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ANNUAL REPORT

PRESERVING AND INTERPRETING THE VALLEY'S HISTORY WITH ENGAGING EXHIBITIONS AND DYNAMIC PROGRAMMING FOR THE EDUCATION AND ENRICHMENT OF THE COMMUNITY, ITS CHILDREN, AND FUTURE GENERATIONS

BLACK MOUNTAIN COLLEGE & BLACK MOUNTAIN, AN EXHIBIT CLOSING SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2018

This new exhibit not only introduces visitors to the history of the college and the artists that made it famous, but also explores the striking influence the Swannanoa Valley's cultural and natural environment had on those who studied and taught there.

BY THE NUMBERS

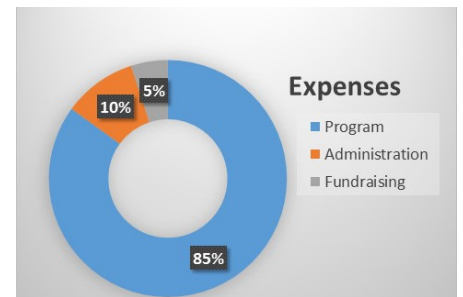
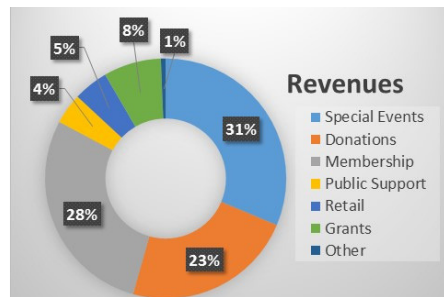
WE SERVED:
8,578 VISITORS
2,946 EVENT PARTICIPANTS
1,154 STUDENTS
37 RESEARCHERS & 15 INTERNS

WITH:
51 HIKES & PROGRAMS
34 NEW ARTIFACTS PROTECTED

MADE POSSIBLE BY:
5200+ VOLUNTEER HOURS
700+ MEMBERS & DONORS

2017/18 FINANCIALS

With a total operating budget of \$109,000, we ended our fiscal year in the black for the 29th year in a row and increased our operating reserves. Also of note, we repaid all capital debt accrued during our interior renovation.



BEACON BLANKETS, THE EXHIBIT OPENING APRIL 2019

When it opened in Swannanoa in 1924, Beacon was the largest blanket manufacturer in the world. This new exhibit will look at the mill's history, people, and legacy. On display will be beautifully-patterned blankets and other memorabilia from the plant's Swannanoa tenure.

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