



# A VISION FOR OUR FUTURE

2030

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## Abstract

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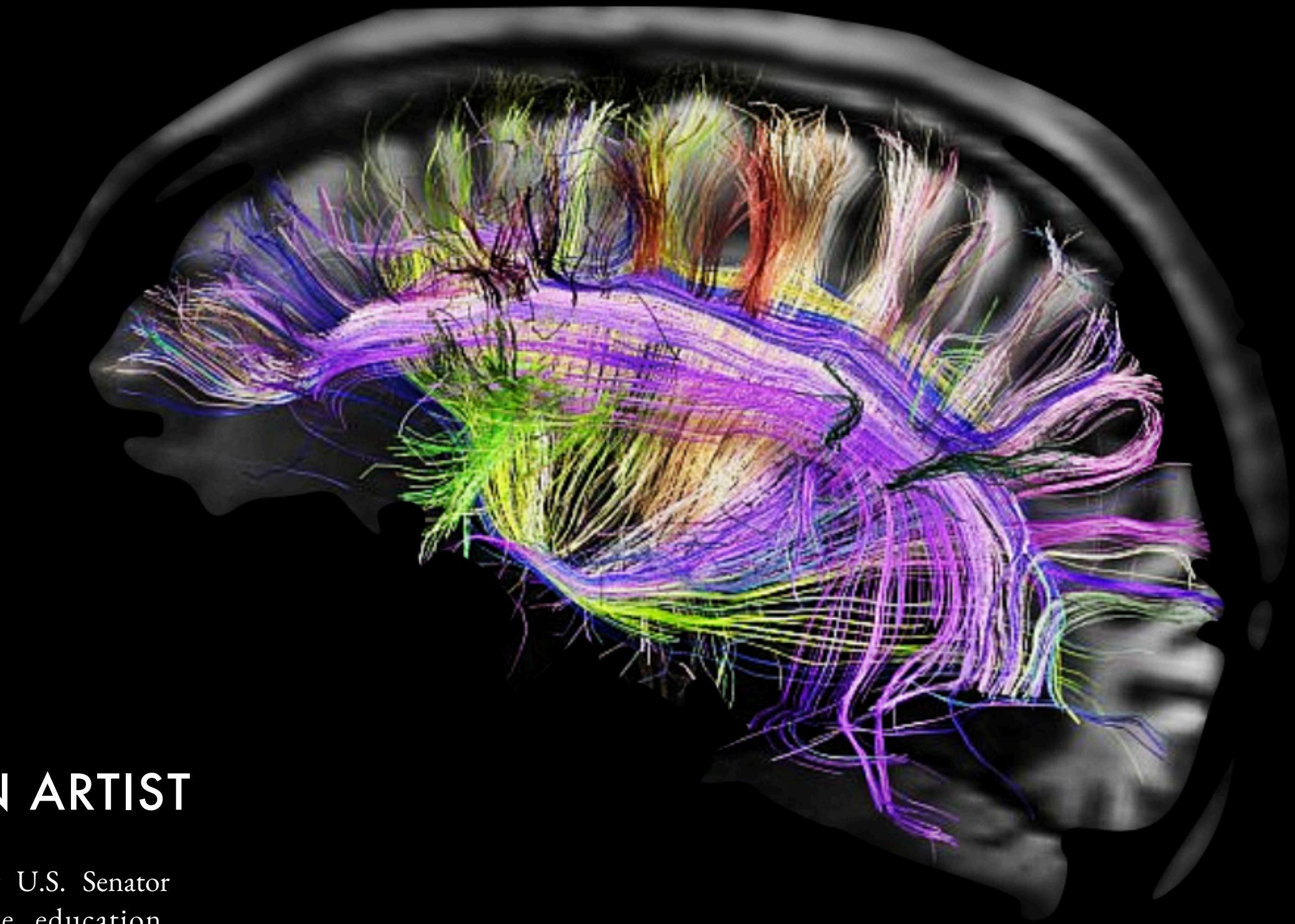
Opus 1 Foundation is on a mission to raise awareness and deliver solutions to global issues through the power of the arts. To-date, our work has reached over 65,000 people in seven countries across four continents through strategic partnerships and long-term programs, as well as through disaster relief and crisis response initiatives. We rise to meet challenges before, during and after issues arise to service the needs and improve the lives of those most vulnerable. We do so with impartiality as to nationality, race, gender, religious beliefs, class and political opinions. Guided by *A Vision for Our Future: 2030* – our collective plan of action to tackle the major challenges of our present-day society – we are committed to bringing attention to social, economic, and political problems; breaking down barriers through real-world solutions; and offering hope for a brighter future. Our strength lies in our innovative spirit and collective creativity, our volunteer network, our community-based expertise and our partnerships near-and-far. We continue to recognize that a more equitable, sustainable and conflict-free ecosystem begins and ends with a focus on community-building and social impact; advancing society through leading-edge projects and service-driven programs. We work to save, heal, inspire and empower through the arts, leveraging dynamic forces to elevate our global humanitarian and environmental standards. a world culture of peace, prosperity, inclusion, and sustainable development, where creativity and collaboration drive social equity and environmental resilience.

