



Any Given Child | Moving Forward

The Cathedral Arts Project is now home to a prestigious initiative of the **John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts** known as [Ensuring the Arts for Any Given Child](#). In 2013, CAP brought the national spotlight to the First Coast when it successfully applied for Jacksonville to be a host city for this initiative. As the 14th site for this important collective impact model, Jacksonville now joins cities like Austin, Sacramento and Portland, all of whom have reaped social, cultural and economic benefits as a result of this program.

Through Any Given Child, CAP and the Kennedy Center are working with local arts organizations, the mayor's office, the school district, and civic and business leaders to create a long-range, sustainable plan to provide greater, more equitable access to quality arts education for all K-8 students in Duval County Public Schools. In the first year, CAP led a Community Arts Team to complete the strategic planning phase of this work. As of June 12, 2014 this team adopted five major goals for the project:

1. Provide all students in grades K-5 with sequential instruction in the visual and performing arts and provide all students in grades 6-8 with access to sequential instruction.
2. Increase professional development opportunities in both the arts and arts integration for classroom teachers, arts educators, administrators, arts organizations and teaching artists.
3. Advocate for the importance of arts education to families, educators, policymakers, students and business leaders through a concerted communications plan.
4. Strengthen existing partnerships and forge dynamic cross-sector collaborations to expand the quality and reach of arts education throughout Duval County Public Schools.

5. Ensure the sustainability of the initiative by mobilizing the community and securing financial support.

This Fall CAP will mark the launch of an exciting multi-year implementation phase under the support of The Kennedy Center and through the work of newly appointed AGC Executive Director, Allison Galloway and the local Steering Committee:

Tony Allegretti, Executive Director of the Cultural Council of Jacksonville

Tim Cost, President of Jacksonville University

Trey Csar, Executive Director of the Jacksonville Public Education Fund

Daniel Davis, President & CEO of the Jacksonville Chamber of Commerce

Steve Halverson, President & CEO of the Haskell Company

Kimberly Hyatt, President & CEO of the Cathedral Arts Project

Hope McMath, Executive Director of the Cummer Museum of Art & Gardens

Audrey Moran, Senior Vice President for Social Responsibility and Community Advocacy at Baptist Health

Madeline Scales-Taylor, Board of Trustees, Community Foundation for Northeast Florida

Darnell Smith, North Florida Market President for Florida Blue

Nikolai Vitti, Superintendent of Duval County Public Schools