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Inner-City Arts earns four-star rating from Charity Navigator

LOS ANGELES, Calif. (September 2024) — Inner-City Arts is proud to announce that our strong financial health and ongoing accountability and transparency has earned a [Four-Star Rating from Charity Navigator](#). This rating designates Inner-City Arts as an official “Give with Confidence” charity, indicating that our organization is using donations effectively based on Charity Navigator’s criteria. Charity Navigator is America’s largest independent charity evaluator. Since 2001, the organization has been an unbiased and trusted source of information for more than 11 million donors annually.

Charity Navigator analyzes nonprofit performance based on four key indicators, referred to as beacons. Currently, nonprofits can earn scores for Impact & Results, Accountability & Finance, Culture & Community, and Leadership & Adaptability beacons.

“We are delighted to provide Inner-City Arts with third-party accreditation that validates their operational excellence,” said Charity Navigator’s President and CEO Michael Thatcher. “The Four-Star Rating is the highest possible rating an organization can achieve. We are eager to see the good work that Inner-City Arts is able to accomplish in the years ahead.”

“Our Four-Star rating from Charity Navigator is further validation that our supporters can trust our commitment to good governance and financial health,” Inner-City Arts’ Senior Director of Development Alma Villegas said. “We hope it will introduce our work to new supporters who want to help advance our mission to empower youth and foster a community of creative individuals.”

The 2024-25 program year is in full swing at Inner-City Arts’ Downtown LA campus, where talented teaching artists welcome students into state-of-the-art studios and performance spaces to foster their creative voices. We serve classes from LAUSD and local charter schools during our school-day program, hundreds of area youth in sixth through 12th grades choose from an array of workshops in our Saturday program, and artistic high school juniors and seniors participate as interns in our Work of Art program for college and career preparation. A thriving professional development program for educators and full calendar of performances in our Rosenthal Theater round out Inner-City Arts’ community offerings. Every donor’s contribution makes a valuable impact through this rich array.

Inner-City Arts’ rating and other information about charitable giving are available free of charge on charitynavigator.org.

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ABOUT INNER-CITY ARTS

*Founded in 1989, Inner-City Arts is a learning oasis in the heart of Downtown Los Angeles. Under the guidance of professional teaching artists, Inner-City Arts’ students find a safe and supportive environment where they engage in a variety of visual, media, and performing art forms in a studio setting. Services include core classes during the instructional day for grade K-8 students, after school and weekend workshops for teens, and professional development training for educators. Children who attend Inner-City Arts develop crucial skills for life and work such as collaboration, creativity, and critical thinking. **INNER-CITYARTS.ORG***