

The Council Chambers  
City Hall  
Portsmouth, New Hampshire

A Proclamation

- Whereas:** From its start in 2002, the mission of the Portsmouth Music and Arts Center, has remained to build community through the arts by providing all people with the opportunity to achieve their full creative potential, regardless of their age, ability or economic status; and
- Whereas:** PMAC has accomplished this by motivating and inspiring thousands of passionate and gifted music and visual arts students through PMAC's leadership and its faculty's commitment to the highest educational standards; and
- Whereas:** PMAC's teaching, regardless of musical genre or artistic medium, encourages the development of strong foundations and is bolstered by welcoming guest artists who introduce students to a wide array of culturally diverse traditions that echo the City's own commitment to being a diverse and welcoming municipality; and
- Whereas:** Just a few years before PMAC was founded, the City launched the effort to produce a Cultural Plan which led to the formation of ArtSpeak. That legacy now inspires the Portsmouth Arts and Nonprofits Committee – with PMAC's Russ Grazier as co-chairman – to revise that Plan and invigorate the next twenty years of artistic excellence in a City now enriched by such pivotal institutions as PMAC; and
- Whereas:** PMAC has created ensemble, performance and exhibition opportunities for students, professionals and audiences that are the foundation for Portsmouth's reputation as an arts, music and cultural destination; and
- Whereas:** PMAC strives constantly to provide their students – and by extension to provide every resident who has enjoyed the PMAC experience -- the pleasure of being part of the arts renaissance that has helped shape Portsmouth's unique and distinctive sense of place; and
- Whereas:** PMAC has helped pave the way for an extraordinary Portsmouth culture of music and visual arts.

Now, therefore, I, Deaglan McEachern, Mayor of the City of Portsmouth, on behalf of the members of the City Council and citizens of Portsmouth, do hereby proclaim December 5, 2022 in Portsmouth as

Portsmouth Arts and Music Center  
20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Day

and call upon the residents of Portsmouth to join in celebrating, accordingly.



Given with my hand and the  
Seal of the City of Portsmouth,  
on this 5<sup>th</sup> day of December 2022

Deaglan McEachern, Mayor of Portsmouth

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to be 'Deaglan McEachern', is written over the printed name and extends across the right side of the page.