# Saginaw Arts & Enrichment Commission Strategic Plan

## **Long Term Goals**

#### <u>Advocacy</u>

Engage officials in an ongoing conversation about the benefits of arts and culture in the community

Heighten the visibility of the arts while encouraging participation.

Partner with state arts organizations to bring information and funding to area.

Be an expert source for state and local officials regarding community arts activities. Expand our role in the community to promote arts and cultural activities.

#### Programs and Services

Continue to expand programming offered at our facility and throughout the community: Art classes at VA for PTSD patients, Hollyday Fair, Student Art Exhibit, Arts Awards, Art @ Andersen, Music programs for special needs students, Summer Art Fair, Jazz in the Garden

Continue to produce ARTifacts monthly newsletter and distribute through libraries and other venues.

#### Communication <u>& Promotion</u>

Continue partnerships with local media to promote arts and cultural events

Continue to send Constant Contact notices for events

Improve the region's reputation as a premiere arts community.

Promote the work of local artists and arts and cultural organizations through FB and newsletter.

Represent the Commission with community organizations.

#### <u>Youth and</u> Education

Provide strong community outreach to broaden audiences and increase access to arts experiences.

#### Youth:

Broaden cross cultural understanding and diversity with *Celebrating Saginaw's Cultures* exhibit Support arts education and youth development through school concerts and art and music classes at inner city youth centers.

*Education:* Provide training for arts groups' boards. d ing membership s Continue to grow our Artreach Endowment in order to increase

> organizations. Establish and market a planned giving program as a new giving opportunity for donors.

grants to local arts

Funding and

**Development** 

retaining and expand-

Establish goals for

Establish fundraising events during the year to provide funding for activities and operations. Involve board members in fundraising activities

### <u>Operational</u> <u>Excellence</u>

Continue to implement a creative vision and plan for future service to the Saginaw community.

Foster an environment that recognizes, values and celebrates the diverse cultures of our community.

Through effective operational management and financial oversight, commit to maintaining an efficient, effective, financially stable organization.

### **Short Term Goals**

#### Advocacy

Make the case for supporting arts and culture in the community.

Ensure that the arts are "at the table" actively responding to the needs and interests of the community.

Communicate with policy makers to encourage their support of public arts funding

Be a strong vocal and visible leader and advocate for the arts in the community.

Bring arts organizations together for periodic meetings

### Programs and

Services Continue to be a resource, both technical and financial, for arts organizations and artists.

#### Provide funding to area organization through Artreach 28,000 MCACA Minigrants(\$52,600), Hemlock Semi Conductor (\$15,000), Youth Outreach (\$8,000).Total annual regranting: \$103,600

Continue our dual role as funder/granter and community service/program provider.

Provide support services to artists

# Communication & Promotion

Increase awareness of the SAEC and its efforts by building relationships within the community

Increase SAEC presence in social media through website, Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn.

Utilize email marketing to supplement Facebook and ARTifacts.

Provide online Annual Update slideshow through Constant Contact

Promote and market local events through social media and paid advertising

#### Youth and Education

*Youth:* Expand and

implement youth enrichment programs:
+Student art show: Building Unity Through Diversity
+Visiting artist residencies at First Ward Community Center, YMCA, Boys and Girls Club, others.

#### Education

Provide technical assistance to artists and arts and cultural organization

Provide roundtable meetings (SCERT) for constituents to converse and network

### Funding and

**Development** Generate revenue for operations in the following ways: SAEC events and fundraisers, event sponsorships, individual and business memberships, advertising revenue, grants.

Achieve 100% Board giving participation on an annual basis to leverage increased giving from workplaces, foundations, and the community at large

Serve as regional regranter for MCACA providing minigrants for eight counties in mid Michigan's Region 5.

### Operational

**Excellence** Be flexible and adaptive in order to take advantage of opportunities and respond to needs

Encourage board members to be actively engaged as fundraisers, ambassadors, and advocates for the arts.

Develop a strong cadre of volunteers to assist with fundraisers and programs

Encourage collaborations and alliances that create opportunities for program and operational partnerships.