

A Silent Auction Fundraiser:

To Support and Introduce ZCAF's Two Hands' on Workshop (HOW) Programs

Tuesday, June 28, 2016, 5:00-9:30 pm

At 7750 16th Street NW, Washington, DC 20012

For tickets and more information about ZCAF's HOW Programs,
Please call 202-783-8005 or 202-783-2963

This fundraising event is being hosted by
The Washington Ethical Society
A Ward 4 Non-Profit <http://www.ethicalsociety.org>

The evening will feature a Silent Art Auction, Delectable Bites, Wine, Music and much more!
Food is provided through a partnership with FRESH START Catering, DC Central Kitchen

Honorary Chairperson, Ward 4 Councilman, Brandon Todd. Councilman Todd previously worked in the Council office of The Honorable Muriel Bowser, Mayor of the District of Columbia.

Ron Nessen, former White House Press Secretary will be Master of Ceremony.
Mr. Nessen also served NBC News as a war correspondent during the Vietnam War.

Summer 2016 "Adult Hands' on Workshops" For DC young adults ages 18-24

This educational program is being hosted by DC Arts Studios
A Ward 4 Art Non-Profit <https://dcartsstudios.org/>

Fall 2016 "After-School Hands' On Workshops" For DCPS teens ages 13-18

Through a ZCAF Partnership with District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS)/ DCPS Out-of-School-Time-Programs Office (OSTP).

These after-school career-focused arts classes are being Hosted Through a ZCAF Partnership with Columbia Heights Educational Complex (CHEC).

Both HOW programs have been endorsed by the DC Office of Employment Services/Youth Programs Office, whose mission is to provide Employment Services for residents ages 14-24.

HOW is designed to encourage teens (ages 13-18) to develop career-focused skills, with a focus on careers in the arts, and will emphasize "soft skills" such as: healthy risk-taking, appropriate self-expression, time management, teamwork, and effective communication in a 60-hour program wherein participants develop a portfolio. ZCAF is an approved. "Out of School Time Program Provider" for DCPS. ZCAF maintains a site partnership with Columbia Heights Educational Complex (CHEC). Our HOW for DCPS students has been endorsed and funded (in part) by the DC Office of Employment Services/ Youth Programs Office. HOW curriculum is be aligned with both the National Core Visual Arts Education Standards and the DCPS Arts Curriculum Standards and Cornerstones.

Adult HOW is designed to get young adults (ages 18-24) on the path towards becoming an established, professional artist. Adult HOW is a 90-hour program, being hosted by the DC Art Studios, through a partnership we have with this Ward 4 non-profit. Adult HOW is funded (in part) by the DC Office of Employment Services. It too features a 60-hour portfolio development component that emphasizes the same concepts as the teen program, but expands the learning and includes many 30 hours of Arts Career Counseling, devoted specifically to getting participants jobs, apprenticeships, internships, and/or acceptance into an art school.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

In a world inundated with a bewildering array of messages and meanings, an arts education also helps young people explore, understand, accept, and use ambiguity and subjectivity. In art as in life, there is often no clear or “right” answer to questions that are nonetheless worth pursuing (“Should the trees in this painting be a little darker shade of green?”). Such nuanced thinking is in high demand on the job site, and employers value an employee who is capable of understanding ‘why’ beyond simply, robotically following instructions and completing tasks mindlessly. Such workers are valued for their ability to communicate, to learn, and to problem-solve.

The arts bring excitement and exhilaration to the learning process. Study and competence reinforce each other; students become increasingly interested in learning, add new dimensions to what they already know, and enhance their expectations for learning even more. The joy of learning becomes real, tangible, powerful. Students who enjoy learning will remain in school, continue their educations, and organically apply their love of learning to all facets of their life: personal, social, career, and community interactions. An education in the arts facilitates successful hiring; long-term, gainful employment and promotion in one’s career.

TICKETS \$45 [Click to Purchase Tickets](#)

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In the future Zenith Community Arts Foundation will be building mobile teaching unit to offer additional adult programming.

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