



## Arts and Culture Advisory Commission

January 15, 2026

**David Small**

*Chair*

Arts and Culture Advisory Commission

**Martine Elyse Philippe**

*Director*

Office of Arts and Culture



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## Director Philippe Recommendation the Public Art Committee

**Maria May** has over 20 years of experience in arts communications and management, specializing in the launch of new organizations and building brands from the ground up, both on the client side and with Resnicow and Associates.

Maria is a graduate of the dual-degree arts management program at Southern Methodist University, where she earned a master's degree in arts through the Meadows School of the Arts and master's in business administration at the Cox School of Business. She also holds a Bachelor of Arts in history and Italian from the University of Notre Dame. Maria is a member of the board of directors of the Mid-America Arts Alliance (MAAA) and has served as an adjunct professor in the SMU arts management program

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# Cultural Spotlight: Outloud

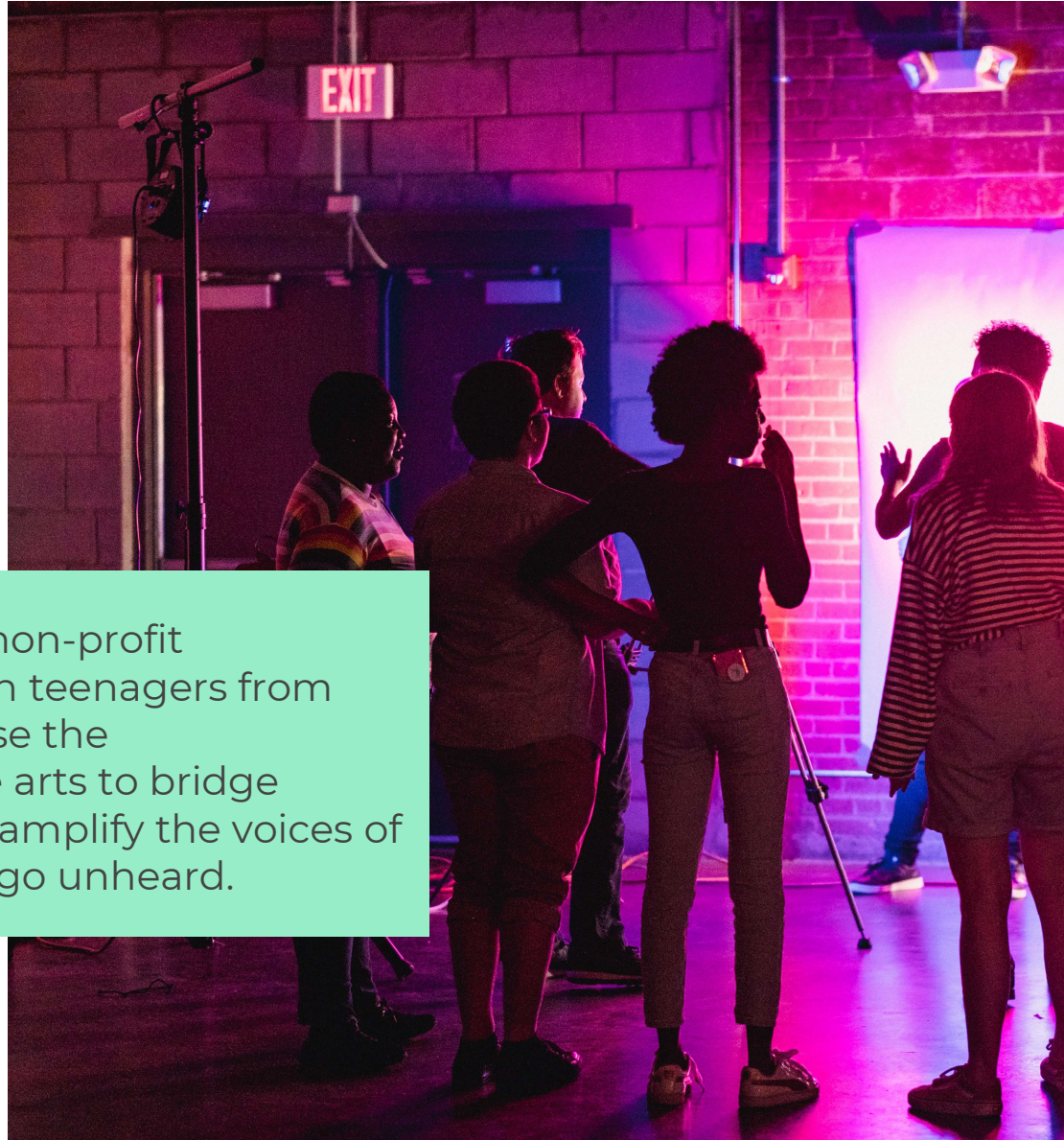
# OUTLOUD DALLAS



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## WHO WE ARE

OutLoud Dallas is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization that works with teenagers from across the metroplex. We use the transformative power of the arts to bridge divides, create change, and amplify the voices of young people that so often go unheard.