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## EVERYONE IS AN ARTIST

A program recently endorsed by U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand to advance education, employment, and equity for disabled individuals in the U.S. arts & culture economy

**“A world where the arts inspire collective action, empower marginalized voices, and build a more equitable, inclusive, and sustainable future for all.”**

Opus 1 Foundation has been harnessing the power of the arts to drive social change for nearly a decade. As a global network of artists, volunteers, and partners, we are dedicated to uplifting communities facing marginalization and vulnerability worldwide. Guided by core values of inclusivity, innovation, and empowerment, we address pressing global issues through creative modalities.

With a presence across multiple continents, Opus 1 Foundation is uniquely positioned to respond to challenges at every stage, ensuring the arts serve as a force for transformation and healing. Our programs and collaborations build connections within communities, providing platforms for underrepresented voices and fostering cross-cultural dialogue. Our impact is furthered by partnerships with local organizations, government agencies, and global stakeholders, as well as through grassroots engagement.

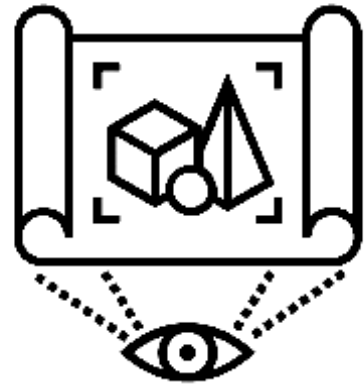
**A Vision for Our Future: 2030** builds on this legacy, adapting to an increasingly complex world. Global challenges— climate change, economic inequality, political unrest, and displacement— are intensified by technological advancements and shifting social dynamics. We recognize the growing demand for inclusion and justice, as marginalized voices seek recognition and opportunities to shape their futures.

In response, Opus 1 is reimagining how the arts can drive change. **We are embracing innovative technologies** like immersive media, virtual and augmented reality, and Web3 solutions to expand our reach and deepen our impact. This strategy calls for **visionary, effective, and principled leadership** that upholds our foundational values while embracing new approaches.

Our **Five-Year Plan** centers on empowering local communities and building partnerships across sectors. By **elevating local voices**, we aim to foster **dignity, agency, and resilience**. While deepening our community engagement, we will continue to operate as part of a global network committed to systemic change.

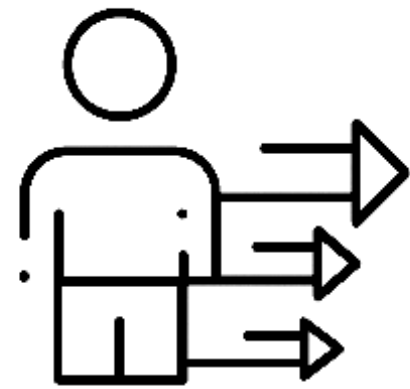
As the way people engage with art and activism evolves, so will our approach. **This strategy emphasizes inclusion**, particularly of underserved youth and underrepresented artists. Through creative programs and volunteer-driven projects, we will continue to harness collective action for good, ensuring the arts remain a vital force for building a more equitable, sustainable, and peaceful world.

We are committed to transparency and accountability, maintaining trust with the communities we serve, partners, and donors. This plan embodies **hope** – hope in the arts to save, heal, and inspire, and hope for a world where creativity drives lasting social change and opportunities for all to thrive.



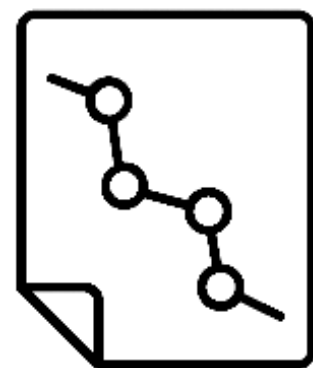
## OUR VISION

Opus 1's global network brings people together for the good of humanity and the planet, driving the changes that will create a better future for all.



## OUR APPROACH

We are firmly rooted in the right, agency and action of people to drive change for themselves, their communities, and for the world. We approach our work with a deep understanding of the interconnectedness of social systems, recognizing that creativity is a powerful tool for transformation across all aspects of life.



## OUR STRATEGY

Provides inspiration and direction for the whole of our network, allowing us to collectively achieve greater impact.

# 5

GOALS  
+ AREAS



## OUR STRATEGIC GOALS

### Goal 1: Expand our global reach & impact.

The arts must play a bigger role in addressing global challenges by tackling their root causes, understanding their evolving nature, and fostering resilience to mitigate impacts or prevent them entirely. To achieve this, we will expand our capacities to implement impactful programs in the U.S. and internationally, while adopting ethical approaches to sustain ecosystems and communities. By addressing interconnected risks like climate change, inequality, and health crises, we aim to create targeted, sustainable solutions.

### Goal 2: Elevate our innovation & sustainability.

Achieving innovation and sustainable development at scale requires a systemic approach that empowers individuals and communities to thrive and dream. We integrate sustainability and innovation into all aspects of our work, emphasizing education and capacity building for leadership, staff, and volunteers to adopt emerging tools and methodologies. By embedding advanced systems into program design and evaluation, we aim to reduce risks, achieve current objectives, and set a foundation for future impact.

