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As the founder of (VC)Bynum Arts & Education, I sincerely thank you for supporting our mission to advance artistic, educational, and philanthropic efforts that empower communities. Thanks to local grants and your generosity, we received over \$80,000 in 2025. These resources allow us to hire administrative staff, support programming, compensate artists, and offer assistance to individual artists. Art has the power to heal the mind, body, and spirit, and your belief in this work means more than words can express. **In 2025, we served over 1000 live-in-person and over 400 through virtual experiences.**

We continue to collaborate with partners who share our vision; we organized and/or participated in a wide range of community events listed below:

- Bellevue Martin Luther King Jr. Health Fair
- Black History at St. Margaret's Episcopal
- Bellevue College Umoja Scholars Dance Classes
- The Gospel Magnificat
- Missa Gaia Earth Mass
- The 1st Annual Sawubona Festival
- Bellevue Juneteenth celebration
- The Episcopal Diocese of Olympia Juneteenth celebration
- Arts Camp at St. Margaret's
- Humanity: A Full Circle Moment

Each event reminds us of the beauty and strength that emerge when community and creativity come together. Sign up for our newsletter at www.vcbynumarts.org/newsletter to learn about upcoming events.

- VCBYNUM ARTS & EDUCATION CELEBRATES 5 YEARS OF SERVICE IN APRIL - stay tuned for details to celebrate with us
- DON'T MISS THE SAWUBONA FESTIVAL ON SUNDAY, MAY 17th. [Register TODAY!](#)



Festival 2026

presented by VCBynum Arts & Education



With support from the Bellevue Arts Commission, 4Culture, Seattle Office of Arts and Culture, ArtsFund, Workforce Development Council of Seattle, Artist Trust, private donors, and more, we will secure a consistent space for programming and further development of arts partnerships. We look forward to strengthening our organizational foundation and producing art that reflects our culture and community.

As we move forward, (VC) Bynum Arts & Education relies on the support of the communities we serve. If you feel inspired by our mission, please share this letter with others who believe in the power of the arts. Continue to make your tax-deductible donations at www.vcbynumarts.org/donate. We are excited about 2026, and we truly value your support.

“Dance Is Life!!”

Vania C Bynum