

Rald Institute 2012 - 2013 Annual Report



Dear Friends,

To borrow from Frederick Douglass;

“It is easier to build strong children than to repair broken men.”

Ongoing challenges, including increased violence and wider economic disparities, created a greater urgency for Rald Institute volunteers to strengthen children in our community. Through our partnerships, we drew on nearly a quarter century of experience to respond to the unprecedented needs of children, especially those at-risk.

In 2013, over four hundred children were the beneficiaries of Rald Institute’s thoughtful collaboration between volunteers, school personnel, and community members eager to serve children and youth. We assessed, taught, and helped to staff at-risk and special needs children. We provided leadership experiences to gifted, special needs and other students through carefully designed, inclusive, multidisciplinary arts programming.

In June 2013, we curated our largest exhibit of the works of our artist benefactors, the AfriCobra Collective—with AfriCobra inspired student art from the Rald Institute collection and from the work of primary level students at the Edward Bouchet International Academy. Because of this special programming, several of the advanced pupils became student guides and lecturers, and many were motivated to study, discuss the works, and produce their own works. Artists Sherman Beck, Carolyn Lawrence, Omar Lama, Gerald Sanders, Professor Arlene Crawford, and others lectured with me. Crawford, Adilicia Jacqueline Robbins, Brian Smith, and others helped with the curating and installation.

Among our important volunteer associates was clinical psychologist, Larry Turner, who continued our in-kind clinical services for children and families at Bouchet School.

Our unforgettable fundraising concert coordinated by percussionist Terry Ross, included performances by jazz giants Morris Jennings, Ari Brown, Brian Smith, Sennebella, Marlene Rosenberg, Anthony Normand, Kirk Brown, and Theophilus Reed. A highlight was featured pianist, Willie Pickens, with his Ravinia Scholar students, Julian Reid and Thaddeus Tukes.

Many thanks to the National Asian Pacific Center on Aging and the Bir Training Center for in-kind services, internships, and training that helped to make these past two years some of our best!

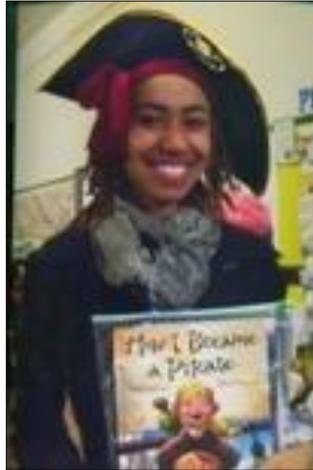
Sincerely,

Beverly Ross Normand, Ph.D.
President and CEO

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Beatrice Peter (r) taught upper grade reading



Ashli Watts counseled and monitored attendance



Ms. View was a friend indeed for those with special needs

In 2012 and 2013, Rald Institute accomplished our mission of providing services for at-risk, gifted, special needs and other pupils and their families and schools by:

- **Providing multidisciplinary arts programming benefitting over 400 children**
- **Providing assessments, clinical teaching and behavioral interventions to 60 students**
- **Monitoring and charting progress of students**
- **Supporting students, families, teachers and administrators**
- **Continuing and building partnerships with community leaders**

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Rald Institute Workshops Benefit Professionals and Parents



Bernard Richard, LCSW, a key player in Rald Institute's team of clinical volunteers, recently joined clinical psychologist, Larry Turner and Virginia Maynor, LSW, in presenting an interactive workshop entitled *Violence Within: the management of personal anger*. "Many people believe that counseling is only for people with disabilities, but sharing experiences and listening to each other helps everyone improve physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual health."

Dr. Larry Turner demonstrated deep breathing and exercises in his presentation at the well-attended workshop for professionals and parents. For over 30 years, he specialized in trauma and Substance Abuse Therapy. He has served, as a volunteer for Rald Institute for several years, was one of the first mentors in the Black Star Project in 1996, and volunteered as Director of the Community of Men, which mentors young men in schools.

Virginia Maynor talked about practical ways of helping children learn to cope with anger and disappointment, including evidence-based treatment such as changing demands into requests, focusing on facing situations that can not be changed, listening more, and changing the environment when possible. Virginia is a retired school social worker and member of the board of directors of Rald Institute.

