



Mid Atlantic Arts

## Pennsylvania 2023 Program Year

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Mid Atlantic Arts was established in 1979 to promote and support multi-state arts programming in a region that includes Delaware, the District of Columbia, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Virginia, and West Virginia. It is one of six regional arts organizations in the United States, and works in close partnership with the National Endowment for the Arts and its member state and jurisdictional arts agencies. Mid Atlantic Arts distinguishes itself through its work in international cultural exchange, model programs in performing arts touring, its knowledge and presence in the jazz field, and its support of folk and traditional arts.

**Photo:** Soloist: James Reese of The Crossing performing at the Baltic Sea Festival, Sweden with support from USArtists International. Credit: Arne Hyckenberg.

### Mission

Mid Atlantic Arts nurtures and funds the creation and presentation of diverse artistic expression and connects people to meaningful arts experiences within our region and beyond.

### Vision

Mid Atlantic Arts envisions a future in which artists and creators are actively engaged with diverse communities to energize the transformative power of the arts.

### Guiding Principles

- Artistry and creative expression
- Diversity
- Equity and access
- Curiosity and listening
- Partnerships and collaborations

### Goals

- Embrace and promote equity, diversity, inclusion, and access.
- Support and strengthen the arts sector.
- Enliven communities through the arts.
- Build internal capacity.



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## Programming Activity for Pennsylvania

July 2022 through June 2023



### Pennsylvania Grantees

#### **Ars Nova Workshop, Inc.**, Philadelphia

Hamid Drake's Turiya: Honoring

Alice Coltrane, IL (AC)

Natural Information Society &

Special Guests, IL (JTN)

#### **ArtVolution Cultural Innovation Project Inc.**, Bensalem

Lady Alma featuring Vertical Current, PA (JTN)

#### **Bucknell University**, Lewisburg

Paul Taylor Dance Company, NY (AC)

Soweto Gospel Choir, Australia (AC)

#### **Community Theater Project Corporation**, Pittsburgh

Shamel Pitts/Tribe: Black Hole, NY (AC)

#### **Japan-America Society of Pennsylvania**, Monroeville

Hachioji Kuruma Ningyo Puppet

Company and Tom Lee, Japan (AC)

#### **Jazz Touring Network Members**

Ars Nova Workshop, Inc., Philadelphia

Artvolution Cultural Innovation

Project, Inc., Bensalem

Kente Arts Alliance, Pittsburgh

Manchester Craftsmens Guild, Pittsburgh

Montgomery County Community

College Foundation, Blue Bell

#### **Kulu Mele African Dance & Drum Ensemble, Inc.**, Philadelphia

Kulu Mele Performance, Workshop,

and Community Conversation at the

Baltimore Rhythm Festival (FTCP)

#### **Lehigh University**, Bethlehem

Third Coast Percussion & Fluxtronix, IL (AC)

#### **Manchester Craftsmens Guild**, Pittsburgh

Sean Jones: "Dizzy Spellz" featuring

Brinae Ali, MD (JTN)

#### **Mid Atlantic Arts National Leaders of Color Fellow**

Bekezela Mguni, Pittsburgh

#### **Montgomery County Community College Foundation**, Blue Bell

Blind Visionaries - Daniel Kelly Trio and The

Seeing With Photography Collective, NY (JTN)

**Program Key:** ArtsCONNECT (AC), Folk and Traditional Arts Community Projects (FTCP), Jazz Touring Network (JTN)

**Photo:** Rivers of Steel used support from a Folk and Traditional Arts Community Projects grants to provide public workshop training for folk and traditional artists through mentorships from master teaching artists and hands-on experience. Credit: Adam Piscitell.



**Philadelphia Folklore Project,**  
Philadelphia

The Historically Black Neighborhood of Swarthmore: Producing a Podcast on its History (FTCP)

**Point Park University,** Pittsburgh

Urban Bush Women, NY (AC)  
Vuyani Dance Theatre, South Africa (AC)

**Rivers of Steel Heritage Corporation,**  
Homestead

Public Workshop Trainings for Folk and Traditional Artists through Mentorships from Master Teaching Artists and Hands-On-Experiences (FTCP)

**Strand-Capitol Performing Arts Center, Inc.,** York

Acrobuffos, NY (AC)

**The Pennsylvania State University,**  
University Park

Soweto Gospel Choir, Australia (AC)

**Trustees of the University of Pennsylvania,** Philadelphia

Acrobuffos, NY (AC)  
Paul Taylor Dance Company, NY (AC)  
Rennie Harris Puremovement, PA (AC)

**USArtists International Grantees**

**Jamaaladeen Tacuma, Philadelphia**  
Visa For Music, Morocco

**Tempesta Di Mare, Philadelphia**  
International Fasch Festival Zerbst, Germany

**The Crossing, Philadelphia**  
Baltic Sea Festival, Sweden

**Pennsylvania Board Members**

Romona Riscoe Benson, Philadelphia  
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