

2021
ANNUAL
REPORT
VIVER**BRASIL**

OUR YEAR

16,290

WEBSITE VISITS

228

ZIP CODES IN CALIFORNIA

4,653

INSTAGRAM FOLLOWERS

23

COUNTRIES

4,331

FACEBOOK FOLLOWERS

35

STATES

2,745

NEWSLETTER SUBSCRIBERS

536

TWITTER FOLLOWERS

49

COMMUNITY DANCE CLASSES

4

COLLEGE RESIDENCIES



VB HAS GRIT

THOUGH THE CONTINUATION OF COVID-19 BROUGHT A SIGNIFICANT LOSS OF INCOME. WE FOUND A WAY TO KEEP GOING, ADAPTING AND EXPANDING OUR PROGRAMS, PRODUCTIONS, AND COMMUNITY!

OUR AMAZING PIVOTS THIS YEAR INCLUDED

- GROWING A WORLDWIDE AUDIENCE FOR OUR COMMUNITY CLASS & SAMBA IN THE STREETS PROGRAM VIA INSTAGRAM AND ZOOM.
- CREATING AN ONLINE EDITION OF CELEBRATING SAMBA.
- WELCOMING ARTISTS & B ACTIVISTS FROM SALVADOR, BAHIA, LIKE: TONHO MATERIA, VIVIAM CAROLINE, OUR OWN CO-ARTISTIC DIRECTORS, LUIZ BADARÓ AND VERA PASSOS WHO SHARED THEIR HISTORIES, HOPES, AND BEAUTIFUL MUSIC AND DANCE.
- OFFERING THE PARKS AFTER DARK SUMMER PROGRAM THROUGHOUT LA COUNTY.
- CONDUCTING ONLINE MASTER DANCE WORKSHOPS AT INDIANA STATE UNIVERSITY, TERRE HAUTE & ELIZABETHTOWN COLLEGE IN PENNSYLVANIA.

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- STAGING VERA PASSOS' MOTUMBAXÉ CHOREOGRAPHY AT LOYOLA MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY WITH NINETEEN STUDENTS RESULTING IN FOUR PERFORMANCES.
- RETURNING FOR OUR 8TH SEASON OF VIVA NAVIDAD STREET FIESTA AT DISNEY CA ADVENTURE PARK.

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COMMUNITY CLASS

HAS MET EVERY WEEK SINCE 2000 AND OFFERS AFRO-BRAZILIAN TECHNIQUE DANCE CLASSES FOR THOUSANDS OF COMMUNITY MEMBERS EACH YEAR. CLASSES ARE LED BY FOUNDING ARTISTIC DIRECTORS AS WELL AS COMPANY MEMBERS AND SPECIAL GUEST ARTISTS FROM BAHIA. WE CONTINUED OFFERING THESE CLASSES ONLINE VIA INSTAGRAM LIVE AND ZOOM WITH 11 TEACHING ARTISTS FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD, WHILE ALSO RETURNING TO IN PERSON CLASSES FOR OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY

11 TEACHING ARTISTS FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD

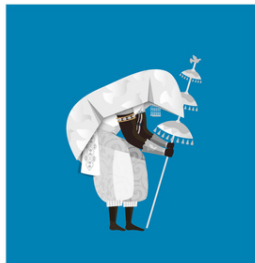
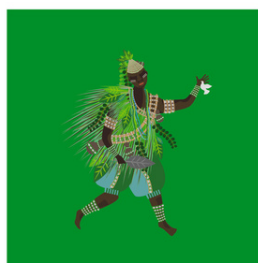
EDUCATION PROGRAMS

