  
Local Views





# HEALING ARTS



**Pianos for Peace** expanded their Healing Arts program by mobilizing “Ambassadors for Peace” who help run programs at nursing homes and healthcare facilities and ensure high-quality experiences for all involved. Thanks to this new program, we were able to increase the reach of our Music Therapy programs by 25% this year, serving 2,500 individuals in 11 partner sites, up from 2,000 individuals in 9 sites last year.

# Healing with HeART

Pianos for Peace serves the community and uplifts lives through meaningful healing arts programs, **bedside performances** and music therapy workshops. We engage local volunteer artists to share their time and talents to serve seniors in nursing homes, people with disabilities in special care centers, and hospital patients in treatment centers through our dynamic arts programs.

## Helping Veterans Reclaim Memories and Personal Narratives

Pianos for Peace research-based creative performances, workshops, and curated cultural experiences that promote wellness and improve outcomes for Veterans facing military-related health challenges in hospitals, long-term care facilities, hospices, and community centers. Our programs encompass both in-person arts experiences as well as live virtual performances, classes, and workshops.

“Music has healing power. It has the ability to take people out of themselves for a few hours.”

~ Elton John



“I need something else to do. The older we get we need to keep our mind occupied. Coming down here and playing the piano is something that can occupy our thoughts.”

Brenan Towers Resident  
- Atlanta Retirement Community

“At the deepest level, the creative process and the healing process arise from a single source. When you are an artist, you are a healer: a wordless trust of the same mystery is the foundation of your work with is integrity.”

Rachel Naomi Reman, MD





A Musical Tribute to Veterans at the Atlanta Central Library in partnership with International Association of Military Women of Color and Veterans Empowerment Organization.



Veteran Darryl Perk with artist Laurent Originals at the Atlanta Central Library during the Musical Tribute to Veterans concert on August 5, 2023 at the Atlanta Central Library.





## WE SERVE THE FOLLOWING PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS

Skylark Senior Care  
 Love Divine Ministries  
 Senior Enriched Living  
 Erin's Hope for Friends  
 Jones Learning Center  
 Willowood Nursing Center  
 South DeKalb Senior Center  
 Adamsville Recreation Center  
 Christ the King Community Center  
 Branan Towers Retirement Community  
 The Hudgens Center for Arts and Learning

## Music Therapy Program

Music can play a healing role in settings ranging from operating rooms to family clinics. Studies show that listening to and playing music **boosts the immune system's effectiveness**.<sup>(1)</sup>

## VOLUNTEER POWER

**24 VOLUNTEER ARTISTS**

**32 MUSICIANS**

**1,749 VOLUNTEER HOURS**

\* Source: Daniel J. Levitin, PhD - "This is Your Brain on Music" (Plume/Penguin, 2007)



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“All labor that uplifts humanity has dignity and importance and should be undertaken with painstaking excellence.”

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Martin Luther King, Jr.





