



## Mission

ArtsTech's mission is to better the lives of underserved urban youth through the development of marketable artistic and technical skills. ArtsTech accomplishes this by operating a center for youth enterprise, building collaborative partnerships that use art and technology as educational tools for the benefit of youth in the community.

## Collaborative Partners and Funders

Bank Midwest  
City of Kansas City Missouri  
COMBAT Prosecutor's Office  
DST Systems  
Francis Family Foundation  
H&R Block Foundation  
Healthcare Foundation of Greater Kansas City  
Jackson County Family Court  
JE Dunn Construction  
Kansas Department of Education  
Kansas City Kansas Community College  
Kansas City Missouri School District  
Local Initiatives Support Corporation  
Missouri Assistive Technology  
Missouri Department of Economic Development  
Missouri Department of Public Safety  
Missouri Department of Vocational Rehabilitation  
Missouri Student Success Network  
Muriel McBrien Kauffman Foundation  
National Cristina Foundation  
R.A. Long Foundation  
REACH Healthcare Foundation  
Rodgers Health Center  
UMB Bank



## Computer Redistribution Program

CRP is a collaborative venture between the National Cristina Foundation and ArtsTech to provide persons with disabilities and other needy individuals, schools, and non-profit agencies with refurbished computer equipment.

ArtsTech distributes 500+ computers each year to people with disabilities, at-risk individuals, and organizations that serve these special populations.

ArtsTech is grateful to the businesses, schools, and individuals that donate used computers for refurbishing.

**Computer Sales & Service:** ArtsTech offers quality refurbished Pentium III and higher computer systems at cost. Most units include a CD-ROM, modem or network card, and Windows 2000 XP operating system. Other accessories/peripherals are available at a reasonable cost. Refurbished computers come with a 6-month warranty.

New computers can also be built to meet your specific requirements. These units will have typical manufacturer warranties.

**Networking Services:** ArtsTech can build network computer labs with your current equipment or with refurbished computers. Maintenance agreements and technology plan development for organizations or schools are also offered.

**Computer Repair & Troubleshooting Training:** The troubleshooting class that provides a hands-on opportunity for youth and adult learners to master basic techniques and skills for diagnosing, repairing, and upgrading computers. Upon successful completion of the 20-hour course, learners will be given the computer they refurbished, along with the toolkit used in class. These repair and diagnostic skills can save hundreds of dollars in costly repairs and down time.

**CONTACT: Ricardo Fierro**  
ArtsTech, 1522 Holmes, KCMO 64108  
Ph: 816-461-0201, ext. 305, Fax: 816-461-0210  
Email: [rfierro@artstech-kc.org](mailto:rfierro@artstech-kc.org)

WELCOME TO



A Center for Youth Enterprise

1522 Holmes  
Kansas City, MO 64108-1536  
816-461-0201—Phone  
816-461-0210—Fax  
Website: [www.artstech-kc.org](http://www.artstech-kc.org)  
Email: [artstech@artstech-kc.org](mailto:artstech@artstech-kc.org)



## ArtsTech

Imagine a center where 100 young adults work to develop their artistic talents and produce quality products and services that support the local community.

Imagine hundreds of school-age children rushing up the stairs to the art gallery to learn and be inspired by art mentors demonstrating numerous art techniques all aligned to educational standards.

Imagine youth-serving organizations and community artists all having a place to showcase their work in an interactive and professional gallery.

Imagine persons with disabilities enhancing their quality of life after receiving their first computers, which were refurbished by urban core youth applying their new technology skills.

ArtsTech offers these opportunities and much, much more.

ArtsTech is a public/private collaborative venture that offers young people and the community an opportunity to advance their artistic and technological skills in an entrepreneurial business environment. COMBAT, in conjunction with the City of Kansas City, Missouri, and the Missouri Department of Public Safety, is the key anchor partner with ArtsTech (formerly Pan-Educational Institute). Involving Storytellers, Inc. in the consortium strengthened the group's creative thinking and connected ArtsTech to the growing local community artist population.

ArtsTech is the only youth-serving business in the Arts Crossroads District. Having a presence in the heart of the art and business districts is an enormous asset and also indicates to our young people that they, too, can participate in Kansas City's renaissance.

**CONTACT: David J. Sullivan**  
ArtsTech, 1522 Holmes, KCMO 64108  
Ph: 816-461-0201, ext. 310, Fax: 816-461-0210  
Email: [davesullivan@artstech-kc.org](mailto:davesullivan@artstech-kc.org)



Graphic Design Studio

## MyARTS

MyARTS is an entrepreneurial program for at-risk youth where they can explore and express their creative abilities in the areas of graphic arts, ceramics, photography, textiles and visual arts, and identify opportunities for continuing education and a meaningful career.

At the heart of MyARTS is the belief that skills equal power and opportunity. The MyARTS program will expose the youth to a variety of possible work opportunities through a 72 hour apprenticeship, followed by a paid part-time entrepreneurship position.



Visual Studio



Silk Screen Studio



Photography Studio



Ceramics Studio



**CONTACT: Angela Castle**  
Deputy Administrator, COMBAT  
MyARTS, 1522 Holmes, KCMO 64108  
Ph: 816-881-3113  
Email: [castang@jacksongov.org](mailto:castang@jacksongov.org)  
[www.myartskc.org](http://www.myartskc.org)



## Arts In Education

The United States Department of Education awarded an Arts in Education Model Development and Dissemination (AEMDD) grant to our consortium. ArtsTech, Storytellers, Inc., and collaborative partners (Kansas City Kansas School District (KCKSD), KU Mentoring Initiative, and the Resource Development Institute (RDI)) were charged with designing, developing, documenting, evaluating, and disseminating a cohesive and innovative art model for integration into the KCKSD middle schools.

The Arts in Education Model Development & Dissemination (AEMDD) project will develop, implement, and integrate an innovative, interactive arts education model into the core curriculum of five schools in the Kansas City Kansas and Missouri Public School Districts to increase test scores and reduce discipline problems through arts programming.

Long-term success will be determined by the students' improved academic achievement, positive attitude toward school, and investment in the community. Professional community artists will work together with teachers to develop a well-documented process that will be evaluated and improved upon over a three-year period. Materials will be developed to facilitate program replication in a variety of educational settings. The Storytellers Inc. is a professional multimedia arts organization incorporated in 1992 to focus on three areas of concern:

to provide [quality art services](#) to the business community to provide interactive art experiences for the surrounding community

to provide [interactive art experiences](#) for the surrounding community

to serve the [art education](#) needs of youth living in the urban core

**CONTACT: Michele Bridges**  
The Storytellers, Inc., 1524 Holmes, KCMO 64108  
Ph: 816-304-7380, Fax: 816-461-0210  
Email: [bridges@storytellersinc.org](mailto:bridges@storytellersinc.org)