# ILLUMINATED VOICES

## SPOKEN WORD POETRY EVENT SERIES

- A spoken word and music performance series that invites youth and featured adult poets to share their voices
- Each event draws between 100 – 300 attendees
- We typically bring 4 – 7 schools to each event

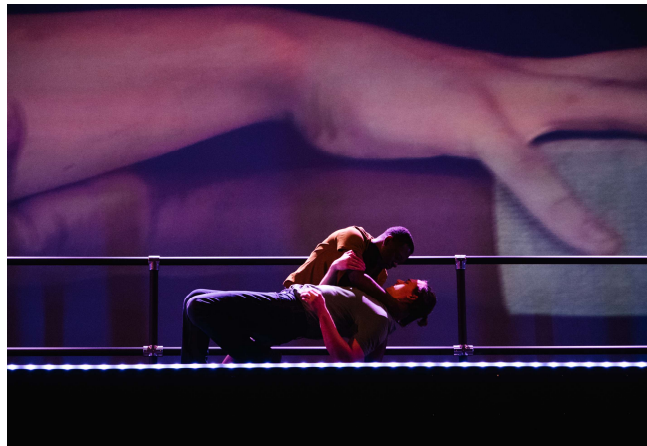




# OUTLOUD VOICES

## DEVISED THEATER

- Youth involved with all facets of the production from playwriting to technical direction
- Young people will work with a team of professional arts to help execute their vision and share their voices with the community





# OUTLOUD VOICES

## LATINO CULTURAL CENTER

- 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024
- Visual and performing arts programming
- 3-weeks, M-F, 8am-5pm
- 24 participants, 5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>
- Free for participants



# OUTLOUD VOICES

## BATH HOUSE CULTURAL CENTER

- 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025
- Visual and performing arts programming
- 3-weeks, M-F, 8am-5pm
- 15 participants, 5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>
- Free for participants



# CELESTINA DEL SOL

## MOBILE ART STUDIO

- Visits 30 schools annually
- Provides self-reflective art activities and workshops to youth and teachers in public schools throughout the metroplex



# HEARTH SUMMIT DALLAS

## ARTS AND WELLBEING SUMMIT FOR CHANGEMAKERS

- Inaugural summit in 2025
- In collaboration with the global organization, the Wellbeing Project
- Uses the arts and community building to promote wellbeing for changemakers



