# FRONT FRONT 2021-22



Dear Friends of The Front Porch,

It's hard to believe that just one year ago, we welcomed students back into our studios after 18 months of virtual programming We were hosting classes outside, writing and revising Covid policies practically every week, and adding a whole new location to accommodate our student body.

And since then? We've taken on exciting new projects. We completely revamped our Roots & Wings program, focusing on early childhood music education for underserved children — 350 per week! We launched new partnerships with Hospice of the Piedmont and local nursing homes.

Our music school is rocking nearly every night! With the support of a superb teaching staff, we're back to a full schedule of group classes, with new offerings and great vibes. We are also adding music camps for kids, filling a gap for working parents on teacher workdays and school holidays.

And speaking of rocking... the Rivanna Roots concert series has emerged as a beautiful expression of everything The Front Porch stands for. Connecting the community through music. Collaborating with community partners and artists. Experiencing music in a gorgeous natural setting. And welcoming people of all ages for memorable nights under the stars.

Our work often feels like the distillation of some of the best things life has to offer. Great people, excellent music, the beauty of nature, and so much learning and growing.

All we can say is . . . more, please!

THANK YOU for joining in, and helping make all of this possible.

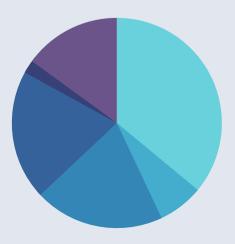
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## FINANCIALS

## INCOME

### Total: \$1,107,393

Tuition	36%
Grants	20%
Donations	20%
Rentals, Merch, Misc.	15%
Events	7%
Sponsors	2%



## FRONT PORCH SCHOOL OF MUSIC

Voted "Best Music Lessons in Cville," our music school has continued to expand offerings and staff, with the unwavering mission of *connecting everyone through music*.

#### New Location

We added a second location on Dale Ave to accommodate our growing roster of students. With the help of Building Goodness and a matching grant from Perry Foundation, we improved BOTH spaces with new soundproofing and storage!

I've never witnessed music being shared and taught in such a free, gentle, supportive, and fun way.

## 2021/22 By the Numbers:

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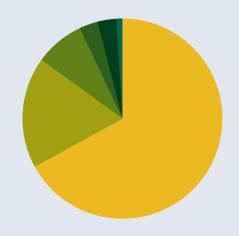
## DAY CAMPS

This year we expanded our camp programming to offer teacher work day and winter break camps in addition to 6 weeks of summer camp! Campers loved singing, dancing, learning folk songs, and creating art with our talented teachers.

## **EXPENSES**

#### Total: \$1,005,802

Payroll/Benefits	67%
Facilities	18%
Concerts/Events	8%
Advertising/Website	3%
Other	3%
Fundraising	1%



## **ROOTS & WINGS**

We paused our outreach program, Roots & Wings, when schools were shuttered due to COVID. The hiatus had a silver lining: it gave us time to radically rethink the ways we serve children in Charlottesville who lack access to music education. We used this time to forge new partnerships, develop new strategies, and re-focus our efforts primarily on early childhood music education.



Early Childhood

With 4 partner groups (Barrett ELC, Head Start, JABA/Shining Stars, YMCA ELC) we teach 13 music classes each week, reaching over 160 preschoolers per week.

#### Hometown Choir

In partnership with the YMCA afterschool program, our teachers work with over **180 Hometown Choir students** weekly at **5 Charlottesville City elementary schools**. With two big performance opportunities per year, all 5 locations combine for a true community choir!





### **West African Dance** Lillie Williams teaches West African Dance at Cherry Ave and Journey Middle School Boys & Girls Clubs.

Senior Music Outreach Partnering with Hospice of the Piedmont and Linden House, Front Porch teacher Clara George provides more than 20 one-on-one sessions each month with Hospice patients as well as weekly singalongs in memory care units.



## **OUR STAFF**



#### From left to right:

Clare Conheady, Venue Manager Emily Morrison, Executive Director Melissa Mossinghoff, Director of Community Outreach Jess Knicely, Director of Operations Lucas Rhondeau, Registrar Katen Reynolds, Director of Advancement Eli Ratzlaff, Development Manager

## LIVE MUSIC RETURNS



In the fall of 2021, we reopened our intimate listening room venue to in person concerts. Audiences swoon! Artists Shine!



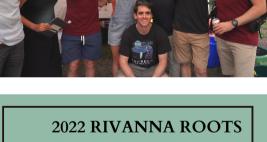
Partnering with Potter's Craft Cider provides us a second indoor venue in one of Charlottesville's most beautiful spaces.

## **Rivanna Roots Concert Series**

In partnership with Rivanna River Co. and Sun Tribe Solar, we are proud to have created a magical outdoor concert experience that combines music, community, and our scenic city.







10 Concerts
20 Musical Acts
4242 Attendees
121 Volunteers
759 Reusable cups sold
1 Beautiful River!



## 2021/22 BOARD MEMBERS

Terri Allard Mary Beth Aungier Paddy Bowman Christina DeMarea Chris Dubois Jonathan Gilliland

Neal Goodloe Clarence Green Steven Harris Adam Healey Demian Jackson Lester Jackson Marc Lipson Chris Perot James Wilkinson Devon Sproule -Teacher Liaison

## 2021–22 Donors Thank You for Your Support

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Anonymous (4) Margaret Bloom Kara and Chris Burke Elinor Capehart Helen Cohoon Donna and Michael DeMarea Susan and Mike Evans

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#### Weekly Jammer (\$100-\$249)

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Karen Murray and Neal Goodloe Clarence Green Angel Gunn Neal and Martien Halvorson-Taylor Cale and Katie Jaffe Katherine Kane Jim and Jane Keathley Ron and Joyce Kessinger Peter LaBau Gabriel Laufer Christopher Leva Robert Meyer Leslie Middleton Carla Moody Annie Morony Grier and Kevin Murphy Elizabet Norford Tina Owens Jeffrey Parsons **Oliver Platts-Mills** Katen Reynolds James Richardson Lane Ritter Philip Schrodt Edwin Scorza Craig Slingluff Maria Stein Dorothy Sullenberger













Eileen and Hank Thacker Lee Vallery Michael Weaver Robert Whaley Alice Wiggins Brian and Denise Wilkinson Katherine Williams Elizabeth Wittner Kirsten Wolfe Shannon Worrell

"Music makes you love others."

- Roots & Wings student



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