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Artists for education

Aspen Community School is a public charter school of the Aspen School District that offers equal and tuition-free access to its small-school environment, a low student-to-teacher ratio, an award-winning curriculum and an integrated arts program. As one of Colorado's highest-performing schools, the school unfortunately has one of the state's lowest-performing facilities.

Last summer, after four years of effort, Aspen Community School received Colorado's \$4.2 million Building Excellent Schools Today grant to bring the campus up to speed with the stipulation that the school raise \$4.9 million by May 1. Among its capital campaigns surrounding this fundraising, an "I Believe in Art" auction took place online in March, raising more than \$50,000. An opening reception at The Little Nell featured 107 original and unique pieces of art from 78 artists, several of whom are also parents of Community School students.

The school is nearing its goal and its deadline, and thanks to a remarkable donation of \$750,000 from an anonymous donor, the school now is within \$1 million of its target. Learn more and contribute at www.ibelieveinart.org.



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Lynn Nichols, Jim Gilchrist and Bryan Long.



Serene Marie Washington and Tori Ann Campisi.



Chris Faison, Skye Skinner and John Bennett.



Auction committee heads Melanie Muss, Lynn Nichols and Lara Deyarmond.



Melissa Long and Sara Reveal.



The "I Believe in Art" auction opened with an exhibit and reception at The Little Nell.



Hunt Rettig, Sunni McBride and Josh Landis.



Colleen Clare Irvin and Kris Coulon.



Karen Hollins, Emily Ransford and K Cezark.



Adam Frisch and Stefan Reveal.