

# **TO OUR STAKEHOLDERS**

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In 2022, our students soared even higher and farther thanks to your continued support. Your generosity and commitment to provide financial footing for our programs has been an integral part of our ability to reach our 14th year. Once again our students stepped up, not only through their musical skills and performances, but also their dedication to hard work and excellence. They pushed themselves yet again to a 100% graduation rate and a 100% pursuit of higher education! Our 2022 alumni are attending such distinguished institutions as Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Dartmouth, Howard University, University of Florida, and Florida International University.

After a year of recovery from the pandemic, 2022 was a year of regrowth and spreading our wings even

further! We opened a sixth program location at the Fienberg-Fisher K-8 Center in Miami Beach, expanded offerings of our national Teaching Artists Training Institute, and solidified a strategic partnership to develop Miami Music Project-modeled programming in the US Virgin Islands! Full scholarships were awarded to 45 students to attend prestigious programs, such as Interlochen Summer Arts Camp, Los Angeles Philharmonic's YOLA National Festival, and the Sphinx Performance Academy, an intensive summer chamber music and solo performance program with a focus on cultural diversity. Furthermore, our students shared stages with true musical giants, Gustavo Dudamel and Joshua Bell.

We are thankful to have successfully navigated the past 14 years through all of the ups and downs that life has thrown our way. We have continued to teach dedicated, hardworking, and passionate youth through different levels of music education and social development, both on and off stage. Our Teaching Artists, Staff, Volunteers, and Board of Trustees have continued to tirelessly dedicate themselves to serving the children and families in our community.

Please take a moment to appreciate the wonderful experiences that this past year has provided to us thanks to your support. I hope you enjoy this Community Report full of all our students' accomplishments, and that you join them in their hope for what's still to come.

You have helped make these accomplishments a reality for Miami's children. With deep gratitude in our hearts, and on behalf of our entire Miami Music Project Family, we **THANK YOU.** 

With love and gratitude,
Anna Klimala
President

# INSPIRING CHANGE

## **Mission**

Miami Music Project uses music as an instrument for social transformation, empowering children to acquire values and achieve their full potential, positively affecting their society through the study and performance of music.

## Goals

- · Develop values of community, sharing, and teamwork
- · Develop creativity, discipline, perseverance, and self-esteem
- $\cdot \,$  Inspire children to reach excellence through their own efforts
- · Improve the school performance of children
- Strengthen the unity of families

# **Equity and Inclusion**

We remain committed to equity and inclusion through our Equity and Inclusion Committee, focused on centering the voices of our students, parents, teachers, and staff.



# IMPACTFUL PROGRAMS



The 2021-2022 school year was a full return to all inperson classes, performances, and travel! We reopened our five community chapters, held our four-week summer camp, and played more community concerts than ever before!

## **Children's Orchestras**

A year-round youth development program, inspired by El Sistema, that teaches life skills through daily music instruction and ensemble rehearsals.

# **Summer Music Camp**

An intensive, four-week camp for returning and brandnew students. Every day, students receive four hours of music instruction, transportation, and lunch for free.

# **Teaching Artist Training Program**

A week-long training program focused on preparing musicians to be effective teachers and mentors in the classroom, responsive to the needs of all students. The initial sessions are supplemented by workshops throughout the school year.

# **Enrichment Opportunities**

Our students receive access to prestigious cultural events, concerts, and workshops through established community partnerships with local and national arts organizations.

# **Orchestra Boot Camps**

An opportunity for students from all of our program sites to come together, step out of their comfort zone, learn new music, and develop new skills during a day-long intensive workshop.



# Pathways/Young Musicians Development Program

A year-round program equipping talented youth with the resources necessary to become professional artists, educators, and leaders in the South Florida community. Students receive access to unique opportunities, musical and non-musical, designed to develop the skills required to be successful in their chosen careers.

# Teaching Artists Training Institute (TATI)

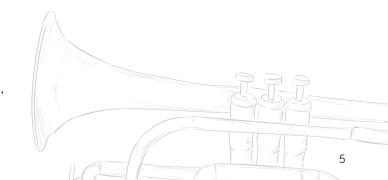


We believe that transformational music education starts with transformational training for teachers. Through our year-long virtual Lab cohort, Regional Practicums, and a week-long Retreat,

TATI supported sixty-eight Teaching Artists from all over the country during its inaugural year.

# Program-In-Alliance: Partners For Strings Virgin Islands Youth Orchestra, U.S. Virgin Islands

Miami Music Project is providing ongoing support, guidance, teaching artist training, and mentorship to the team at Partners for Strings through a Strategic Alliance Agreement. We are dedicated to helping them launch their program, sharing programmatic and administrative resources and practices, and assisting with their faculty training to see USVI children and families gain access to this potentially life-transforming opportunity.



The 2021-2022 school year was a full return to in-person classes for Miami Music Project! All of our chapter sites reopened with classes **five days a week** and more live performances in our community than ever before. Our students, Teaching Artists, and staff could not have been more excited to be back together again.