# ARTS EDUCATION

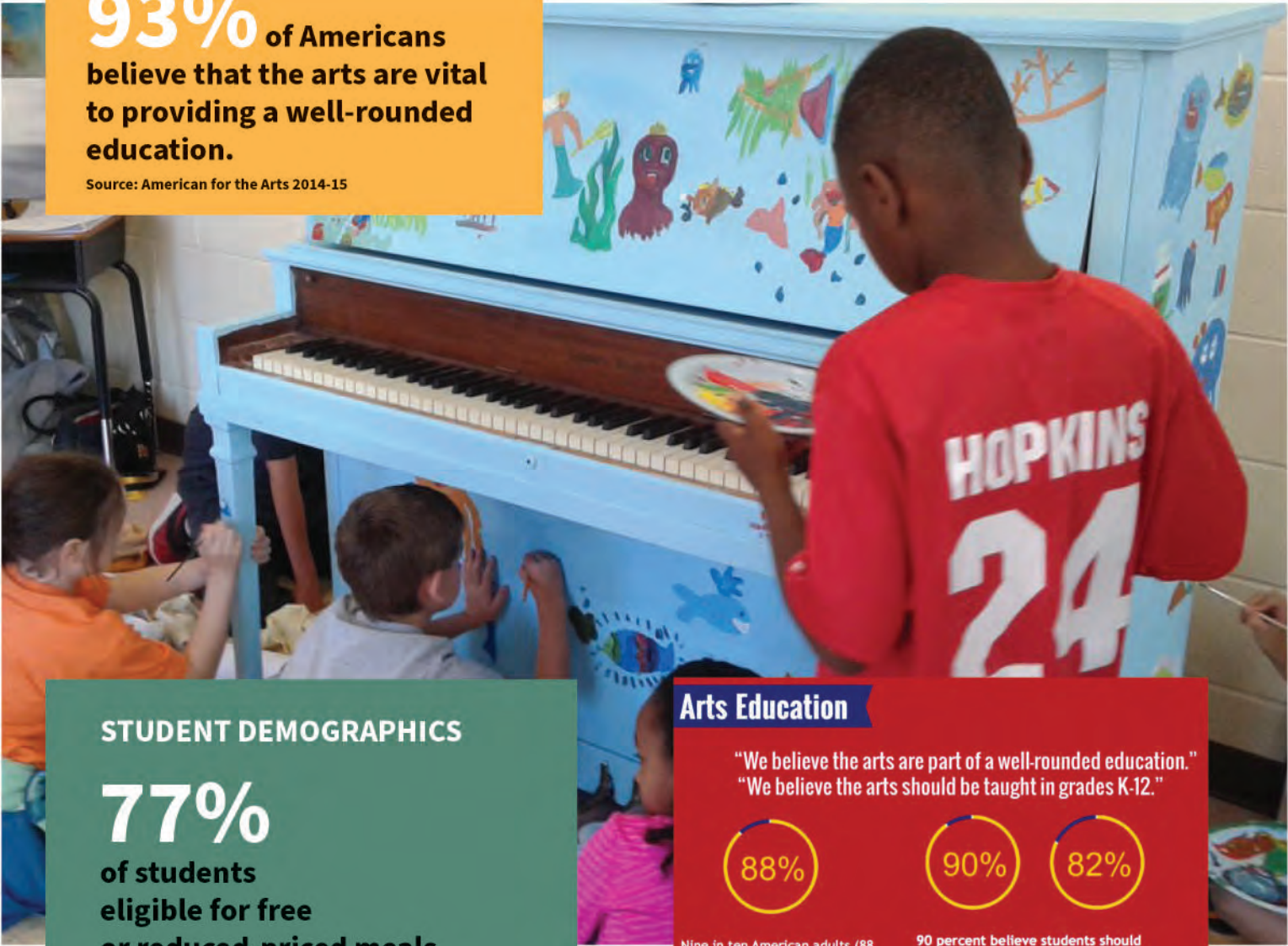
Pianos for Peace's Arts Education program focuses on **serving students in underserved communities** in the greater Atlanta area. Our **meaningful partnerships throughout the city and across three counties (Fulton, Forsyth, DeKalb)** enable us to **connect public schools with volunteer artists**. We mobilize and empower more than **135 volunteers and professional artists** - from classical musicians to photographers to filmmakers - in volunteer service programs that benefit communities in need.

Pianos For Peace joins hands with creative arts instructors to deliver dynamic learning experiences and educational workshops that **encourage self-expression, stimulate confidence, nurture positive development, and enhance self-esteem** in young people and students at Title I schools and under-resourced learning centers. The organization also engages in benefit concerts that raise awareness and funds in partnerships with nonprofit organizations in the community.

## Different Access to Arts Education across Communities

**93%** of Americans believe that the arts are vital to providing a well-rounded education.

Source: American for the Arts 2014-15



### STUDENT DEMOGRAPHICS

**77%** of students eligible for free or reduced-priced meals

Source: Atlanta Public Schools 2014-15

### Arts Education

"We believe the arts are part of a well-rounded education."  
"We believe the arts should be taught in grades K-12."



Nine in ten American adults (88 percent) agree that the arts are part of a well-rounded K-12 education.



90 percent believe students should receive an education in the arts in elementary school, middle school, and high school. 82 percent say the arts should also be taught outside of the classroom in the community.











*"Our partnership on your creative peacemaking through music and the arts is transforming our communities and bringing people together. We are honored to be part in your community arts programs that have tremendous impact on youth in our schools. You empower local artists and are definitely making a positive impact in Atlanta."*

Justin Clay, **Executive Director and Founder, Music from the Heart Fine Arts (FY21 Pianos For Peace Partner)**



Community Arts Education Workshop at Spelman College.

