

What Does "Imagination Celebration" Do?

The answer is—we do a LOT! Here are just a few of the ways we are making a difference in the lives of our children and our community! Join us!



Stimulating brain development and innovation through arts education programs that touched over 150,000 people last year alone!

You have no idea how much joy you brought in the hour you spent with us. Most high school students are going through very stressful times and we forget how it feels to smile. Thank you for bringing me a whole heap of joy and bringing back my smile!
- High School Senior, on Performer in School



Inspiring children and their parents to explore their creativity together in schools, at Celebration Place in The Citadel, at the Pikes Peak Center and at home.

My family doesn't have to travel to experience great visual and performing artists because Imagination Celebration brings excellent programs to us. Because of them, my children not only experience great art, they make great art!
- Shell Acker, parent



Honoring the diversity of our community by presenting national touring shows for our Family Theater Season, providing tickets to disadvantaged students and families, paying tribute to our military families and recognizing outstanding achievements in the arts for and by young people.

The play taught me a lot about the Harlem Renaissance and Black history. It left me with a great appreciation for the African-American arts such as jazz and the blues, in a way I have never felt before.
-5th Grade Student, on "Harlem"

I grew up in New York City and I have seen many shows across the country. This was the best! It will stay in my heart forever.
-Adult attending "The Velveteen Rabbit"



Encouraging life-long learning through hands-on classes for pre-schoolers, artist-in-residence programs for area schools, life and work skills training for at-risk youth and professional development for teachers.

I found myself constantly becoming aware of methods, approaches to teaching, and info I had not before considered. I am thrilled with all the concrete ideas I now have to take back to my classroom. I met extraordinary people who I can use as resources and mentors. What a wonderful authentic experience!
- Teacher, on the Summer Teacher's Institute



Building bridges among arts and cultural resources, local government, schools, businesses, and professional organizations to create a stronger community for the next generation.

Imagination Celebration does more than simply bring educational art, dance, music and theatre into area schools and host a series of public events. It is enriching the lives of young people in ways that cut across the many, diverse segments of our community, at a time when too many young people go begging for positive experiences.

- The Gazette