## LEVELS I AND II

Little Haiti

Toussaint L'Ouverture Elementary Miami Springs Miami Springs Elementary Liberty City Charles R. Drew K-8 Center

## **COMMUNITY CHAPTERS**

Miami Gardens
Carol City Elementary
Miami Beach-New Chapter,
Opened September 2022
Fienberg-Fisher K-8 Center

LEVELS III, IV, V Little Havana Citrus Grove Middle

## **CHAPTER-IN-ALLIANCE**

Partners for Strings Virgin Islands Youth Orchestra



## FREE BUS TRANSPORTATION

for select locations, concerts, and events.



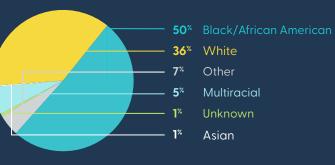
## **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PARTNERSHIP**

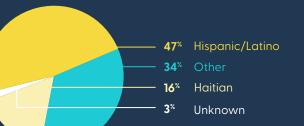
Miami Music Project has a longstanding community partnership with Miami-Dade County Public Schools and has been a recipient of the Superintendent's Choice Award and Miami-Dade County Public Schools School Board Proclamations.

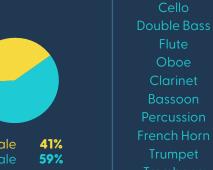
# BY THE NUMBERS

619 Students Served 352 Children's Orchestras
135 Orchestra
Bootcamps
352 Children's
Orchestra
Summer
Music Camp









275
Teaching Hours

Per Student, Per Year

Student 2 9

Performances



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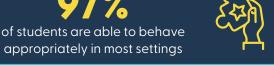
# WHEN THEY PERFORM, THEY TRANSFORM

# **SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING**

100%

of students have close friendships within the program, an increase from 77% at the beginning of the year

97% of students are able to behave



of our students' happiness increased throughout the program

# ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT



100% of all graduating seniors pursue higher education



100% showed artistic growth and

increased musical skills

96%

will self-select to learn more about things that interest them

## **HERE'S WHAT OUR PARENTS HAVE TO SAY ABOUT THE PROGRAM:**

99% feel that Miami Music Project offers equal opportunities to all of the students it serves

90% say that participation in the program increased their child's confidence

## **EVALUATION TOOLS**

- · YouthARTS & Science Post-**Program Participant Skills** Assessment
- · Educational Engagement Teen Survey
- · Hello Insight, Elementary SEL Pre- and Post-Test
- · Positive Youth Development Inventory Retrospective Pre-Test and Post-Test
- · Miami Music Project Parent Surveys created by the FIU Community Based Research Institute.



# **COMPOSING DREAMS**

100% of Miami Music Project graduates pursue higher education!



Santiago Alvarez, Clarinet Miami-Dade College Music Education

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Kalimah Muhammad, Viola

Ricardo Mendez. Cello Dartmouth College Physics and Astronomy



Franklin Pavon. Trombone **Amanda Paredes.** Double Bass Florida International Massachusetts Institute of University Technology Music Education **Computer Science** 



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# **Amanda Paredes. Double Bass** Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)

Amanda moved to Miami from Mexico. Shortly after she arrived, she joined Miami Music Project while classes were virtual! Amanda was excited to finally meet everyone in person and perform with the Leaders Orchestra at the North Beach Bandshell and New World Center this past year. She is attending MIT, where she studies computer science and economics.



## **Ruth Joseph, Trombone University of Florida**

Ruth joined Miami Music Project at our Little Haiti Chapter ten years ago! As she progressed in her musical studies, she eventually joined our top orchestra. As a member of the Leaders Orchestra. Ruth performed dozens of concerts and received multiple scholarships to Interlochen's Summer Arts Camp. Ruth was the valedictorian of last year's Miami Music Project graduating class. She also graduated from her high school with honors. She was accepted to the University of Florida on a full scholarship and plans to become a pediatrician.







# A YEAR OF CONNECTION



Teaching Artists
prepare for
the season by
attending the
week-long
Teaching Artist
Training Program
to hone their
classroom skills.

MusicLab mentoring program with New World Symphony Fellows resumes.

The **Teaching Artist Training**Institute launches its first
Virtual Lab Cohort with over
40 participants from around
the country.

Jazz Artist and Board Member Nicole Henry **records music video featuring** Liberty City Chapter students. Our advanced student orchestras perform at New World Center for our Winter Concert.

Our beginner ensembles perform at their chapters as part of our Winter Concert Series. Leaders
Orchestra
students meet
Joshua Bell,
performing
with Bell and
the Academy
of St. Martin in
the Fields at the
Adrienne Arsht
Center in Miami.

Students perform for the very first time at the Miami Beach Bandshell in a concert titled "UnClassical: Celebrating Miami's Musical Diversity!" The performance features the Leaders Orchestra

and many special guests.