INCLUDE OUR CELEBRATING SAMBA AND PARKS AFTER DARK RESIDENCIES COMPRISED OF PERFORMANCES AND WORKSHOPS TAILORED FOR GRADES K-12. THIS YEAR, WE REACHED OVER 5,000 STUDENTS IN LA COUNTY WITH OUR VIRTUAL CELEBRATING SAMBA ASSEMBLIES, WHILE ALSO OFFERING TWO BLENDED ASSEMBLIES AT CHARLES KIM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND LOCKWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. WE ALSO OFFERED STIMULATING ONLINE ZOOM CLASSES AS WELL AS ON-DEMAND VIDEOS FOR THE STUDENTS TO WATCH. WE ALSO HAD 4 COLLEGE RESIDENCIES; INDIANA STATE UNIVERSITY, TERRE HAUTE, ELIZABETHTOWN COLLEGE IN PENNSYLVANIA AND LOYOLA MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY.

5,000 STUDENTS & 4 COLLEGE RESIDENCIES

DANCING THE ORIXÁS

AN EXPANSION OF OUR YEARLY WORKSHOP, DANCING THE QUEENS. DURING EACH OF THE QUARTERLY WORKSHOPS, OUR WISE ELDER, EBOMI CICI, SHARED STORIES OF THE ORIXÁ AND OUR ASSOCIATE ARTISTIC DIRECTOR, VERA PASSOS, TAUGHT THE ACCOMPANYING DANCES IN SALVADOR, BAHIA VIA ZOOM.



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SAMBA IN THE STREETS

HAS SERVED OVER 1,000 RESIDENTS IN LEIMERT PARK IN PARTNERSHIP WITH KAOS NETWORK SINCE 2016. IN 2020 WE ALSO LAUNCHED SITS SOCIAL JUSTICE, A SERIES OF FREE PERCUSSION AND CLASSES FOR 20 WOMAN-IDENTIFYING PEOPLE, WHERE WE INTERWEAVE AFRO-BRAZILIAN CONCEPTS OF EMPOWERMENT WITH THE RICH LIVED EXPERIENCE OF THE PARTICIPANTS. THIS YEAR, WE OFFERED BOTH VIRTUAL AND IN PERSON PROGRAMS.

25 DANCE AND DRUM WORKSHOPS

THE HOUSE THAT VERA BUILT

A FUNDRAISER HOSTED FOR CASA DE CULTURA SOMOVIMENTO, FOUNDED BY ASSOCIATE ARTISTIC DIRECTOR VERA PASSOS. THIS ARTISTIC, CULTURAL AND EDUCATIONAL SPACE SERVES AS A CENTER FOR DANCE AND MUSIC FROM THE AFRICAN MATRIX (FROM BRAZIL) AND FROM THE DIVERSE FORMS OF THE AFRICAN DIASPORA IN ORDER TO CREATE AN INDEPENDENT SPACE IN SALVADOR, BAHIA WITH THE GOAL TO SPREAD ART THAT IS ACCESSIBLE TO ALL.



HOW WE GREW

23 COUNTRIES

35 STATES

228 ZIP CODES IN CALIFORNIA

WE ALSO BROUGHT ON SOME NEW TEAM MEMBERS!

INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

NATALIE MARRERO

SOCIAL MEDIA MARKETING INTERNS

BRYCE TAYLOR

SIERRA MODER

PARTNERED WITH A NEW BOOKING AGENT

RHIZOME ARTS CONSULTING

OUR PARTNERS



PROGRAM PARTNERS

ARTS EDUCATION

LA'S BEST

CHARLES KIM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

LOCKWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

FOSHAY LEARNING CENTER

AUDUBON MIDDLE SCHOOL

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

BEN CALDWELL OF KAOS NETWORK

GAYLE HOOKS OF EBONY REPERTORY THEATRE

THE NATE HOLDEN PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

FUNDERS

CORPORATIONS

BAHIA IN MOTION LLC

CAPITAL GROUP CHARITABLE GIVING

NETWORK FOR GOOD

THEATER4LIFE

GOVERNMENT

LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ARTS & CULTURE:

