EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This year has been more tumultuous than Beethoven’s Grosse Fugue. The mandatory closure of schools and businesses due to the COVID-19 pandemic challenged us to reimagine music education. Within a month of school closures, we designed a new virtual format for one-on-one sessions with mentors. Seattle Music Partners is dedicated to maintaining access to high-quality music education in underserved communities despite circumstances that are exacerbating inequalities in our society. We are always striving to do better to serve our students of color. Now more than ever, our work is to train staff, volunteers, and teaching artists in social justice in order to address the specific needs of our students. We are proud of the work we have done this year, including two successful in-person concerts, our adaptation to online programming, and our first-ever virtual concert.

Furthermore, it is our 20th Anniversary! We started at Leschi Elementary in the year 2000 pairing a few students with local musicians. Over the past 20 years, we have expanded to four elementary schools, created the Middle School Music Project, started a summer camp, provided field trips and music enrichment opportunities to the schools, and deepened the impact of our high school volunteer program. This coming year will be a challenge to create a virtual space for music education and we look forward to keeping our Zoom doors open for our students.

"I enjoyed teaching in the lessons. My student and I had interesting conversations while also playing an instrument that I am passionate about."

- High School Mentoring Musician
A YEAR IN REVIEW

**Progress in Musicianship**

- Listening Skills 40%
- Music Symbol ID 30%
- Terms & Definitions 20%
- Overall Growth 10%

**Music Literacy Growth by Elementary School**

- Bailey Gatzert: 25%
- Leschi: 20%
- Lowell: 15%
- Madrona: 10%

**Overall Growth**

- Program 52%
- Operations 43.3%
- Fundraising 4.7%
- Grants 42.9%
- Events 17.1%
- Donations 39.7%
- Other 0.3%

**Revenue**

- $51K in Volunteer Hours

**Over 100 Volunteers Added Value of**

- 110 Students paired with mentoring musicians
- 297 Virtual sessions offered during school closures
- 72 Skill-building debriefs for high school mentors

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