

# As we move closer to a full reopening, we're also counting down to Fairfield County's Giving Day on February 25th

With the events industry one of the hardest hit by the pandemic, it's now even more crucial to support your local arts organizations and education programs. Unfortunately, many were already forced to close for good.

Don't let the arts fall through the cracks! The culture and togetherness that the arts provide helps to turn a city into a community.

If you like what we do here at The Klein as Bridgeport's performing arts center, please consider supporting us and donating this Giving Day. We want to continue to provide our community with quality programming & education, and maintain this facility so arts groups and organizations of all kinds have a spacious and convenient venue to hold their events.



Photo above from Cirque de la Symphonie presented by Greater Connecticut Youth Orchestras, Feb. 2020

Whether it's a choir on stage singing a cappella, a full orchestra, or a rock band, The Klein's excellent acoustics enhance the experience of live music. In 2019, concerts got even better with state-of-the-art upgrades made to our lighting and audio systems.

Recent acts include: Everclear with special guest Paul Gabriel Blues Band, Vienna Boys Choir, Trombone Shorty at ADL's Voices event, Fairfield County Children's Choir, Lyle Lovett, Gateway Orchestra performing the opera Aida, The Legends 70s Soul Concert Tour, the Quantico Marine Corps Band & many more.

In 2020, we had to improvise to keep the music going. For the first time, we set up a stage & speakers outside for our socially distanced concert series presented with Full Blast Booking.



Jen Durkin's Steal Your Funk, Main Stage at The Klein 2020



Greater Bridgeport Symphony recording a virtual winter concert, 2020

Although indoor theater audiences have been reduced for the time being, our programming has been greatly enhanced by the installation of our **live-streaming system** generously donated by dnr Laboratories. Since its installation in late 2020, we have held several live-streamed events, from weddings to The Nutcracker.

# The Klein Is... CONCERTS DANCE DRAMA, COMEDY & SPECIAL EVENTS COMMUNITY EVENTS EDUCATION



This will be The Klein's 7th year participating in Giving Day, powered by Fairfield County's Community Foundation. We hope to make this one the best yet!

MORE INFO

## View our event calendar at theklein.org

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Thank you to our corporate, foundation, and government partners who make this program possible. Klein Theatre Arts is tuition-free, and is the only after school arts education program of its kind in Bridgeport. Klein Theatre Arts is now in its eighth year, continuing to meet the needs of the inner city Bridgeport students and their families.

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