



This initiative unites people together to support and champion the uniqueness of the Miami Valley's performing arts community while providing regional artists with the production and business skills necessary to become self-sufficient and succeed in the marketplace.

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT IMPACT

5

Community Arts Groups

17

Performances

1,307

Performance Attendees

HIGHLIGHTS

Baritone Hue

This captivating spoken word performance delved into themes of faith, self-worth, and the beauty of Black culture while exploring Dayton poet Leroy D. Bean's journey to Paris following in the footsteps of James Baldwin.

Dayton Dance Initiative

Dayton Dance Initiative provides professional dancers a platform to collaborate and create with artists outside their own company or genre while deepening the Dayton community's interaction with the art of dance. *CoLab II* was a fusion of Dayton's vibrant multidisciplinary artists that ignited the stage with six brand-new, original dance works.

Magnolia Theatre Company

Committed to bringing strong female characters to the stage in performances that entertain, inspire, and provoke, Magnolia Theatre Company produced and presented three shows during the 2024-2025 Season, including the all-female production of *Julius Caesar*.



Photo by Sean Korey

BENEFITS

- ▶ Reduced or free rental rates in the PNC Arts Annex
- ▶ Training for and use of in-house theatrical equipment
- ▶ Subsidized ticketing services
- ▶ Subsidized house management for performances
- ▶ Presence on the daytonlive.org website
- ▶ Access to Dayton Live marketing services
- ▶ Staff support and consultation

PARTICIPANT SPOTLIGHT

“ I had the script, vision, and team for my spoken word special, *Baritone Hue*, but I didn't have a certain level of resources and guidance to bring it to life. With the Community Spotlight Program, I was able to turn a live reading into a nearly sold-out, final-draft premiere of a full production. ” – [Leroy D. Bean](#)