

CATA Springs Forward

North County Growth

CATA's circle continues to grow! Since the beginning of our program year in September, we have expanded programs to bring innovative arts opportunities to an ever-growing number of people with disabilities. CATA now provides over 1,100 intensive, multi-week arts workshops to 670 people with disabilities, working with more than 40 program partners. Thank you for supporting this vibrant work!

United Cerebral Palsy ▶

New CATA artists beam after a workshop in acting and improv at United Cerebral Palsy in North Adams, a new CATA partner.



Pittsfield High School ▲

Students stretch in a yoga workshop at Pittsfield High School, where CATA programs have expanded to include summer camp workshops for students with disabilities—part of an expansion of CATA in the Schools, supported by Berkshire Bank and you, our generous supporters.



Wahconah Regional High School ▲

Students warm up at the beginning of a dance class at Wahconah Regional High School in Dalton, where CATA workshops have doubled in the last year.



Columbia County Arc ▲

CATA artists work on collages in a new visual arts workshop at CoArc Mellenville—bringing CATA's vitality across the border to our neighbors in New York State.



Through Joan and Jim Hunter, CATA received a generous grant from the Irene and James Hunter Charitable Fund at Fidelity Charitable Gift Fund to dedicate staff time to growing programs in Northern Berkshire County. Here's our progress so far, in the first year of this three-year initiative.

2016-2017 Highlights

New CATA Partners are sharing CATA creativity with a growing number of people with disabilities.

CATA now provides arts workshops at UCP in North Adams through their family support program. Our partnership with BFAIR in North Adams has expanded to include their new Community Based Day Services program.

Vibrant Art on Tour exhibits include a rotating display at MountainOne Gallery in North Adams, and a large Art on Tour exhibit at Tunnel City Coffee in Williamstown.

CATA's cultural and community partnerships continue to expand in North County.

Williamstown resident David Rice (Vice President, Investments of Park Square Financial Advisors of Raymond James) has joined CATA's Board of Directors.

CATA's partnership with the Williamstown Youth Center has expanded to include summer and spring break programs sharing our mission of inclusion with the next generation.

I Am A Part of Art, CATA's annual art exhibit, returns to the Clark Art Institute for seven weeks in summer 2017, with events including a "Meet the Artists" public reception.