# OUTLOUD OPEN HOUSE

## SPACE FOR PROJECTS THAT AMPLIFY YOUTH VOICE

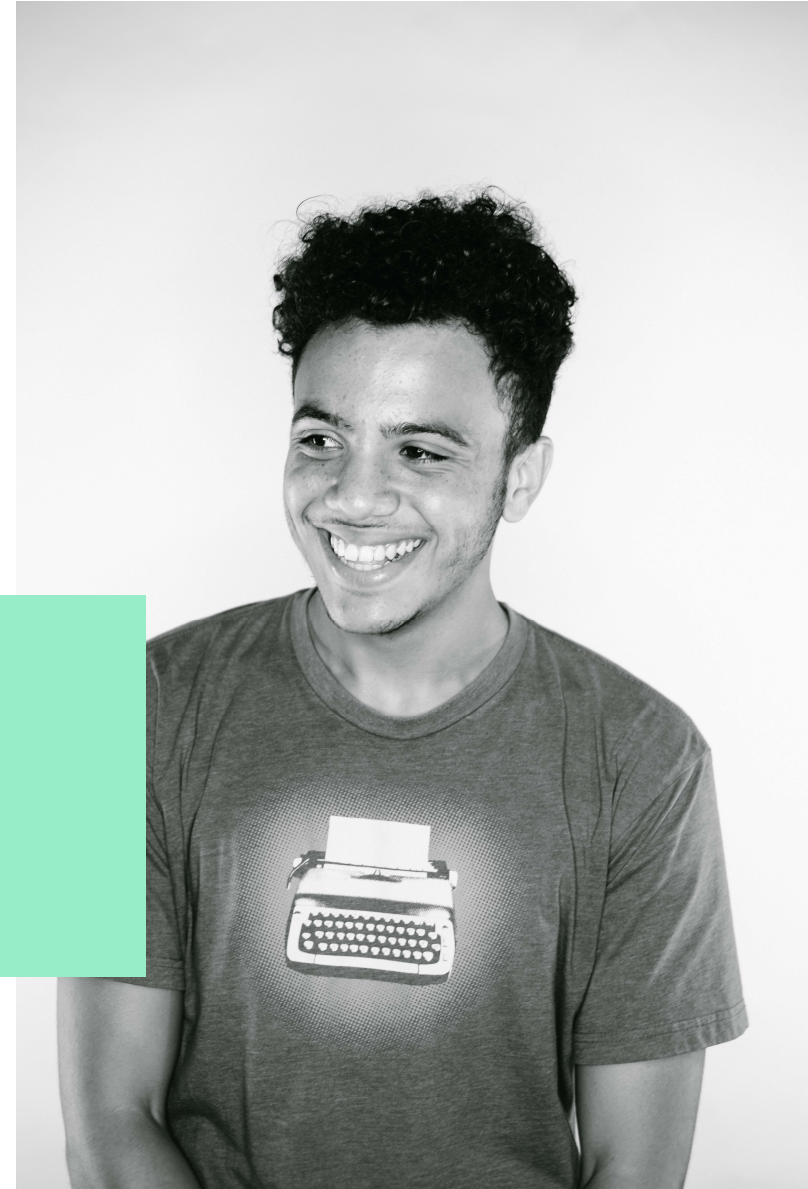
- Rehearsal, performance and exhibition space for artists and groups in alignment with our mission
- OutLoud provides technical support and free access to space



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## IMPACT

- Access
- Audience
- Artistic and Social Emotional Growth



# OUTLOUD 2025 BY THE NUMBERS



**Students  
Served**



**Community  
Audience  
Served**



**Program  
Hours**



**Educators  
Served**

# OUTLOUD 2025 BY THE NUMBERS

Youth from

**32**

different zip codes  
served

Public programs in

**17**

Zip codes

**32**

Local artists hired

**87%**

Of participants and  
their families report  
a lack of consistent  
access to arts  
programs and  
equipment/supplies

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# Briefing Memo: ArtsActivate 2026 Round 2 Allocations

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**214 DAY:  
SHOW LOVE  
FOR DALLAS**