Rald Institute Extends Appreciation:

Retired Principal Kim Sims, Artist Gerald Sanders, and Nurse Administrator Elva Posey



THE CAT IN THE HAT IS NOW LAID - BACK!

Kim Sims, retired Principal of Edward Bouchet International Academy, partnered with Rald Institute for many years. In 2012-13, we provided assessments, interventions, and technical assistance and advocacy for over 60 children in the Response to Intervention program. The school received one-half million dollars worth of in-kind services from Rald Institute and our associates in the past five years. A special shout-out to Bouchet School staff Tina Franklin Bertrand, Mrs. Chybaa, and Delphine Hill.



Gerald Sanders, a Lifetime Legacy Artist Donor, has been Art Teacher-Director of Rald Institute Art Workshops for many years and has given 15 years of in-kind services.



Elva Posey, RN has been a Rald Institute supporter for over 20 years. Her professional and financial support has assured success for many RALD programs.

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Rald Institute students participated in activities and events with prominent artists.



Art students lectured on historical themes, compared, and contrasted artists' techniques. They interviewed artist, Carolyn Lawrence, wrote essays, drew pictures, and held discussions.



Rald Institute art students with Professor Napoleon Jones Henderson and President Beverly Normand at the opening of the AfriCobra Exhibition at Northwestern University.

Photo by Robert Abbott Sengstacke.



A few of Rald Institute's talented art students, relaxing after art class.

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The Rald Institute Fund Raiser featured prominent musician supporters.

The Rald Institute Fund Raising Concert included performances by the great jazz musicians *TERRY ROSS, MORRIS JENNINGS, BRIAN SMITH, MARLENE ROSENBERG, WILLIE PICKENS, KIRK BROWN, ARI BROWN, AND ANTHONY NORMAND.*

The magnificent vocalists, *SENNEBELLA AND THEOPHILUS REED* enhanced the historical musical event hosted by board members Sharon Morrow Alexander, Joan Sassano, Bernie Richard, Cris Coley and others.

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MANY THANKS TO ALL OUR SUPPORTERS

Thanks to our generous donors and sponsors, Rald Institute was able to reach many of our goals and uphold our mission to provide educational and arts programming for gifted, regular, and at-risk/special needs youth, families, and teachers. You can help today by going to our secure website, www.raldinstitute.com, or mailing a tax-deductible gift to Rald Institute at 7350 S. Jeffery Blvd., Chicago, IL 60649-3226.

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WE ARE GRATEFUL

Rald Institute is especially grateful for the organizations, individuals, and businesses that supported our programs throughout the year through their generous donations of in-kind services and goods. Thanks to volunteers, we were able to uphold our mission of providing diagnostic, academic, behavioral, and cultural services for at-risk, gifted, special needs and other children and their families, teachers, and schools.

STAFF

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Executive Director/Interventionist

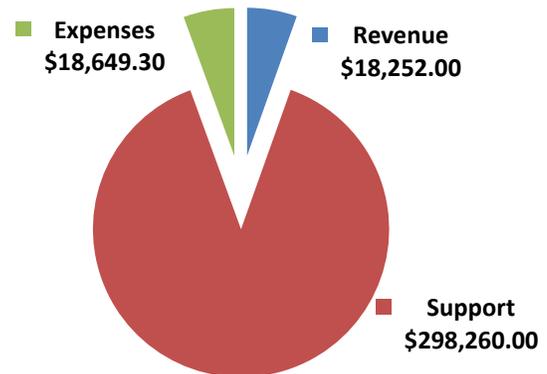
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2012-13 Statement of Support

Revenue and Support

Cash/Check Donations	11,912.00
Membership	3,080.00
Fund Raising	3,260.00
Noncash gifts	(9,630.00)
Salaries paid by foundations	(21,600.00)
Value of services provided by psychologists, teaching specialists and artists	(155,460.00)
Total Revenue	18,252.00
Total Support	298,260.00



Expenses

Occupancy and utilities	3,679.00
Instructional /supplies	2,992.00
Advertising and website	1,600.90
Accounting/bank services	1,175.00
Maintenance and security	1,797.00
Fund Raising	3,705.00
Stipends	698.00
Exhibitions, field trips, food	2,203.00
Salaries from grants	(21,600.00)
Salaries in-kind	(155,460.00)
Total Expenses	18,649.30