# ARTIST TRUST | 2019 ANNUAL REPORT



Wear the sun in your heart, Joey Veltkamp, 72"x96", 2019. Photo: Courtesy of the artist. Joey Veltkamp is a 2019 Artist Trust GAP recipient from Bremerton, WA.

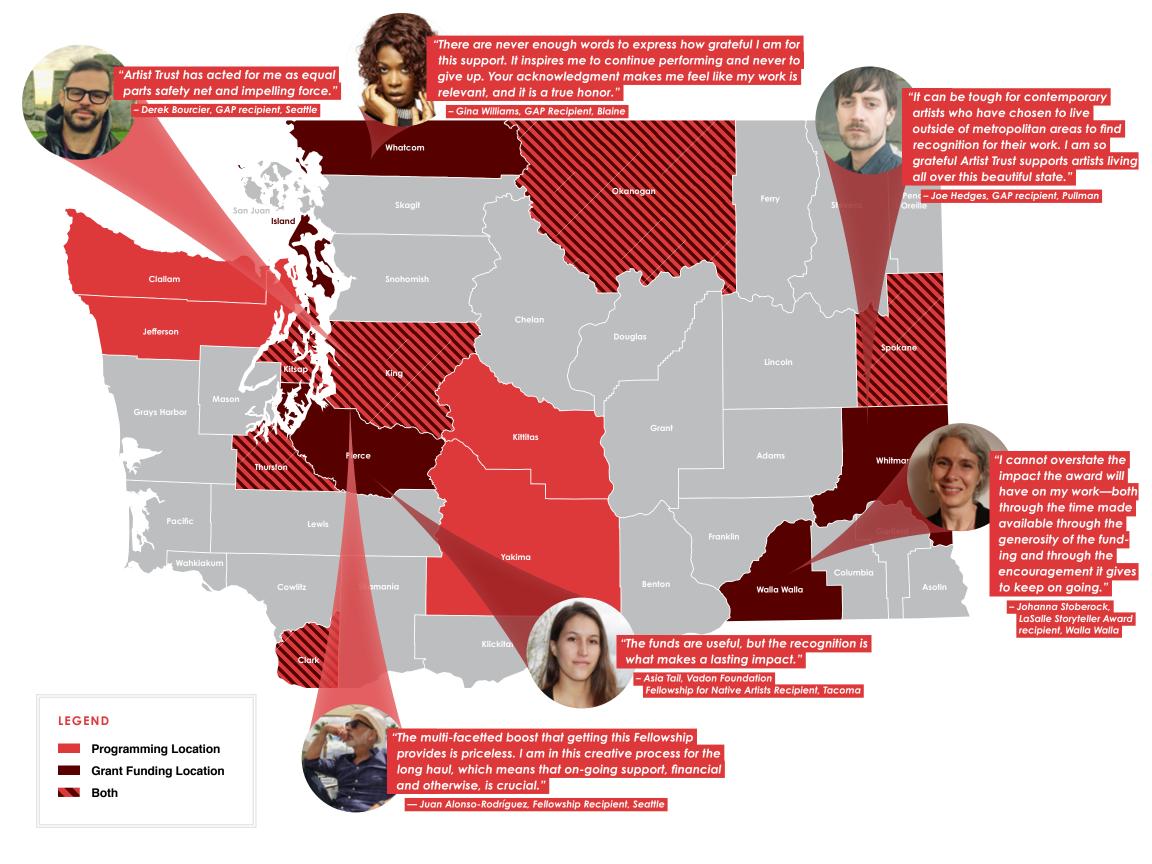
# Join Us in Celebrating Our 2019 Accomplishments

We have a lot to celebrate! In 2019 we granted over \$320,000 to 116 artists of all disciplines from every corner of our state, reached over 2,000 artists through over 60 in-person workshops and events in 13 counties statewide, and reached another 46,000 people through our online resources and opportunities. Meet our grant recipients here: artistrust.org/meet-the-artists

# Highlights include:

- We increased our Fellowship Awards from \$7,500 to \$10,000, and granted 13 Fellowship Awards in 2019. Artist Trust established our Fellowship Awards in 1987 to recognize Washington State artists of exceptional talent and ability in every discipline.
- We partnered with artist Ginny Ruffner to offer the SOLA (Support Old Lady Artists) Awards, granting three unrestricted awards of \$3,000 annually to recognize Washington State female-identified visual artists, age 60 or over, who have dedicated 25 years or more to creating art.
- We partnered with Artist Trust co-founder Anne Focke and artist Matthew Offenbacher to provide \$16K in scholarships to 18 artist organizers from across Washington State to attend the 2019 Common Field Convening, a multi-day gathering of 450+ visual arts organizers. The program was created in response to the need for the region's arts organizers to contribute to the national conversation on artist issues and amplify the important work happening in the Pacific Northwest.
- We launched the Vadon Foundation Fellowship Award for Native Artists, a new grant through the Fellowship Award program recognizing a Native Artist of any discipline. This grant aligns with Artist Trust's racial equity, and is supported by the Vadon Foundation, a Seattle-based foundation committed to sustaining healthy, thriving Indigenous nations. The first recipient was visual artist, Asia Tail, who made an unprecedented decision to share half of her award with thirteen Native artists between the ages of 16–21.

- We piloted our first Art Business Night School program outside of King County. Led by artist and arts business consultant Dorothy Bocian in Vancouver WA, the six-week session, Applying for Grants, Residencies, & Other Opportunities, provided artists in Clark County with the skills and best practices to pursue support for their work. With Dorothy's guidance, they created artist statements, resumes, and other application materials and learned how to find opportunities. One participant, Judy Rose, went on to receive a 2019 GAP Award.
- In partnership with Artist Trust founding director David Mendoza, and offered through the Fellowship Award program, we created the Yayasan Bali Purnati (YBP) Residency, a one-month international residency in Bali awarded annually to a Washington State artist of any discipline. YBP facilitates early-stage collaborations between artists and producers; initiates multicultural and multidisciplinary workshops; publishes original works; and more. The 2019 recipient was visual artist, Romson Bustillo.
- In 2019, we launched a brand-new website, partially in response to artists who have said they are most interested in receiving professional development training online. In fall 2020, with support from the Murdock Charitable Trust, we'll begin offering online workshops and expand the Resources section of our website, giving artists all over Washington State access to our professional development programs.





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In 2019 we continued to grow support for the Campaign for a Creative Future, reaching 75% of our \$3.5 million goal. This effort to raise capital and invest in sustained funding for artists will ensure that our grant and professional development programs continue as a resource for generations. To support this important Campaign, please contact Kristina Goetz, goetz@artisttrust.org.

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