### Goal 3: Empower our stakeholders.

We aim to promote inclusive, equitable, and cohesive societies where compassion thrives, diversity is celebrated, and the arts serve as a unifying force. By sharing resources, exchanging knowledge, and collaborating within our global network, we take collective action to address shared challenges and foster positive humanitarian values.

### Goal 4: Engage local, national, and international artists.

Artists are true innovators and architects of social change, using their creativity to raise awareness and inspire solutions to pressing global issues. By engaging artist ambassadors across diverse disciplines—from visual and digital arts to music, dance, and literature—we can harness their talents to cultivate a global movement that elevates the arts and drives meaningful change in communities worldwide.

### Goal 5: Evolve with our core principles, procedures, and protocols.

As we grow and adapt, we remain committed to using the arts to save, heal, inspire, and empower others while upholding accountability, transparency, and ethical standards. By fostering a culture of learning, embracing feedback, and leveraging innovation, we refine our practices to meet the evolving needs of the communities we serve. Through professional development and technological advancements, we aim to enhance collaboration, streamline workflows, and maximize our impact.

# OUR FOCUS AREAS – WHERE ARE WE NEEDED?

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## Education

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We are committed to expanding access to quality education through the arts, empowering underprivileged and marginalized communities with innovative and inclusive learning experiences.

By integrating the arts into educational frameworks and leveraging digital technologies like VR and AR, we aim to reach remote areas and foster creative thinking, problem-solving, and cross-cultural understanding.

Programs like **Everyone is an Artist** and **Music of the Heart** exemplify our efforts to bridge gaps in arts education for disabled individuals and underprivileged children, ensuring that creativity becomes a catalyst for personal development and societal progress.

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## Economic Development

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We recognize that true impact requires supporting pathways from education to employment, fostering economic progress locally and globally.

Programs like **Everyone is an Artist** aim to increase employment for disabled individuals in the U.S. arts economy by 8% by 2030, addressing inequities in wages and inclusion.

Internationally, initiatives like the **Mwanga Centre** in Kenya bridge education and employment, empowering communities in Korogocho and Dandora with sustainable opportunities for socioeconomic development.

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## Climate Change & Sustainability

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The climate crisis poses severe risks to humanity, exacerbating health effects, resource scarcity, and vulnerabilities for both people and ecosystems.

Through initiatives like **Percakapan Perahu** and the **E.ART.H** hub, we aim to mobilize artists, technologists, and communities to address climate challenges, inspire action, and create solutions for adaptation and mitigation. By integrating environmental sustainability into all areas of our work and reducing our own footprint, we strive to amplify collective responsibility and drive meaningful change by 2030.

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## Health & Well-Being

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While global health has seen significant progress, interconnected risks like rising mental health issues, loneliness, and the long-term impacts of trauma continue to strain individuals and communities.

Programs like **Confidance**, which offers dance therapy for women processing trauma, and **Op. 1 Labs**, focused on innovative art-based medical therapies, we aim to foster emotional healing and develop transformative treatments for mental and physical health challenges.

By prioritizing accessibility and affordability, we are committed to using the arts to enhance well-being and empower individuals worldwide.

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## Cross- & Inter-national Development

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Rising international tensions and cross-border conflicts are fracturing global connections and empathy, yet countless individuals remain committed to building a better world. Building on our 2024 theme of **Unity**, we will promote positive change through initiatives like the **Blue Sky** program in the Middle East, fostering cultural understanding and mutual respect among Israeli and Palestinian children through the arts. We will also travel across the United States, engaging local artists and communities through creative modalities to bridge cultural divides.

By championing inclusion, diversity, and intersectionality in leadership and society, we aim to empower communities and inspire a shared vision of peace and prosperity.



# PERCAKAPAN PERAHU

'Tales of the Boat'

An immersive multi-sensory project in Bali, Indonesia in partnership with W Hotels, focused on reconnecting people with each other and the environment in the face of climate change.



# OUR **IMPACT** – WHAT WE’VE ACHIEVED TO-DATE

DISPLACED CHILDREN

IMPOVERISHED YOUTH

DISABLED & DIVERSELY-ABLED

INDIGENOUS TRIBES

LOCAL ARTISTS

REMOTE COMMUNITIES



82,944 Total Beneficiaries

KENYA

UKRAINE

DENMARK

GREECE

INDONESIA

UNITED STATES



6 Countries

EDUCATION

HEALTH & WELL-BEING

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

CROSS-CULTURAL RELATIONS



5 Focus Areas

GHETTO CLASSICS

KICF

CELLOS FOR A CAUSE

REFLECTIONS

MWANGA CENTRE

OPEN CALL 2024

PERCAKAPAN PERAHU

BLUE SKY

WITH OR WITHOUT A TUTU

EIAA



10 Projects & Programs

# GHETTO CLASSICS

“Making music make a difference” for over 4,000 underprivileged youth across Kenya.

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