

As we kick off the new year and I reflect on the year just past, I am filled with humble pride and much gratitude for the many people who helped make 2023 such a historic year for Painted Sky Center for the Arts.

I am thankful for the many volunteers who gave freely of their time and expertise, from helping to man the PSCA booths at local events, to helping clean up after our PSCA events and everything in between.

I am thankful to all our Painted Sky Members who so loyally support us with their yearly memberships and class attendance and who provide constructive feedback that allows us to stay on track with our class and workshop offerings.

I am thankful to all our teachers and instructors, such as our youth teachers who are so devoted to making sure they provide quality art projects to our After-School Art Club Kids, and for all our class and workshop instructors who continuously produce fun and creative classes to offer each term.

I am thankful for our class coordinator who takes all the instructor's class ideas and weaves them into a workable calendar and catalog of events and keeps everyone informed through our monthly newsletters and daily social media.

I am thankful for our dedicated Development Director who provides a steady and consistent vision for our future and cultivates meaningful relationships with our funders.

I am grateful for our outstanding Board of Directors who ensure that our business strategies remain on point, our resources are used wisely, our organization is well governed, and who continually give freely of their time to support me in my role as Executive Director.

I am thankful for the many individuals, businesses and foundations who have gifted us financially. Their support allows us to continue our PSCA mission to advance arts education and entertainment, enhance the quality of life, and promote cultural development in John Day and all of Grant County.

I am thankful for all of you. Whether you have taken a class, taught a class, volunteered, attended one of our events, shared a social media post, donated, or simply spoke fondly of us to those you meet, you are all an important part of our art center and vital to our future in your community.

2024 will be another epic year for Painted Sky Center for the Arts. A year that will be filled with positive communication, lasting relationships, and meaningful program offerings. I wish all of you a wonderful new year filled with prosperity, fun adventure, and as always, lots of creativity.

With Warm Regards for a Happy New Year,

Valerie Munyon