



catalyst music

2018

ANNUAL
REPORT

Dear Music Lover,

As the executive director and co-founder of Twin Cities Catalyst Music — the nonprofit organization that operates THE GARAGE in Burnsville, MN — I am proud to share with you some of our favorite recent highlights.

In a word, this past year has been about education.

Our after school recording and music performance program Burnsville Made Music just finished its third year, and is now offered year-round to middle school students living in Burnsville-Eagan-Savage Independent School District One91 who participate in the Burnsville Youth Collaborative after school program.

In Burnsville Made Music, students learn to create their own original songs, record their works, shoot music videos, and perform for their peers at THE GARAGE. It is a rare program that allows young people to express themselves in a unique, relevant, and innovative way.

We received an organizational development grant from the St. Paul Foundation to work with a professional diversity consulting agency to develop an organizational diversity brand. With this support our board of directors and staff have begun to implement this new focus for the organization that will guide our mission for years to come.

We also received a Cultural STAR capital grant from the City of St. Paul to expand and replicate our work at a second location in East St. Paul. This new venue will allow us to reach and provide more opportunities for even more young people in the Twin Cities metro.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank our board members, staff, community partners, donors, volunteers, and supporters who have enabled us to continue our work serving the Twin Cities music community. THE GARAGE — and its work to empower young people through music — wouldn't exist without your support. Thank you for being a part of this amazing journey.

It was a great year, and we're already hard at work to make the next 12 months even better.

Sincerely,

Jack Kolb-Williams
Executive Director, Twin Cities Catalyst Music



MISSION

Twin Cities Catalyst Music is dedicated to *giving young people equitable access and opportunities in the Twin Cities music scene, while growing them as people prepared to make the world work for them.*

We primarily achieve our mission through THE GARAGE, our all-ages (no 18+ or 21+ restrictions) music venue, recording studio, and educational facility. There young people can live out their musical passions--whether it's performing in front of their peers; participating in workshops to develop real life music industry skills; recording and producing their own music in our studio; or seeking career training through our internship opportunities in live sound production, marketing, event management, recording engineering, and digital journalism.

OUR STORY

In 2015, Twin Cities Catalyst Music assumed operational control of THE GARAGE music venue, recording studio, and educational facility to provide young people of the Twin Cities an opportunity to see live music, develop meaningful skills, and cultivate their passions.

With the help of our partners and donors TCCM has grown into a quarter million dollar organization with an 11 member board of directors, full-time Executive Director, 23 part-time staff, and over 20 volunteers.

In 2019, TCCM is moving to expand into East St. Paul to replicate its nonprofit operational model to "bring the music to the people" in a more centrally located space that is more accessible for young people in the Twin Cities metro. We are striving daily to better reflect those we serve, improve upon our work, and ensure that all who wish to participate will be presented with their best opportunity to succeed.

SPONSORS



2018 FINANCES

CONTRIBUTIONS &
GRANT REVENUE

\$85,259

GROSS REVENUE

\$187,325



2018 STATS

TOTAL
SHOWS

102

NUMBER OF
ATTENDEES

10,270

RECORDING
SESSIONS

75

ARTISTS

1,467



Burnsville Made Music is a fantastic opportunity for our students from ISD One 91 who participate after school in the Burnsville Youth Collaborative. The end of year performance is always a highlight for everyone!

Christian Kibler,
Burnsville Youth Collaborative Program Coordinator

It's a blessing to be here (at THE GARAGE), and I am so thankful for the opportunities being given to me. I have to give credit where it's due.

Markell Sutton aka Kell Komp,
Burnsville High School Senior

Catalyst Music's programming offers young people the opportunity to develop skills for careers in music as they cultivate their social/emotional proficiency all while exploring their passion.

Bri Ostoff,
ISD One91 Community Education Youth Service Coordinator

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