# ATLANTA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

**51**  
Pianos  
for Peace  
Donated



The majority of this year's 88 Pianos for Peace were awarded to Atlanta Public Schools serving all age groups and grades through a competitive application process. The Pianos for Peace are being used for everything from pre-K music classes to high school chorus ensembles, musical productions, dance rehearsals, and piano lessons. In addition to donating the colorful Pianos for Peace Pianos, we collaborate on providing a year-round Community Arts Education programs that include workshops, and performances throughout the school year.





# AMBASSADORS FOR PEACE

Pianos for Peace established long-term **partnerships with the Atlanta and DeKalb County Police Departments** through the Ambassadors for Peace program to unite the communities and build peace in the city. The Ambassador For Peace program also embarked on special collaborations with the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA), and four of the state's top academic institutions: Emory University, Spelman College, GeorgiaTech and Georgia State University. The historic partnership with MARTA was especially meaningful, as it was the **first time since its inception in 1979 that the organization permitted musical instruments to be displayed** in stations around the city. Pianos for Peace were placed in 6 stations (Five Points, College Park, H.E. Holmes, North Springs, King Memorial and Doraville) **reaching the more than 550,000 passengers per day** that ride MARTA and five of the state's top academic institutions: Emory University, GeorgiaTech, Georgia State University, Fort Valley State University, and Spelman College.

Every year, our board of directors recognizes exceptional individuals and organizations for their commitment to uniting communities and promoting arts and peace. Our Ambassadors for Peace include Chief Erika Shields, Chief George N. Turner of the Atlanta Police Department and Dr. Cedric L. Alexander of the DeKalb County Police Department.



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*This is an amazing opportunity for us to speak about peace, and what we are doing in Atlanta is uniquely different. I am extremely proud to be a part of the Pianos for Peace initiative. The importance of music, it brings so many people together, from so many different walks of life.*

”

Chief George Turner,  
Atlanta Police Department



Pianos for Peace Gala Dinner, September 21, 2019, Atlanta Marriott Perimeter Center.

From left to right: Fulton County Arts & Culture Director Lionell Thomas, Fulton County Commissioner Natalie Hall, 2019 Ambassador for Peace Emmitt Stevenson, Deputy Director of Fulton County Arts and Culture, and Pianos for Peace founder Malek Jandali.

Pianos for Peace is pleased to announce the recipients of the **Ambassadors for Peace Awards**. These awards recognize and honor the vital work of the most respected community leaders, while rewarding remarkable success in promoting and building a culture of peace in our world.

- 1- **Mayor Keisha Lance Bottoms**, Mayor of the **City of Atlanta**
- 2- **Bryan Stevenson**, Founder of **Equal Justice Initiative**
- 3- **Juanes**, Renowned singer and songwriter, Founder of **Mi Sangre Foundation**
- 4- **Camille Russel Love**, Executive director of the **City of Atlanta Mayor's Office of Cultural Affairs**
- 5- **Natalie Hall**, Fulton County Commissioner of **District 4**.

Founder & CEO Malek Jandali with Mayor of Atlanta Keisha Lance Bottoms at Atlanta City Hall



Commissioner Natalie Hall of Fulton County District 4 with the 2022 Ambassador for Peace Award at the Atrium of the Government Building downtown Atlanta on September 21, 2022 in celebration of International Day of Peace.







Pianos for Peace strongly believes in engaging youth in schools and academic institutions, and the **partnerships with students, faculty and staff at Fort Valley State University, Spelman College, Georgia Tech, Washington High School, Grady High School Philharmonic Orchestra and Martha Ellen Stilwell School of the Arts** did just that. With painted pianos on the campuses, students of all backgrounds and talents joined together to celebrate their community through music, art and education.

In sharing our mission of making the arts accessible to all, our **Ambassadors for Peace program** was instrumental in uplifting lives and impacting positive social change in our communities.



