



MESSAGE TO OUR COMMUNITY

June 23, 2020

Supporting Artists Who Support Us All & Bring Us Together

All In WA: A Concert for COVID-19 Relief by Presenting Sponsor Amazon and Community Leadership Sponsor Microsoft is taking place on Wednesday, June 24 featuring the inspiring and insightful voices of artists and creative leaders in our community. All In WA recognizes that art and artists are essential to our lives and will be critical to our recovery from the COVID-19 crisis.

Every day—and especially during this difficult time—artists bring us together. They bring vision and beauty to our days, and help us to understand ourselves and each other. They shape the culture that defines the places we call home.

In committing themselves to the creative pursuits that benefit us all, many artists are left vulnerable to financial instability. In the face of this crisis, that vulnerability is dramatically multiplied. Nearly every artist is facing a serious, if not total, loss of income right now, and yet many continue to offer their work to our communities as we collectively seek to connect during this time.

All In WA lifts up and creates a platform for response funds across Washington state. These locally led response funds provide direct support to those who are most vulnerable—including the artists who need our help right now. As arts organizations pivot to provide essential services to artists and others in need, they too can access support from All In WA. Many of the funds that are part of this statewide effort are providing support to creative communities.

We know many other arts organizations are also hurting deeply right now, especially given that so many of them have been forced to close as a result of COVID-19. We encourage Washingtonians to support these important institutions now more than ever.

The arts are not only helping us to connect while we maintain physical distance, they will be a necessary part of healing as we make our way through this experience together. Without the contributions of talented artists across Washington state, this concert would not be possible.

Questions regarding this statement? Please contact the All In WA team at info@allinwa.org.