ORGANIZATIONAL GRANT PROGRAM

SUMMER ARTS INTERN GRANT PROGRAM

COVID ARTS RELIEF FUND

DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS, CITY OF LOS ANGELES:

CULTURAL GRANT PROGRAM

DAVID RYU COVID RELIEF GRANT

CALIFORNIA ARTS COUNCIL:

ARTS EDUCATION - ARTISTS IN SCHOOLS GRANT PROGRAM

ARTS EDUCATION - EXPOSURE GRANT PROGRAM

ARTIST IN COMMUNITIES GRANT PROGRAM

LOCAL IMPACT GRANT PROGRAM PROGRAM

ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT GRANT PROGRAM

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT GRANT PROGRAM

SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION,

PAYROLL PROTECTION PROGRAM

ECONOMIC INJURY DISASTER LOAN

FINANCIAL REPORT

INCOME

\$300,000

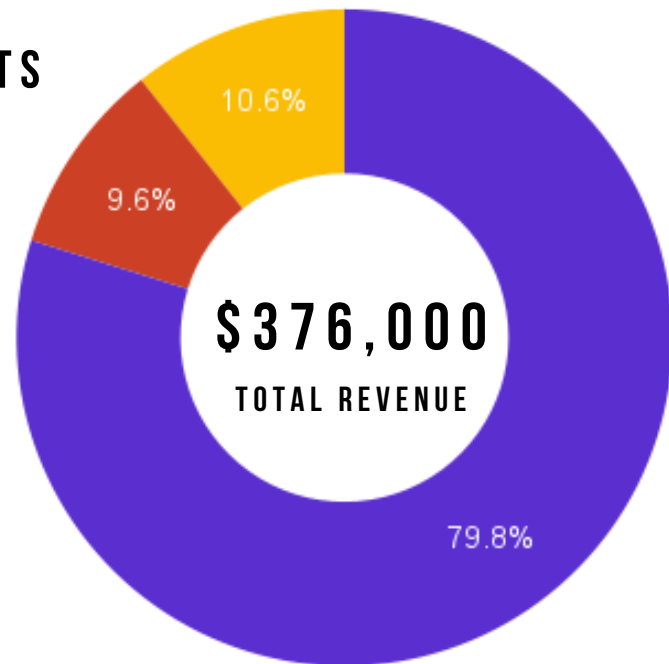
CONTRIBUTED INCOME: GRANTS

\$40,000

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DONATIONS

\$36,000

EARNED INCOME



EXPENSES

\$40,500

ARTISTIC WAGES

\$35,400

ADMINISTRATIVE WAGES

\$168,000

PAYROLL & TAXES

\$29,200

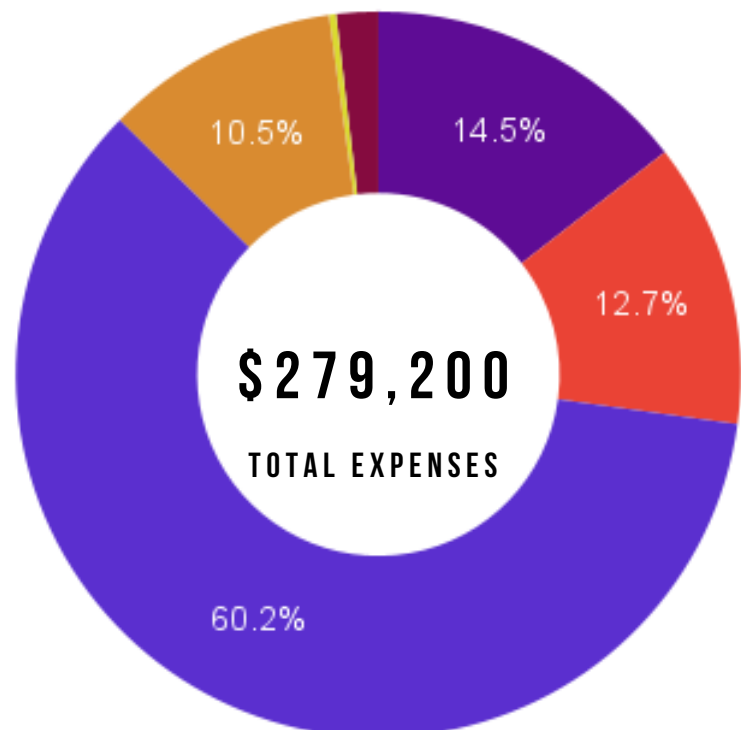
OPERATIONS

\$900

PRODUCTION

\$5,200

MARKETING



WHO WE ARE

CO-FOUNDERS & CO-ARTISTIC DIRECTORS

LINDA YUDIN
LUIZ BADARÓ

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
DR. GIAVANNI WASHINGTON

INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
NATALIE MARRERO

ASSOCIATE ARTISTIC DIRECTOR
VERA PASSOS

MUSIC DIRECTOR
CLARICE CAST

PROGRAM AND PRODUCTION DIRECTOR
OLIVIA HOLABIRD

BOOKKEEPER
DANIELA HERNANDEZ
RAELLE DORFAN

