



2024
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REPORT



**Wenatchee Valley Museum
& Cultural Center**

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LETTER FROM THE BOARD

As the 2024 Board President of the Wenatchee Valley Museum and Cultural Center, it is my privilege to reflect on a truly inspiring year for our organization. In 2024, we welcomed 34,184 visitors through our doors—each one a reminder of the vital role the Museum plays in connecting our community to the stories, innovations, and cultures that shape the Wenatchee Valley.

Our mission to gather, engage, and educate people to celebrate and preserve the history, arts, sciences, and rich diversity of our region remains at the heart of everything we do. From hands-on learning experiences to thought-provoking exhibits and inclusive community programs, we continue to create space for curiosity, dialogue, and shared discovery.

This year also marked significant progress in our capital campaign, Branch Out. With a focus on improving our facilities, enhancing accessibility, and expanding the reach and impact of our exhibits, this initiative will ensure that the Museum remains a welcoming, dynamic space for generations to come.

On behalf of the entire Board of Directors, I extend heartfelt thanks to our members, donors, volunteers, staff, and affiliates. Your support makes our work possible—and your belief in our mission drives us forward.

With gratitude and enthusiasm for what lies ahead,

Stephanie Stauffer Evans

2024 President, Board of Directors

Wenatchee Valley Museum and Cultural Center



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ENVISIONED FUTURE

Within the next 10 years, the WVMCC is a premiere destination that everyone visits and is a source of pride for the community, region, and state. It is anchored by technologically current, meaningful, engaging, interactive, and collaborative experiences in our museum and beyond. It has a vibrant, growing, diverse membership and a sustainable economic model.

MISSION

The WVMCC gathers, engages, and educates people to celebrate and preserve the history, arts, sciences, and rich diversity of our region.

VISION

WVMCC is a place of excitement and relevance, that inspires and transforms the community.

VALUES

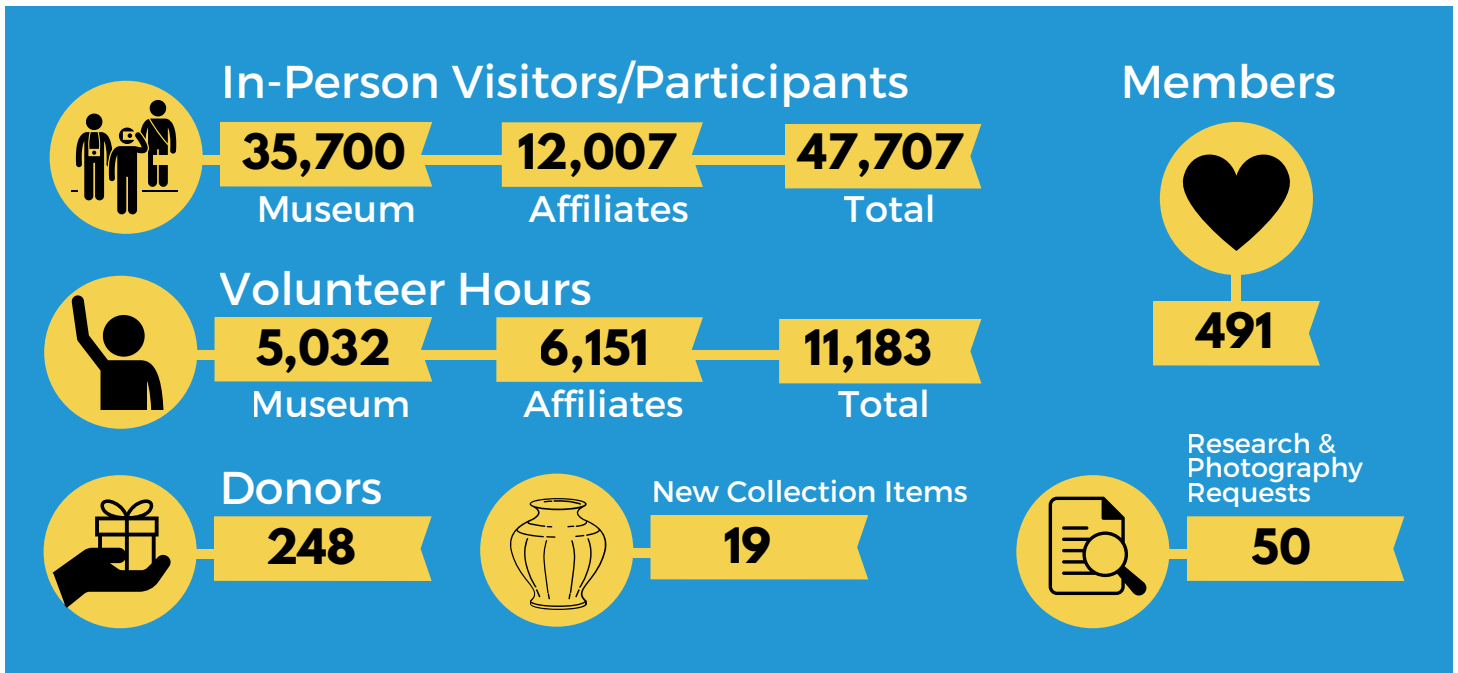
Stewardship: We responsibly manage the financial and physical resources entrusted to us.

