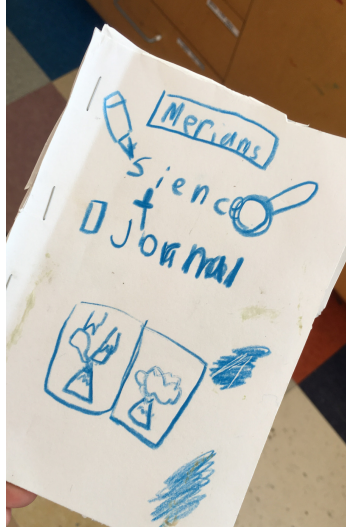
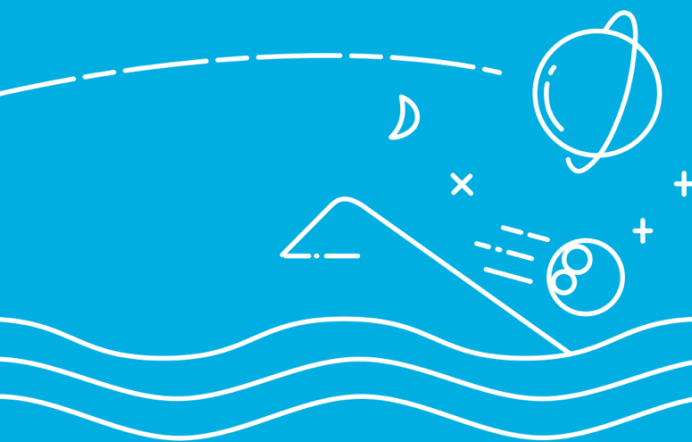




2017/2018

# ANNUAL REPORT





## The Junior Center of Art and Science: Mission and Values

*The Junior Center's mission is to cultivate curiosity and creative exploration through the arts & sciences.*

*Located in the heart of Oakland on the shores of Lake Merritt, we aim to serve all youth throughout Oakland and beyond.*

We value the necessity of equity and representation in the fields of art and science and invest in the future of these fields by providing equitable access to our programs.

We value creativity and imagination - two cornerstones in art and science exploration.

We believe personal connection makes for the best learning experiences. Our programs are designed to be fun, interactive and learner driven.

We value our space as a community space. All families are welcome through our doors.



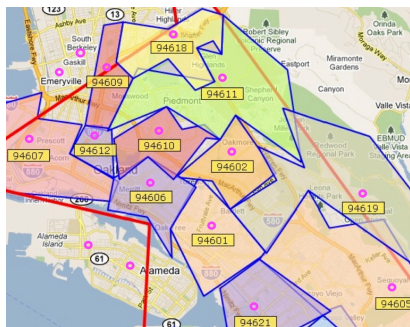
## A message from our director...

This past year we asked ourselves, "How can we fulfill our potential as an essential community resource?" Using this question as a guide, we set out to continue to deliver high quality programming with a renewed commitment to equitable access to our offerings.

In the 2017/2018 fiscal year alone, we are proud to have served over **7,500 young people and their families** throughout **30+ zip codes**, including those in *all seven districts of the City of Oakland*.

We credit our success to a number of different efforts including...

- A renewed mission and values set (as seen on the opposite page).
- Increased efforts to partner with peer organizations and colleagues throughout the community including the City of Oakland Recreation Centers and our neighbors in Lakeside Park.
- The implementation of our new sliding scale fee model for our after-school and weekend offerings.
- Delivering grant supported arts and science residency programs in Oakland Public Schools.



To serve as an essential community resource it was critical to continue our efforts - providing a warm, welcoming space for young people to develop 21st century skills in the heart of Oakland - with general visiting hours, classes and workshops, and community outreach programs.



Thanks to the generous support of our donors we were able to expand our offerings in some of the following ways...

**Build new Digital Media programs and capacities.**

We've incorporated digital resources to our existing classes, workshops and residencies - showcasing images and videos to engage our students. And thanks to our new technology, we built three new program offerings including *Game Design and Computer Science*, *Photo/Video*, and *Claymation*. Our students are able to experiment with coding and problem solve using state of the art technology while creating something new.