## SPREADING PEACE

The volunteer artists of Pianos for Peace are the engines that power our broad range of community outreach programs, inspiring and fostering positive change for those in need. Our Ambassadors for Peace roster lies at the core of our mission and features artist volunteers from almost every artistic discipline — musicians, classical and jazz instrumentalists, dancers, choreographers, composers, designers, directors, photographers, and more. Working in tandem with our dedicated staff, our roster of artists donates their time and talent to give back to local communities, especially in underserved areas in our mission to make the arts accessible to all.







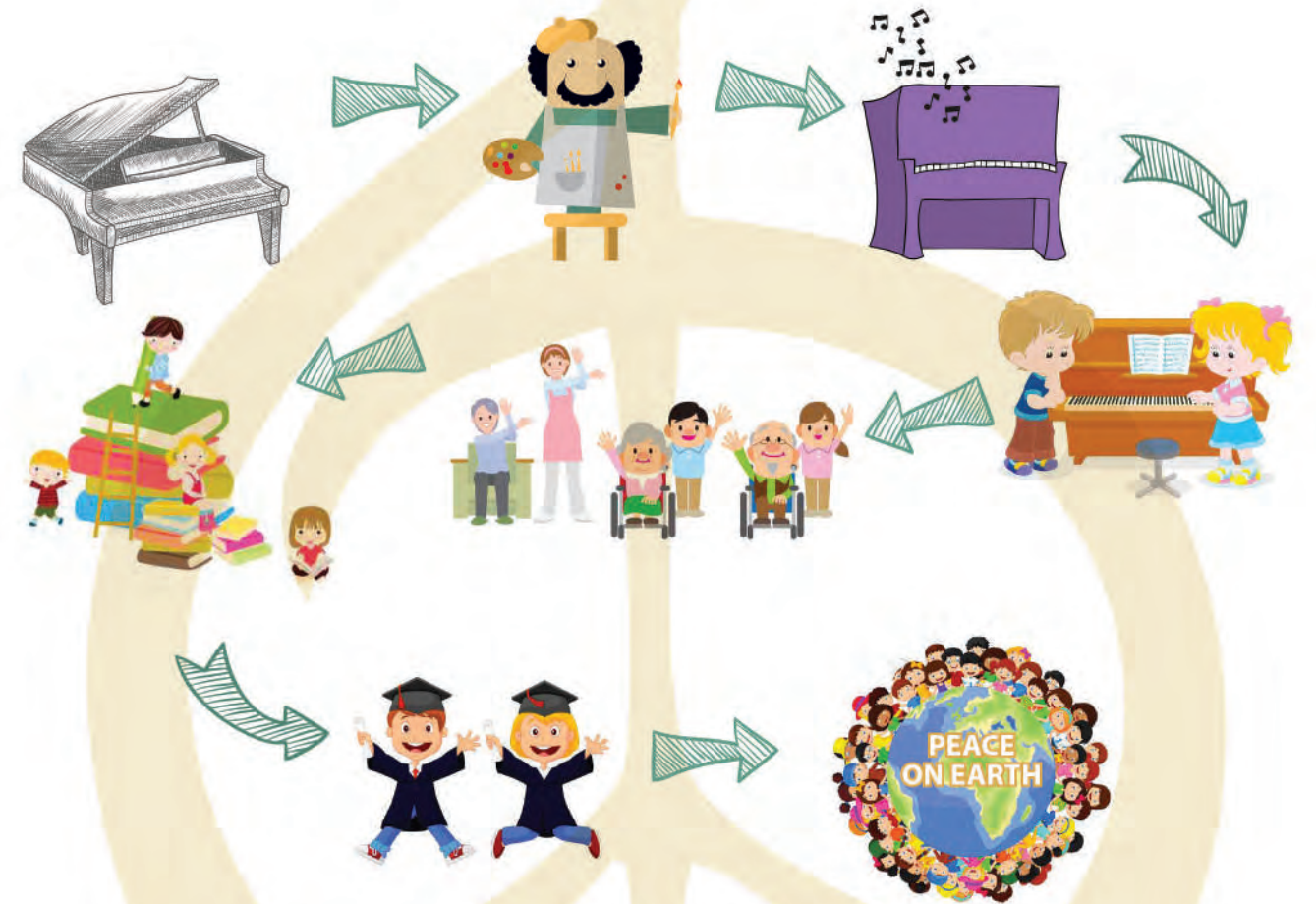
THE KING CENTER

Pianos for Peace at The King Center  
Pianos for Peace at the Art Gallery of the  
Government Building in downtown Atlanta



