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Cathedral Arts Project Awarded Chartrand Foundation Grant

Jacksonville, FL –

The Chartrand Foundation has granted Cathedral Arts Project \$15,500 to support free visual arts and dance classes at Andrew Robinson and Rufus Payne Elementary Schools. Cathedral Arts was one of 5 nonprofits selected to receive funding from the agency's Community Partners grant initiative.

The Chartrand Foundation has partnered with the Duval County Public Schools to provide funding for real-life experiences in the arts, civics and sciences that broaden a student's horizon, ignite the imagination and enliven and enlighten the imagination.

Cathedral Arts Project was established in 1993 by St. John's Episcopal Cathedral to serve disadvantaged children in Duval County through arts-based, after-school programming. Today, CAP has grown to become the largest provider of FREE, ongoing and standards-based instruction in the visual and performing arts for public school students in Duval County. Over 1,300 students are enrolled in Cathedral Arts' afterschool classes this school year.

CAP's mission is to enrich the quality of life in Northeast Florida through unleashing the creative spirit of young people. By providing access to instruction in the visual and performing arts, we empower underserved, school-aged children to succeed in all areas of their lives.

The Cathedral Arts Project is funded in part by the Ounce of Prevention Fund of Florida, The City of Jacksonville, Cultural Council of Greater Jacksonville, the State of Florida, Division of Cultural Affairs, the Florida Arts Council and the National Endowment for the Arts.

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