Let's keep the momentum going! Thank you friends for all that you do to help fund programs and initiatives to nurture and sustain our local talent. Please donate to Creative Portland so that we can continue to bring you First Friday Art Walk, Arts in the Chamber, Portland's Arts & Culture Summit, Hear Here, and Monday Morning Drop By. Our goal is to increase arts visibility and to provide free access to the arts. Convening stakeholders to brand Portland as a creative center and arts destination is a top priority identified in the cultural plan update of 2018. In addition to our signature programs such as First Friday Art Walk and Arts in the Chamber, our FY19 notable accomplishments have included:

2. Arts & Culture Summit 2019, hosted at Ocean Gateway with 200 cultural leaders
3. Hear Here, an inaugural local talent showcase of outstanding performing artists at Merrill Auditorium
4. NEA Our Town 2019 Grant recipient for Creative Bus Shelter Initiative
5. Creative Portland Art Gallery: two juried art exhibitions of local talent each year
6. 2 Degrees connectivity program, re-launched with Live + Work in Maine & People's United Bank as new sponsors
7. Fiscal Sponsorships: CP provided 13 sponsorships to fledgling organizations & initiatives, including Indigo Arts Alliance, SPEEDWELL projects, and Startup Maine

Thanks, and onward! - Dinah Minot, Executive Director

The 2019 Sparrow Lecture - The US Capitol Dome with Robert Baird
Join Mechanics’ Hall for their annual fundraising event – a night to celebrate the creativity and ingenuity of the organization’s founders with some of the brightest minds in arts, culture, business, and humanities. In the newly-refurbished grand ballroom, Senator Angus King will introduce the evening’s speaker, Robert Baird of Historical Arts and Casting, who led the recent iron restoration project on the U.S. Capitol Dome. Baird will speak about this ambitious process, the craftspeople involved, and share many stories from the project. General admission and patron tickets (with a pre-concert reception) available.

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Daffodil Tribute - United We Bloom
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MAYO STREET ARTS
November 15 & 16 | 7pm
Mayo Street Arts

King Friday's Dungeon Puppet Slam!
King Friday, post-monarch, deposed and living in squinor beneath an old vaudeville house, hath requestedeth new puppet works and puppet works-in-progress for an impromptu, after-hours, puppet-roadhouse show. King Friday’s Dungeon Puppet Slam is part of the national Puppet Slam Network created by Heather Henson and curated by local Maine puppeteers. Puppet slams provide an opportunity to see short, experimental, and sometimes outrageous puppet vignettes that are geared towards teenagers and adults. The night is guaranteed to be unpredictable, creative, and fun! Live music by Ideal Maine Social Aid & Sanctuary Band.

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All The Great Trees: First Friday Reception November 1 | 5:30-7:30pm
Creative Portland

Creative Portland is pleased to present its fifth juried show, “All The Great Trees,” opening to the public during November’s First Friday Art Walk. Selected work represents a diverse group of established and emerging artists from Greater Portland. Submissions were reviewed and selected by a curatorial team consisting of artists and representatives from the Center for Maine Contemporary Art, University of Southern Maine, Creative Portland, Maine College of Art, and Indigo Arts Alliance.

Exhibiting Artists
Judith Allen-Estathio, Ramune Bulmer, Mary Anne Cary, Clara Cohan, Kaylin Cook, Charlotte Duncan, Arthur Fink, Jim Flahaven, Dara Jarrendt, Judith Long, Michele McDonald, Kerry Michaels, Martha Mickles, Kat Miller, CE Morse, Maggie Nelson, Raj Saha, Jeffrey Stevensen, Jan Pieter v. Voorst v. Beest, David Wade

Live music by Ideal Maine Social Aid & Sanctuary Band.

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Leah Turner coordinates the First Friday Art Walk, Indigo Arts, and Portland Public Library.

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Join in a free self-guided tour of local art galleries, art studios, museums, and alternative art venues on the first Friday of every month from 5 to 8pm.