

## **Purpose**

The Evanston Arts Council nourishes and builds an inclusive community where creative expression thrives and the arts flourish. We empower and amplify artists and arts organizations as community builders and change makers. We support diverse forms of expression and provide equitable access to the arts.

## Vision

We envision the arts as central to an equitable, sustainable city where authentic and diverse creative voices are accessible to all; and where artists are supported, thriving, and recognized as fundamental to a healthy and engaged society.

## **Values**

- We maintain that art is for everyone; it should be a catalyst for inclusivity and equity.
- We support decolonization of the arts and all forms of creative expression.
- We value the voices of artists to enrich lives and move society forward.
- We believe the arts are a vital reflection of our humanity.