



Black Wall Street Arts, Inc.

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(include a personal note for those you know)

Dear [BUSINESS NAME],

On September 7, 2018 Dr. Ricco Wright invested in the future of Black Wall Street, resurrecting the heart of the Greenwood District at the corner of Greenwood Avenue and Archer. For nearly a century, ideas for the rebirth of Black Wall Street have come and gone. With the opening of the Black Wall Street Gallery, a channel to unity was created. In August, Dr. Wright looked at the bare, untouched 700-square-foot space, envisioned a gallery that would also build community, and created a place for diverse gatherings.

The Conciliation Series, the first exhibition at the Gallery, which featured one black artist and one non-black artist over a year, stirred Tulsans of all walks of life to engage and collaborate. Hundreds of non-Tulsans have visited the gallery as they tour the District to learn more about the 1921 Race Massacre. From Marjorie Atwood's work incorporating into her female portraits copies of the actual historic documents that reflect on the 1921 massacre to Stacie Monday's colorful paintings of strong black women of today, the gallery is commemorating history while celebrating artists of a new era and breathing new life into Black Wall Street.

September 7th is a day that represents the start of opportunities much bigger than we imagined. Since its opening, the Gallery has proven itself to be a place where local artists are praised, relationships are cultivated and community thrives. In less than a year, thousands of people—Tulsans and tourists alike, have come to the space to learn about the local arts, Greenwood, Black Wall Street, and the tragedy of The 1921 Race Massacre, and to seek healing and solutions.

We at Black Wall Street Arts believe that the arts transcend the barriers that are caused by our differences in heritage, culture, gender and race. While we are actively bringing people together in an effort to share ideas, bridge gaps between diverse groups of people and heal through art, we can be stronger as a community if you share in the vision for unity, equity and prosperity for all Tulsans.

The Gallery stands as the flagship of our non-profit 501c3 organization, Black Wall Street Arts, Inc. where our work is to shed a light on our shared history and to demonstrate the imperative of working collaboratively toward caring, productive and sustainable relations. We are reaching out to you for support. Please review our attached donor brochure and view our social media pages on Facebook and Instagram. Your support will uplift Black Wall Street artists through monthly installments, maintain the community space for discussions, art projects, shows, poetry and more including the Conciliation Series, Royal Hotel Concerts, First Friday events, and daily operations of the gallery Wednesday-Sunday.

Thank you in advance for your support. Here are the ways you can make a donation:

www.blackwallstreetgallery.com | Facebook: Black Wall Street Arts | Instagram: @blackwallstreetarts

Or send a check to: Black Wall Street Arts Inc., 101 N. Greenwood Ave., Tulsa OK 74120

Sincerely,

P.S. We hope to see you at our anniversary fundraising dinner on Saturday, September 7. You can find more details on our website, www.blackwallstreetarts.org