UPLIFTING LIVES  
THROUGH THE ARTS

TRANSFORMING PEOPLE  
AND COMMUNITIES



PIANOS  
FOR  
PEACE



# VOLUNTEER

The Pianos for Peace team of volunteer artists comes from diverse backgrounds and levels of professionalism, everyone from young children to seniors join efforts to paint messages of peace and unity on the pianos. While some are professional artists and others passionate novices, all are committed to the goal of making the arts accessible to all and impacting positive social change in the community, especially underserved areas.



# ARTISTS



## A SYMPHONY FOR PEACE

The Pianos for Peace programs have united and engaged members of the community as well as painters, music lovers, students, visual artists, dancers, photographers, filmmakers and the general public to preserve the cultural identity of our city and help build peace through music and education.



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# COMMUNITY IMPACT



## GIFT BY MAIL

Pianos for Peace  
1795 Peachtree Street NE  
Atlanta, Georgia 30309

## ONLINE DONATION

[PianosForPeace.org](https://PianosForPeace.org)

## CREDIT CARD BY PHONE

Pianos for Peace Office  
404.953.9121

## STOCK DONATION

Pianos for Peace Office

A copy of Pianos for Peace's most recent financial statement is available upon request by contacting our office at 404.953.9121 or [Contact@PianosForPeace.org](mailto:Contact@PianosForPeace.org)

Pianos for Peace is a registered nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization and your contribution is tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law.

# PIANOS FOR PEACE

## Board of Directors and Staff



### Board of Directors

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Jeffrey L. Cohen  
Dr. Sara Womack



Malek Jandali, President, Founder & CEO  
Ameer Muhammad, Community Outreach Director  
Cari Fundora, Development and Program Associate  
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**BUILDING PEACE**  
through music and education

[PIANOSFORPEACE.ORG](https://PIANOSFORPEACE.ORG)

Photos in this report provided by: Justin, Yasmine, Catalina, Shawn, Louis, Dan, Marisa, Ameer and Pianos For Peace staff, partners and friends.





Community Concert at the Forsyth County Sharon Forks Public Library in partnership with the Labmert High School Symphony Orchestra.



# A LOOK AHEAD TO FY26

## ATLANTA

### Pianos for Peace

Launched in partnership with the City of Atlanta Office of Cultural Affairs, Pianos for Peace is mobilizing high school students through our year-round community programs in which students will conceive, organize, and execute programs and events that teach them and their peers how to give back to their communities through the arts.



## USA

### Spreading Peace

Pianos for Peace Vermont was launched in October 2018 and we replicated our successful festival and community programs in partnership with Anima Mundi Production with the 2019 Pianos for Peace Oregon.



### Quality of Commute

Pianos for Peace has developed a strategic partnership with both the Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport and MARTA while working to bring colorful painted pianos to leading international transit hubs and bus terminals driving a platform of "quality of commute."



### Cultural Diplomacy

Pianos for Peace is driving the international movement for increased inclusion of the arts, along with politics and economics, in major forums and conventions such as The Skoll Forum and United Nations centering on positive social change in the world.



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Pianos for Peace founder, Malek Jandali, believes that music has **the power to transform communities and impact positive social change**. As an international renowned composer and pianist, he has led panels and shared his vision at The United Nations, Harvard University, The Skoll World Forum on Social Entrepreneurship, Georgia Tech TEDx, The Aspen Ideas Festival, Gusi International Peace Summit and Duke University among others.

In 2015, the Carnegie Corporation of New York recognized him as a Carnegie Great Immigrant – **The Pride of America** – along with Yo-Yo Ma and Itzhak Perlman for his commitment to peace and his **notable contributions to the progress of our society**.

The mission of Pianos for Peace, to build peace through music and education, is rooted in Malek's belief that **music changes people, and people change the world**.





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 “Art is a  
 journey of  
 excellence  
 not a goal for  
 perfection.”

Jacqueline Patricks

Pianos for Peace on the  
 Atlanta Beltline.

# ARTISTIC EXCELLENCE



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“ Art is nothing if you don't reach every segment of the people. ”

- Keith Haring




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