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ARTS for ALL Wisconsin provides Artist Residencies (ages 3 and up), choir programs, a statewide Call for art (ages 5 and up), weekly arts classes in Madison, a traveling exhibition of award-winning visual art, and arts programming for veterans statewide.

Nearly **6 million people** live in Wisconsin

8% of them have a disability

That's about **500,000 people**

The mission of **ARTS for ALL Wisconsin** is to expand the capabilities, confidence, and quality of life for children and adults with disabilities by providing programs in dance, drama, creative writing, music, and visual art.

WE BELIEVE

- Experiences in the arts enhance personal growth in all participants
- The arts are a universal and essential language that challenge people to respond to the world, look beyond themselves, and celebrate diversity by building bridges between people, across cultures, and through generations
- Participation in the arts by individuals with disabilities promotes acceptance and inclusion in all aspects of life, increases educational achievement, and enables career success

The Every Student Succeeds Act has identified Wisconsin **students with disabilities** and black students as the “**most commonly found to have poor outcomes** compared to their peers.”



“On the last day they asked me if I was sorry to be done and if I would miss them. Of course, the answer was yes. They were truly a blessing to me.”

- Sylvia Peine, Milwaukee-based
ARTS for ALL Teaching Artist



“Because of my disability, I really don't get a whole lot of respect. It's been a rough life for me, and being with my friends here...it's a wonderful group and I love them. I feel comfortable, and I feel like I'm wanted.”

- Kathy Dyreson, ARTS for ALL
Madison Choir member