41 new students, participate in Miami Music Project's Summer Music Camp. 10 seniors in the

137 students, including

10 seniors in the program graduate high school and continue on to higher education.

June

2021-2022 Children's Orchestras programming returns fully in-person with over 350 students at 5 locations.

Miami Herald highlights Miami Music Project's work teaching students life skills through instruments.

Community support raised for our Children's Orchestras at Give Miami Day's 10th
Anniversary event.

Miami Music Project establishes U.S. Virgin Islands Program-In-Alliance: Partners for Strings Virgin Islands Youth Orchestra. Advanced Orchestras Spring Concert held at Gusman Hall at the University of Miami.

The Teaching Artists Training Institute holds Regional Practicums in Chicago and Philadelphia, with almost 30 Teaching Artists in attendance.

Interlochen Arts Camp

representatives visit Miami to award over 40 students full scholarships to this prestigious summer camp in Michigan. Beginner ensembles from all chapters perform together as one orchestra in the Fantastic Season Finale at FIU.

MusicLab students perform a sideby-side concert with New World Symphony Fellows.

Joins other community organizations for the Miami Gardens Youth Music Festival.

President Anna Klimala presents a roundtable discussion at the Americans for the Arts Conference in Washington, DC. Nearly 40 students attend the prestigious Interlochen Arts Camp on full scholarship!

Prepares for the opening of the sixth community chapter in Miami Beach.

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# OUR STUDENTS MAKING MOVES!

# **YOLA National Festival**

Five students were accepted into the Youth Orchestra Los Angeles National Festival, where they had the opportunity to perform under the direction of **Gustavo Dudamel** at **Walt Disney Concert Hall.** Congrats to Sophia Lehrmann (oboe), Antonella Sarria (violin), Isabella Sarria (violin), Valeria Alvarez (bass) and Niccole Torres (clarinet) for your participation in the YOLA National Festival!



Our oboe student Sophia Lehrmann was accepted to the year-round **Interlochen Arts Academy** 

# **Interlochen Arts Camp Scholarships**

Over 40 students were awarded full scholarships to attend summer camp at Interlochen.

# **Gala and Stanley Cohen Scholarship**

With this scholarship, our alum Franklin Pavon is attending FIU to pursue a bachelor's degree in Music Education. Thank you to Stanley and Gala Cohen for their generosity and this incredible opportunity!

# Joshua Bell, St. Martin in the Fields Orchestra Performance

Students perform alongside world-renowned violinist,

Joshua Bell, and the Academy of St. Martin in the Fields

Orchestra at the Arsht Center. Many thanks to the Miami

Chamber Music Society for this opportunity!

# Sphinx Performance Academy and Black Violin Foundation Scholarship

Giah Bush, a member of our Leaders Orchestra, was accepted to the prestigious Sphinx Performance Academy and awarded a scholarship for her travel from the Black Violin Foundation.





# **FROM A STUDENT** TO A TEACHER

Seth became a viola student of Miami Music **Project in 2017.** After his first year in the program, he successfully auditioned for Interlochen Summer Arts Camp, earning himself a full scholarship. During his time at Interlochen, Seth was inspired to study conducting. His senior year, he accomplished his goal by conducting a piece on the Christmas Concert at his high school. Seth is currently a college student at New World School of the Arts and a Teaching Artist at Miami Music Project.

# **Teaching Artists**

Our students are mentored by accomplished musicians and educators who provide musical, social, and academic guidance.

Charles Abrams Fabiana Alvarez Michael Andrews Israel Aragon Javier Aragon Jose Arvelo Lucas Balslov Tarcisio Barreto D'Addona Daniel Belloso Carlos Bianculli **Andres Candamil** Isaac Casal Marian Castro Mitchell Cloutier

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# **Our Investment in Local Professional Talent**



**TEACHING** 

\*former student, now a Teaching Artist 17

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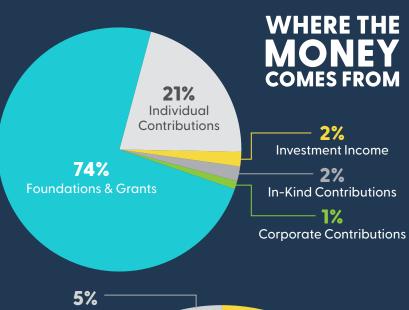
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# **FINANCIALS**







Clarinetist Santiago Alvarez spent seven years as a student in Miami Music Project. During his time in the program, he earned several full scholarships to Interlochen Arts Camp and attended the YOLA National Symposium. While in high school, Santiago balanced his time between orchestra rehearsals and baseball practice. A recent graduate of Miami Music Project, he is now a student at Miami-Dade College studying Music Education. Santiago recently became the Site Coordinator at Miami Music Project's Little Havana Chapter where he serves as a mentor to younger students.



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