



UNIVERSITY *of* WEST FLORIDA

HISTORIC TRUST

ANNUAL REPORT 2022-23

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Message from HISTORIC TRUST LEADERSHIP

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As an organization, we have been committed to collecting, preserving, interpreting and sharing the history of Northwest Florida since our inception. Over the years, the stories and perspectives we share have expanded and provided a more holistic view of our region and who we are today. These stories clarify where we have been and shape where we are going.

A perfect representation of this historical reflection is the POP:Murals project created by the Historic Trust Murals Committee. Dynamic scenes from Pensacola's past are now on display throughout downtown in the POP:Murals trail. Through the hard work of the committee over the last few years, there are now seven prominent mural locations with more murals being planned for future installation. The POP:Murals were the centerpiece for the POP Odyssey event on November 8, 2023 held in partnership with Foo Foo Festival in which participants enjoyed a trolley tour throughout the city to each of the mural sites. We welcome more additions to the mural trail as we expand our footprint throughout downtown.

Last year, the Pensacola Museum of Art was also fortunate enough to partner with Foo Foo Festival to host two events inspired by the Vandals to Vanguard exhibit on view at the PMA from November 2022 to January 2023. An Art Factory event at Vinyl Music Hall and a Block Party on Jefferson Street punctuated the festival week with large crowds, unique programming and pop art activities. The exhibit was only made possible by the generosity of Lewis and Belle Bear, David and Cindi Bear, Maria and David Goldberg, Edward Tisdale and Cory Wilkinson who allowed us to borrow from their personal art collections.

Lewis Bear Jr. passed in March of this year. He left a legacy of philanthropy, volunteerism and devoted community involvement. Our organization is deeply indebted to Lewis Bear Jr. and the Bear family for their ardent support of our museums over the years. He will be greatly missed in our community.

To everyone that visited, donated, volunteered or supported the UWF Historic Trust over the last year – we thank you for your patronage. We aim to better serve the Pensacola community year after year and your support allows us to pursue that mission.



ROB OVERTON

Executive Director, UWF Historic Trust



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UWF Vice President, University Advancement

2022-2023

BY THE NUMBERS

HISTORIC DOWNTOWN CAMPUS

School Tours: 5,060
Birthday Parties: 1,575
Special Programs: 440
Private Tour Attendees: 123
Admissions (Onsite): 50,580
Admissions (Online): 3,955
Special Event Attendees: 135,783
Total Visitors: 197,516

PENSACOLA MUSEUM OF ART

Schoolchildren and Birthday Parties: 2,874
Special Programs: 2,191
Admissions: 9,324
Total Visitors: 14,389

ARCADIA MILL

Total Visitors: 690



212,595

TOTAL VISITORS



4,582

VOLUNTEER HOURS

JULY 2022- JUNE 2023

EXHIBITS

HISTORY EXHIBITS

50 YEARS OF THE GREAT GULF COAST ARTS FESTIVAL

September 15, 2022- February 1, 2023

This exhibit, located on the second floor of the Pensacola Museum of History gave visitors a look back at the 50 years of GGAF and how far the event has come.

LOST PENSACOLA

October 1, 2022-

This exhibit by Joe Vinson includes 12 poster designs of lost Pensacola landmarks, each done in a style reminiscent of the building's heyday, with historical information and related artifacts on display in Voices of Pensacola.

MUSICALLY INCLINED: A HISTORY OF PENSACOLA'S JAZZ SCENE

March 6, 2023-

This exhibit in Voices of Pensacola provides a glimpse of jazz history in Northwest Florida.

BLACK LIVES MATTER MURAL DISPLAY

May 19, 2023 -

This mural painted by UWF students for the Black Lives Matter movement is supplemented with images from Grant Tyson of the Graffiti Bridge protests after the murder of George Floyd.

INNOVATIONS OF YESTERYEAR: AN OBJECT TOUR OF THE WORLD'S FAIR

June 15, 2023-

This exhibit on view on the second floor of the Pensacola Museum of History spotlights collection items centered around the theme of the World's Fair.

ART EXHIBITS

SEANCE: PHOTOGRAPHS BY SHANNON TAGGART

September 16- December 4, 2022

This photography exhibit explored the communities and phenomena associated with Spiritualism, including séance circles, mediumship, and the objects and technological devices used to aid communication with spirits.

[SET APART] PERMANENT COLLECTION EXHIBITION

September 30-October 23, 2022

This exhibit featured a small sampling of the more than 700 items in the PMA permanent collection and provided a behind-the-scenes look into exhibit design.

FROM THE COLLECTION: PMA GLASS

September 30-January 15, 2023

This exhibit highlighted The Nettles Family Collection of art glass which is part of the PMA's permanent collection.



Visitors enjoying "Innovations of Yesteryear: An Object Tour of the World's Fair" inside the Pensacola Museum of History

VANDALS TO VANGUARDS: FROM POP ART TO STREET ART

November 3, 2022- January 8, 2023

Occupying the museum's entire second floor, the exhibition featured contemporary masterpieces by pop favorites like Andy Warhol and Keith Haring alongside current notorious street artists like Banksy and Mr. Brainwash.

STEAM2023

December 16, 2022- April 9, 2023

This exhibit was a community-centered, educational experience engaging contemporary art with science and new technologies. Artwork on display investigated concepts related to the environment, biology, digital interfaces, and speculative fictions/imagined futures.

69TH ANNUAL YOUTH ART FOCUS

January 20-February 26, 2023

This annual exhibition highlights the best work from art students and educators from Escambia County School District.

EMPOWERED EXPRESSION: GIVING DIMENSION TO DISABLED VOICES

January 20-February 26, 2023

This exhibition featured artwork created by the Arc Gateway program participants, all of whom are individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The show highlighted the many talents and abilities of the students, challenging one-dimensional depiction of those with disabilities.

THE MEMBERS SHOW

March 10-May 28, 2023

The Members Show is an annual juried exhibition open to Pensacola Museum of Art members. This year's exhibit included featured works by the 2022 Best in Show Winner, Nonney Oddlokken.

SYNTHESIS: BFA EXIT EXHIBITION

April 21-May 14, 2023

This show featured work by graduating Bachelor of Fine Art students from the UWF Department of Art and Design.



Exhibit views inside of "Hotsy-Totsy-Vroom-O-Rama" at the Pensacola Museum of Art

309: PUNK ARTIST IN RESIDENCE SHOWCASE

April 21-September 3, 2023

This exhibition is the inaugural Artist in Residence Annual Exhibition featuring artists participating in the 2022 "309 Punk Project" Artist-in-Residence Program. The exhibition features works donated to the 309 Archive and is curated by Valerie George, Sean Linezo, and Christopher Satterwhite.

DEPTH OF FIELD: EXPLORING THE HISTORY OF PHOTOGRAPHY

May 26-October 22, 2023

This exhibit showcases photography from the Pensacola Museum of Art's permanent collection alongside objects from the UWF Historic Trust Archives.

HOUSE PENCIL GREEN: HOTSY-TOTSY-VROOM-O-RAMA

June 9- September 17, 2023

House Pencil Green is the interdisciplinary studio of Joseph Herring and Amy Ruddick. Their exhibition at the is part of a body of work in which the pair explore connections between the 'art of the carný' and the 'carnavalesque tendencies of the artist.'

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