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Annual Report
2019-20 & 2020-21

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“Marymount Manhattan is a place apart—unique in its boldness, its defiance of convention, its lived commitment to social justice. But the College is also very much *a part*—of New York City, of community, and of creative teaching and learning.”

The past few years have unquestionably tested our resilience as we have confronted not only a global health crisis but also systemic racial injustice.

Of the many lessons I have learned during these turbulent times, perhaps the most important is that the bonds of our common humanity are unbreakable. Each page of this Annual Report illustrates the truth of this statement.

Your generosity during two of the most tumultuous years in recent memory has been remarkable. Thanks to you, MMC has made bold progress, not despite the challenges that surround us, but in response to them.

At MMC, we excel at transcending traditional boundaries—between research and practice, one area of study and another, the campus and the city, and college and “real life.” The projects, initiatives, and programs highlighted in this Annual Report reflect this holistic approach, which is a hallmark of an MMC education.

As our students learn to overcome narrow categories with expansive landscapes of their own making, they can design new and unexpected futures. Your generous gifts have allowed MMC students to forge exciting pathways through the bramble, to create the compassionate world they believe it can be.

I extend my sincere thanks to you for helping our small but mighty college do what we do best: prepare determined, creative students to make a positive impact in the world.

Thank you for being an integral part of the Marymount Manhattan College family. Thank you for giving our students the gift of an MMC education.

With appreciation,

Kerry Walk, Ph.D.
President



\$18,875,810

Total Raised FY20

\$17,143,181

Total Raised FY21

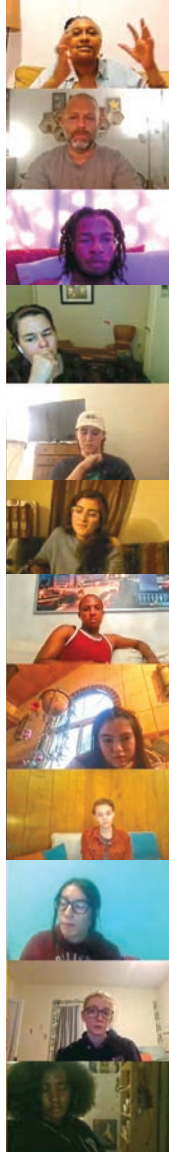
**Big Numbers,
Big Impact.**

Creative collaboration and problem-solving are at the heart of an MMC education. Read on for a few outstanding examples of teaching and learning reimagined for a new era.



Sojourner Truth Suffrage Academy

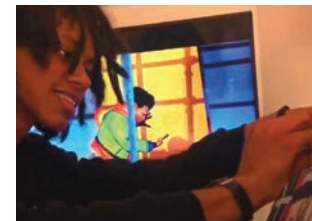
The Sojourner Truth Suffrage Academy, a transdisciplinary curriculum spearheaded by 16 MMC faculty members, launched in Spring 2021 to explore the history of enfranchisement in the United States and beyond. The program, in collaboration with the College's prison education programs, included virtual guest lectures from experts who weighed in on 19th-century women's rights and suffrage.



Stand Up Speak Out

MMC's Fall 2020 Stand Up Speak Out student-led festival, in collaboration with the Bedford Hills College Program (BHCP), highlighted the importance of higher education in stemming mass incarceration and promoting rehabilitation for justice-involved individuals.

Through theatre workshops, poetry, art, and media, students were able to break out of their comfort zones to understand the impacts of social justice and education.



The One Hundreds

In Spring 2021, MMC Dance Company students taught their peers, faculty, staff, and senior leaders—including President Kerry Walk, seen above with MMC dancers—a re-creation of "The One Hundreds," an iconic 1970 dance piece by Twyla Tharp, whose vision was to make dancing accessible to all people. The multiday program culminated with a group of MMC community members gathering in Central Park to perform the sequence in unison.



The Intercultural Center (IC)

The IC opened its doors in Summer 2021 as a new space on campus dedicated to providing a welcoming, educational environment for students across marginalized groups. This space supports and sustains our collective efforts to cultivate an authentically diverse and inclusive campus environment by providing a wide array of resources, programming, and experiences focused on community-building, social support, and social justice.



Judith Mara Carson Center *for* Visual Arts

The Judith Mara Carson Center for Visual Arts will occupy 12,000 square feet on the eighth floor and a portion of the seventh floor of the College’s main building, Carson Hall. The new visual arts center will serve as a creative hub for teaching and learning, and for engaging and invigorating the wider community.