FRIDAY  
FEB. 13  
2026

NOON TO 1 P.M.  
DALLAS CITY HALL LOBBY  
1500 MARILLA ST.  
DALLAS, TX 75201

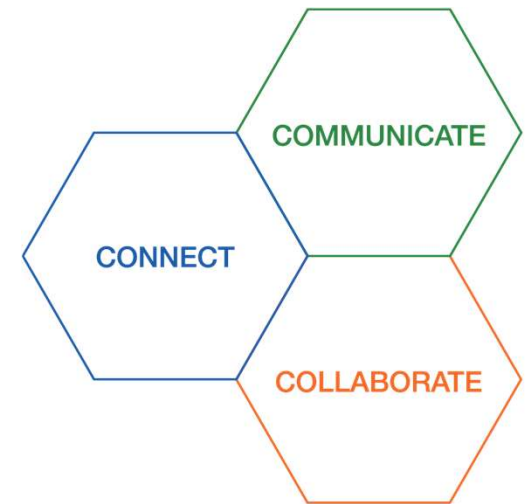
FREE ADMISSION!

Come out to the second annual 214 Day: Show Love for Dallas event designed to celebrate the rich culture and spirit of the city through the arts.

Take part in the unique artistic experiences that bring together our #DallasCulture, contributing individual expressions to our thriving community.

#DALLASLOVE214

City of Dallas Arts & Culture



# Upcoming Meetings and Events

## CAP 2026-27 Guideline Engagement Sessions

- January 20, 2026 | 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. | South Dallas Cultural Center
- January 23, 2026 | 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. | TBD

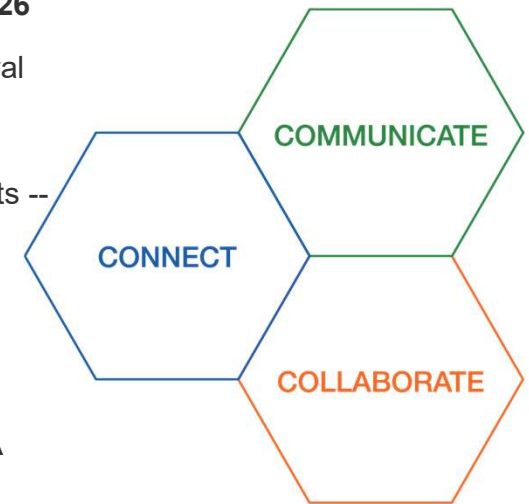
## ArtsActivate 2026-27 Guideline Engagement Sessions

- February 26, 2026 | 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. | TBD
- February 27, 2026 | 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. | TBD

## Artist Showcase: ArtsActivation 2026

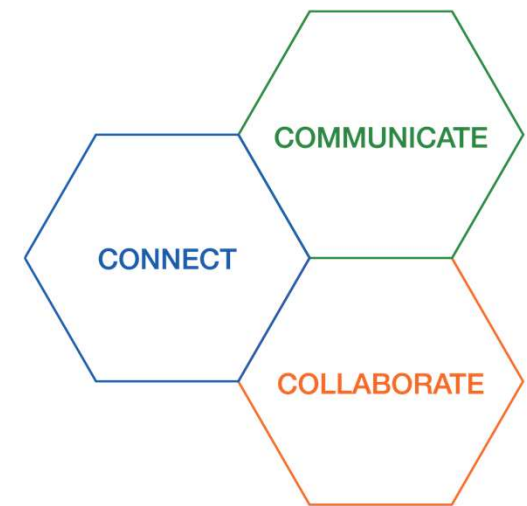
January 30, 2026 | Bath House Cultural Center

- 11:30 – noon | Meet the Artists -- doors open for refreshments
- 12:00 – 1:30 | Artist presentations and Q&A



## Upcoming Meetings and Events

- Public Art Committee, Committee Chair, Krista Weinstien – (February 3, 2026)
- Allocations Committee, Committee Chair Mickie Bragalone – (February 5, 2026)
- **Arts and Culture Advisory Commission, Chair David Small – (February 19, 2026)**





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