Inspiration: We inspire creativity and bring fun to life-long learning.

Respect: We treat all people, experiences, and perspectives with respect and foster an environment where all can thrive.



YEAR AT A GLANCE



FISCAL YEAR 2024 STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

REVENUE



EXPENSES



FINANCIAL POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2024

Total Current Assets	\$3,769,657
Fixed Assets	\$1,799,687
Total Assets	\$5,569,338
Total Liabilities	\$310,545
Net Assets	\$5,258,793
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$5,569,338



ENGAGING EXHIBITS



In 2024, the Museum, in collaboration with the NCW Arts Alliance, proudly presented the North Central Washington Juried Art Show, a celebration of the exceptional talent within our region. Featuring 50 outstanding pieces from artists spanning Chelan, Douglas, Grant, Kittitas, Okanogan, and Yakima counties, the exhibition not only provided a platform for local creators to showcase their work but also deepened the Wenatchee Valley's connection to the vibrant arts community. This exhibit has become a cornerstone for fostering cultural appreciation and creative dialogue in our region.



Our Gold Gallery hosted an exhibit that highlighted a significant form of art within our community: local theater. Curated by Matthew Pippin, Ten Seasons of Hot August Nights celebrates the history and productions of this beloved annual event. Since its inception in 2013 (excluding 2020), Hot August Nights has become a standout tradition in the Wenatchee Valley, raising the bar for entertainment and pushing the boundaries of traditional performing arts. This exhibit honors every individual who has come together during these brief but impactful periods to deliver their best performances—entertaining audiences and changing lives. These productions have not only transformed the lives of viewers but also fostered lifelong friendships among the talented people who worked on them.

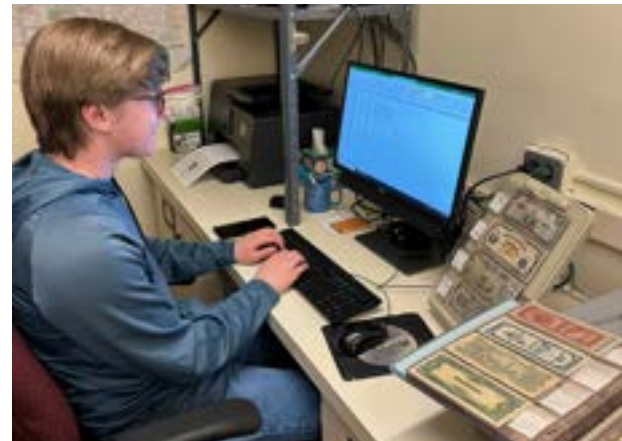
PRESERVING OUR HISTORY

2024 marked an exciting and essential milestone for our museum as we officially kicked off the extensive effort to complete an entire inventory of our collections. This comprehensive project aims to document and organize the incredible variety of artifacts and archival material housed in our storage rooms, ensuring their preservation and accessibility for future research and exhibitions.

One of the most remarkable aspects of this endeavor has been our volunteers' incredible dedication and support. Over the year, our volunteers collectively spent an astounding 500 hours working alongside our collections department. Their efforts included carefully cataloging items, updating records, and helping to create a more accurate understanding of our holdings. Together, they inventoried nearly 60,000 items — an extraordinary achievement demonstrating this project's scale and importance.

We are incredibly grateful to our volunteers, Marianne Asay, Sarah Banks, Max Geier, Marlene Lawton, Cherie Sandum, and Heather Seman, who contributed to this effort. Your dedication and attention to detail have made a lasting impact, and we simply could not have achieved this without you.

As we continue this vital work, we look forward to building on this strong foundation and further enhancing our stewardship of the museum's treasures.



LIFELONG LEARNING

In 2024, the Museum reaffirmed its role as the cornerstone of lifelong learning in our community. We continued to offer a diverse range of educational opportunities, from tours that explore regional history, art, and geology, to hands-on robotics classes for elementary students. These year-round programs provided valuable avenues for personal growth and learning, engaging individuals of all ages.

The success of our programs was made possible by the continued support of our generous partners. This year, we were proud to introduce several new and returning initiatives. A standout achievement was the significant growth in our STEM education offerings. The Museum MakerSpace became a hub of innovation, bringing back the popular Robotics Afterschool Program and launching a series of 3D printing workshops. Thanks to the support from Microsoft, Confluence Health, and Wenatchee Valley Medical Group, we were able to offer new 3D printing classes for both students and adults, fostering creativity and technical skills in our community.