“The Visual Arts Center will be such an inviting and lively space. It will inspire students’ imaginations and stimulate creativity beyond the boundaries of traditional artistic study and practice.”
– Judy Carson ’03, H’13



“We chose Marymount Manhattan College for some of our philanthropies for the fact that we’ve always admired the leadership here.”
– Russell L. Carson

\$25,000,000 largest gift in
MMC history

\$15,000,000
Judith Mara Carson Center for Visual Arts

\$10,000,000
scholarships for MMC students

Scholarship funds are critical for MMC students, 80% of whom major or minor in a creative field. Of the \$10 million gift, \$7 million will be used for immediate-use scholarships, and \$3 million will be used to create a scholarship endowment.

MMC has a long tradition of increasing environmental awareness and engaging in environmentally sustainable practices.



In April 2021, MMC announced our designation as a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Green Power Partner. By moving the needle in the voluntary green power market, MMC and other Green Power Partners are helping reduce the negative health impacts of air emissions, including those related to ozone, fine particles, acid rain, and regional haze.

Green initiatives at MMC include:

- Partnering with Bright Power, an energy and water management consulting company
- Replacing Carson Hall's north-facing windows, improving energy efficiency
- Installing a building management system that electronically controls utilities including heating, electricity, and cooling
- Using organic, pesticide-free landscaping tools
- Significantly changing dining services through our food-service vendor, including a waste-reduction program, more plant-based food options, and sustainable eating utensils
- Implementing the Free Water Campaign, in which water-filling stations were installed and the sale of bottled water was prohibited on campus
- Piloting an on-site, self-sorting recycling program

2,900,000 kilowatt hours of green power are produced annually at MMC

100% of MMC's power is purchased from renewable resources



Annual Scholarship Benefit

Because of donors like you, we were able to raise more than \$1 million at our Spring 2021 Annual Scholarship Benefit to support the next generation of Griffins.

“Receiving a scholarship to attend Marymount Manhattan College was honestly a blessing because I don’t come from a wealthy family. I funded my own college education. It was literally me with a dream. I was happy that Marymount was able to help me along my journey financially and also mentally, because I think that they saw my light. They saw my passion.”

– Emani “King” Mack ’20



“Jim and I both received help when we were going to college, and we just felt that it was time to give back.”

– Lucille Zanghi P’11
Honoree and Trustee Emerita



“Scholarships level the playing field a bit and make the education at Marymount Manhattan available to anyone, regardless of their means.”

– Jim Dow P’11
Honoree

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Christine Mitchell '20

HEOP special projects and events manager/intern Christine Mitchell received the 4th Annual HEOP Eilene Bertsch Award and a Silver M Award at the 2020 Leadership Awards, hosted by MMC's Student Development and Activities.



Fahima Dagia '21

Through MMC's United Nations Program, Fahima worked as the communications intern with the NGO Scalabrini Immigration Migration Network (SIMN). She worked closely with the communications director to make brochures and content calendars. Fahima enjoyed assisting with SIMN's social media, marketing, communication portfolios, and reports.

In 2020, the MMC community lost Dr. Eilene Bertsch '59, who was, among many wonderful attributes, a dedicated alumna and the longest-serving Chief Academic Officer in the College's history.



A champion for students from economically and educationally disadvantaged backgrounds, Dean Bertsch played an integral role in establishing and advancing MMC's High Education Opportunity Program (HEOP). Gifts in her memory will benefit students in HEOP.



Gifts to MMC have an impact on every aspect of the student experience at the College, supporting student scholarships, faculty initiatives, new academic programs and curriculum enhancements, campus improvements and technology updates, and other areas of greatest need.

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Nathalie
Diller '20

Nathalie Diller earned a Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship to serve as a language-learning assistant in the Czech Republic for the 2020-21 academic year. She was selected from thousands of candidates across the country for one of only 30 awards for the Czech Republic.



Aisatou
Ishimori '23

A sophomore with a double major in International Business and Marketing, Aisatou is excited to explore new places and meet new people during her fellowship. Her experiences as a biracial woman growing up across three continents inspired her to work with young people living under hardship, disadvantage, and intense discrimination. Aisatou's vision is to make a real impact on struggling teens.



Madison Weisend '20

Madison received a prestigious Fulbright U.S. Student Program award for an English Teaching Assistantship in South Korea during the 2020-21 academic year. She was also a Boren Scholar and studied Hindi, food security, and women’s rights in India during her sophomore year in 2017-18.



Ethan Giroux '22

Ethan, a Business major with a concentration in Social Entrepreneurship, was awarded the fellowship in 2020. In his first year of the program, he worked for the city of Pittsburgh as a member of the Sustainability and Resilience, Food Security Project. Ethan will have additional opportunities to intern at leading local and global organizations, which will deepen his knowledge of and experience in a field of his interest.

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