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Events like “In Good Company,” the Benefit Art Auction, and our annual auction are crucial to our mission. They allow us to generate funds to support our programs and initiatives, while also giving our patrons the opportunity to see Arts of Life artists’ work up close and in person. In February, we were delighted to see over 5,000 Cultural Center visitors have the opportunity to see our artists’ work.

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Thank you for your support and for being part of our community. We are proud to be a part of the Chicago arts community, and we are committed to supporting the arts and artists in our city.

Warmly,
Denise Fisher
Founder & Executive Director

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60% Increase in Art Sales

$157,157 Total Value of Programming Volunteer Hours

289,664 Total Instagram Engagements

95% Increase in Facebook Engagements

$157,157 People Reached IRL

EXPENSES: $941,130

REVENUE: $932,493

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