One of the most significant highlights of 2024 was hosting one of the largest events ever held at the Museum. In partnership with the Nicholas H. Vitulli Memorial Fund and Pybus Public Market, we welcomed over 1,500 guests to the beloved Nick's Bricks event. This free community celebration of creativity and imagination brought together LEGO enthusiasts of all ages, further demonstrating the Museum's commitment to accessible and engaging educational experiences.

Building on the success of the Juried Art Show, the Museum once again partnered with NCW Arts Alliance to offer a series of sold-out, hands-on workshops. Led by talented regional artists and educators, these immersive classes—ranging from portrait painting to Japanese calligraphy, paper art, and stencil painting—offered participants a unique opportunity to learn from local experts, fueling creativity and nurturing artistic expression within our community.



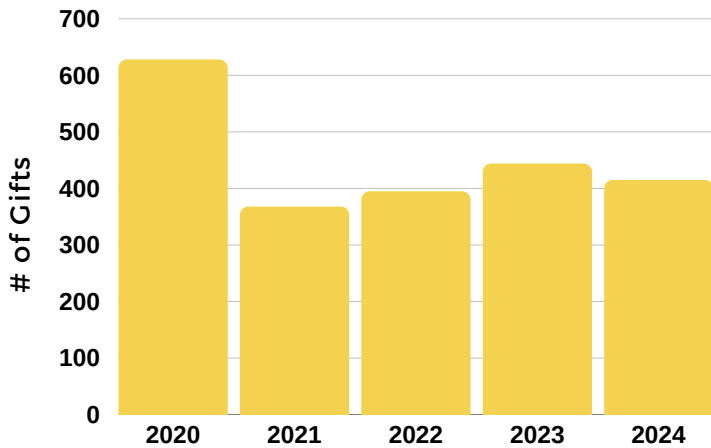
CELEBRATING DIVERSITY

The Museum serves as a vibrant community hub, dedicated to celebrating culture and heritage. One of the standout events held annually is the Día de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) celebration on November 1st. In collaboration with the Wenatchee Valley Chamber Hispanic Business Council, this event draws over 500 guests within just two hours. The celebration features traditional live music, folklorico dancing, crafts, face painting, and a variety of food offerings. It provides an opportunity for visitors to learn about the significance of Día de los Muertos, a holiday that honors and remembers loved ones who have passed. Attendees can contribute to a community altar created by volunteers, enjoy vibrant performances, engage in hands-on crafts, and indulge in festive food and drinks from small business owners, fostering a sense of togetherness and cultural appreciation.

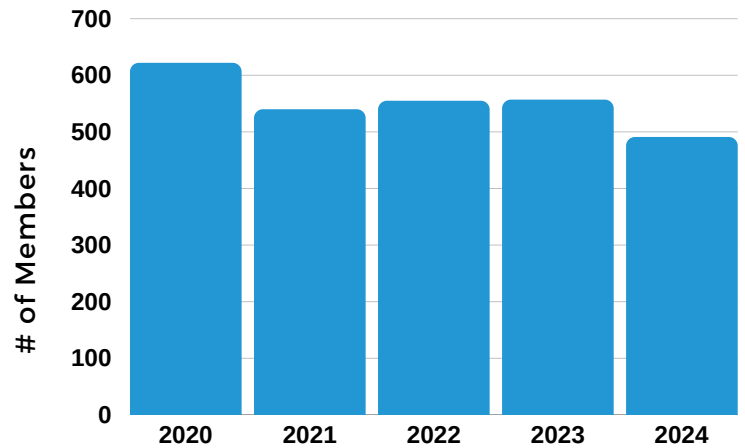


SUPPORTER IMPACT

DONOR GIVING



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2024 TOTAL FREE ADMISSION ATTENDANCE



2024 HIGH-LEVEL MEMBERS



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**The Wenatchee Valley
Museum & Cultural
Center receives ongoing
support from the cities
of Wenatchee and East
Wenatchee.**





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a campaign in support of the
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Alphabetical by first name

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AFFILIATES & PARTNERS

Our Affiliates

The following organizations are affiliates of the Wenatchee Valley Museum & Cultural Center. They are community partner organizations who contribute to the Museum's mission. The Museum acts as a fiscal sponsor, provides oversight, and administrative support of their activities. The groups are responsible for the coordination and fundraising for each of their projects and the Museum supports their efforts.

Fiestas Mexicanas
Mariachi Northwest Festival
Wenatchee Riverfront Railway and Navigation Association

Photography Association of Wenatchee
Wenatchee Arts Education Consortium
Wenatchee Jazz Workshop

Our Partners

AmeriCorps Washington
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Fiestas Mexicanas
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Our Team

Anna Spencer, *Collections Manager*
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Linda Davis, *Bookkeeper*
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Randi Roberts, *Volunteer/Education Coordinator*
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Tracy Trotter, *Education/Volunteer Coordinator*
Zach Eddy, *Operations Coordinator*

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Alphabetical by first name

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