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Thunderbirds Charities Supports Mesa Arts Center's MABEL, the Mobile Art-Based Engagement Lab, with \$10,000 Grant



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Mesa, AZ — Mesa Arts Center is excited to announce a \$10,000 grant from Thunderbirds Charities supporting MABEL, the Mobile Art-Based Engagement Lab, providing access to arts in underserved communities.

This grant enables MABEL to offer free hands-on art experiences and activities to create connections, spark creativity, catalyze change and prompt discussion. MABEL is a colorful 12-foot modular trailer offering the flexibility to provide an ideal space for any

artistic experience. Intended to be an extension of the Mesa Arts Center campus, MABEL serves as an easy access point for anyone to engage with the arts.

“Community-building engagement is at the core of our mission,” said Danica Marlin, community engagement specialist at Mesa Arts Center. “Thunderbirds Charities have been our biggest champion in this effort affording us the resources and support to continually create experiences to be in community with one another.”

Learn more about MABEL and upcoming community events at www.mesaartscenter.com/mabel.

About Thunderbirds Charities

Thunderbirds Charities is a non-profit organization formed in 1986 to distribute monies raised through the WM Phoenix Open. The mission of Thunderbirds Charities is to assist children and families, help people in need and improve the quality of life in the Greater Phoenix Metropolitan Area. The Thunderbirds were founded in 1937 with the mission of promoting the Valley of the Sun through sports. The Thunderbirds consist of 55 “active” members and more than 285 “life” members. For more information on the Thunderbirds Charities, visit www.thunderbirdscharities.org.

About Mesa Arts Center

The Mesa Arts Center, owned and operated by the City of Mesa, is a unique, architecturally stunning facility located in the heart of downtown Mesa. Arizona's largest arts center is home to four theaters, five art galleries and 14 art studios. Guests, patrons and students come to Mesa Arts Center to enjoy the finest live entertainment and performances, world-class visual art exhibitions and outstanding arts education classes. The Mesa Arts Center mission is to inspire people through engaging arts experiences that are diverse, accessible and relevant. For more information, visit mesaartscenter.com.

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