



Rob Montagnese, Chair

A Message from The Works Board of Trustees

In a year like no other, 2020 challenged us to live and work differently for the public good. Those of us privileged to serve in healthcare, education and other roles supporting our communities quickly doubled down on our missions, applying purpose, creativity and tenacity to our work in order to create a brighter future.

As Board Chair, I am proud to report that in 2020 The Works turned the challenges into new ways of serving. When the museum's doors were temporarily closed, The Works launched new virtual programs in history, science and the arts, reaching hundreds in the process. Virtual summer camps and classroom programs engaged students at a time when families and teachers critically needed support. Virtual events such as Girls STEAM Ahead inspired middle and high school students with personal "how I got there" stories from women in engineering, tech, design, science, business, and medicine. And community outreach became a new capability for The Works team, who planned, built and delivered nearly 7,000 Works@Home Mini STEM Kits to grateful families and children throughout the area.

At the same time, our community remained generous and supportive. The Works Annual Fund giving reached new highs from individuals, and corporations, foundations and other funders were unwavering in their support. The Works also received federal CARES Act funding awarded by the Board of Licking County Commissioners for STEM outreach programs and the new Works On Wheels van. This support ensures that The Works' mission continues strong.

New capabilities and reach grew at The Works in 2020 - and ultimately all of us in our community benefit. On behalf of the Board of Trustees, thank you for all you do to build a brighter future for our community through your support of The Works.

Sincerely,

Robert A. Montagnese



Habitat

Habitats provide homes for all living things, from the tiniest ant to the tallest tree. **Join us June 5, 2021 for our 25th Anniversary event and the opening of the Smithsonian Habitat exhibit** in The Works LeFevre Courtyard. Thank you to the early donors who contributed in 2020:

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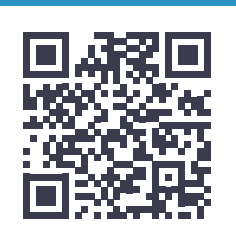
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IMPACT REPORT 2020



2020 Timeline of Events

281 STUDENTS PARTICIPATED IN STEM FEST CHALLENGES!

FEBRUARY

- History Café
- Cocktails by the Fire: Scotland
- Curious Kids
- Jr. Scientists: Science Fiction
- Make Your Own Glass Heart
- Girls Night In: Forensics
- Make Your Own Glass Egg
- STEM Studio: Animal Adaptations
- Fused Glass Workshop
- Behind the Science: Visual Perception: Contributions from Art History
- **STEMfest!**
- Kids Tech University (Jan-Apr)

THE WORKS CREATED 19 NEW PROGRAMS IN 2020!

MARCH

- Curious Kids
- Jr. Scientists: Women in STEM
- History Café
- Closed museum due to pandemic on March 17
- In-person programming cancelled
- Began brainstorming ways to engage with families at home
- **Construction continued on Streetscape & History Walk**

APRIL-MAY

- Just Wingin' It, AIR show – Kathryn Starrs: released as a virtual experience
- The Art of World Textiles art gallery show: moved to spring 2021 – preview released
- **AR (Augmented Reality) Mastodon released in partnership with Cyanna and Origami Made** Volunteer Appreciation Week
- The Works offered SciDome films at home through partnership with Spitz
- Giving Tuesday
- **Free STEM Toy Giveaway in partnership with Good360, Didomi 7+ and STEM sponsors**
- The Clio App is launched, an online tour of Works history exhibits
- History@Home: History of Hudson Avenue

FACILITATED 140 SCHOOL PROGRAMS FOR K-12 STUDENTS!

JUNE

- **Works@Home kits launched; every purchase provided a free kit to a family in need thanks to the Works Gives Back initiative funded by sponsors**
- The Works' team worked from home to provide awesome virtual programming
- Virtual Summer Camps and @Home experiences
- Works meeting room was transformed into a staging area for cleaning and creating Works@Home kits

JULY

- **The Works reopened to members with new safety guidelines**
- **Art Gallery Opening: "No Mere Button-Pressers: Clarence H. White, Ema Spencer, and The Newark Camera Club" – joint exhibition by The Works and Columbus Museum of Art**
- Virtual Summer Camps
- Museum reclosed due to pandemic

WE TRAVELED 2,175 MILES TO PROVIDE STEM & ART KITS!

AUGUST-SEPTEMBER

- The Works opened an Etsy shop with hand-made glass for purchase online
- **Streetscape & History Walk construction was completed, Steam Engine placed on display in glass house**
- Virtual Opportunities continued with SciDome@Home, History@Home, and CK@Home
- CARES Act funding was awarded to The Works thanks to the Board of Licking County Commissioners
- Works began mini STEM kit giveaways by partnering with libraries (made possible by STEM grants and CARES Act funds)

OCTOBER

- **Works staff continued mini STEM kit giveaways with partner organizations**
- Works reopened to the public
- Memberships extended for 6 months
- Two new SciDome Shows released
- **Streetscape & History Walk opened with support from donors**
- Pumpkins in the Courtyard glass sale
- Homeschool Days began, a monthly program for homeschoolers and their families
- Girls STEAM Ahead: new virtual program introduced middle and high school students to women in science, technology, engineering, art & math

DISTRIBUTED A TOTAL OF 6,750 MINI KITS TO FAMILIES!

NOVEMBER

- Annual Fund launched with campaign to customize bricks and pavers
- **Families at home participated in Works virtual programming**
- **STEM@the Park took place with partner Licking Park District**
 - Works brought the museum into the classroom with new in-school virtual programs

DECEMBER

- The community provided generous donations to The Works Annual Fund
- **The Works purchased new, wifi-enabled outreach vehicle with CARES Act funding approved by the Board of Licking County Commissioners**
- Gear Shop welcomed many holiday shoppers
- Museum closed for a safe holiday and reopened in January 2021

18,380 PEOPLE ENGAGED IN PROGRAMS WITH THE WORKS!

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