**Create new interactive learning spaces including our Community Art Studio and Youth Makerspace**

We're excited to offer two additional learning spaces in our building. Young learners can get hands-on with new media in our Community Art Studio - playing with paint, clay, collage materials and more, or experiment with design and engineering thinking in our Youth Makerspace - taking on our monthly maker challenge or building something new at our creation station - where young visitors have access to building materials and tools.

**Host our first FREE Community Day.**

In June, we flung our doors wide open and celebrated the beginning of Summer with the larger community. We hosted over 150 visitors throughout the afternoon - providing music from a local DJ, delicious treats from a local food truck, and hands-on activities throughout our building including The Science of Ice Cream, button-making, and rocket launches throughout the day.



It's an incredibly exciting time to be a part of the Junior Center as we continue to expand and grow.

I invite you to come through our doors and check out everything that's new! Contact us to arrange a tour, a play-date, or your next event.

We thank you for your continued generosity and support.

Warmly,  
Dominique Enriquez  
*Executive Director*



# OUR REACH

OVER  
**7,500**

young people and  
their families  
served

**3,231**

visitors to the  
center

**125**

# of workshops delivered  
both at schools and  
community sites and at  
the Junior Center

**40+**

school partnerships  
throughout Oakland and  
the greater East Bay

**3**

long term residencies  
both in school and after  
school

**4**

youth exhibitions in our  
community gallery

## CLASSES & CAMPS

**268** young people  
reached

**3** eight-week  
sessions

**13** summer  
camps

### Arts and Science offerings include...

Carpentry

Photo/Video and Claymation

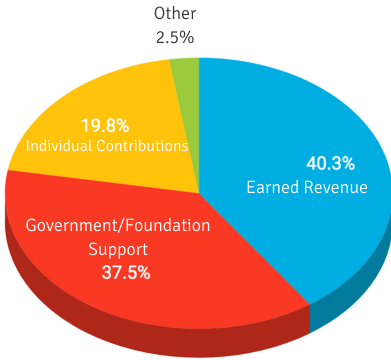
Moving Mechanisms

What Goes Up, Must Come Down...

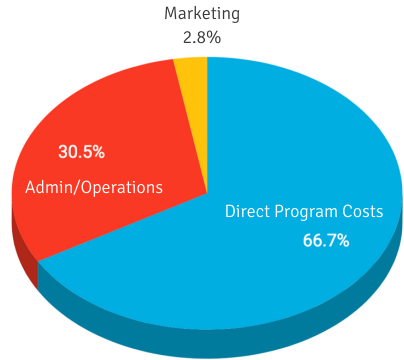
Computer Science

Ceramics and Printmaking

# FY18 Operating Budget \$308K



**FY18 REVENUE**



**FY18 EXPENSES**

## 2017/2018 PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



With support from the California Arts Council, the Junior Center served all 120 4th grade students at Franklin Elementary - one of Oakland's few Newcomer Schools - a school that provides programs for students who have been in the U.S. less than 3 years and speak a home language other than English. Through a 7-week long experience, students worked first hand with a Junior Center teaching artist to explore ideas through sketchbook practice and the study of self-portraiture. For many students, the opportunity to explore ideas through drawing supported language transition in a classroom setting.

Thanks to the generous support of our funders, the Junior Center embarked on the expansion of its programming to include new Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math offerings. This included our 1-week long MiniMakers Camp - a hands-on makers camp for young ones ages 5-7 years old. Campers explored design and engineering thinking by creating their own costume, building, and puzzle designs and seeing them come to life with the use of cardboard and a laser cutter.



With support from our general fund, the Junior Center prioritized developing relationships with community partners. This year we provided free family activities to Oakland Recreation Centers including Franklin, Dimond, and Defremery. At each location we provided a hands-on STEAM activity that encouraged multigenerational participation and strengthened community spirit. Additionally, these events allowed us to raise awareness about the Center and bring engaging programming into new community spaces.

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Our work would not be possible without the generosity of our supporters.

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