BOARD MEMBERS
ANGELA GULLIVER, BOARD CHAIR
SAUNDRA LANG
REONNA JOHNSON
ROSALIE TUCKER
KORYNN FRYE-FUENTES

DANCERS
LAILA ABDULLAH
JAHANNA BLUNT
AJAH HAYES-MUHAMMAD
ADAMA IDEOZU
INDIRA LENEMAN
BIANCA MEDINA
NAGODE SIMPSON
SHELBY WILLIAMS-GONZALEZ
YSAYE MCKEEVER, APPRENTICE

SPECIAL PROJECT DANCERS
LEAHNORA CASTILLO
VENYESA DIXON
TASHARA GAVIN-MOOREHEAD
KRYSTAL HICKS
MICHELA MELONE
SHARQUELLA REED
NICOLEA PETTIS
IMANI SHABAZZ
KASHANA SHARIF
GISELE SILVA
CECILIA SLONGO
TAYLOR-MICHELLE THOMAS

MUSICIANS
JOSH ALFARO
LUIZ BADARÓ
EMILIA BORJA
CLARICE CASTILHO
KIBLAH DELGADO
DANIEL FELDMAN
STEVE HERNANDEZ
DIEGO RUVALCABA
FABIO SANTANA DE SOUZA

WHO KEPT US GOING

LAILA ABDULLAH NICOLE ACARON TORO JOCELYN ADAME LAUREEN ADAMS KENDRA ADLER ANITA AKHAVAN SUZANNE ALILA LAROYE ANA JAY ARE BRIANNE AUTEN FANA BABADAYO LUIZ BADARO ELLEN BARROS FAITH BENFORD TRINITY BERGERON ANNE BLOMMER RAHAN BOXLEY BERNARD BROWN CLAUDIA BULAIEVSKY JOAN BURROUGHS LAUREN CAMARILLO DEVIN & CLAIR CAROLL SIMON CAROLL JAMI CARTER MARGUERITE CASILLAS MELISSA CASTANEDA SONYA CHILDRESS MICHELLE CLARKE NOELLE CORREIA AMARIS COX LA DANIELS-HERNANDEZ MANASI DAVE PAULA DE HOLLANDA MAYLIN DE LEON MONICA DELGADO JESSICA DENSON LIZA DEWITT SARAH DICKINSON ROSANGELA SILVESTRE W. SIMPSON SUSANA TUBERT BRIGITTE UNDERWOOD-LEGERON AFRO UNIDAD	JAIMIE LINDSAY MARISSA LITMAN JACKIE LOPEZ VANESSA LOPEZ BOBI LOTT JOYCE LU LINDA LUCKS MARINA MAGALHÃES BERNIE A. MAGIER MINA MANGEWALA VIRGINIA MARRIN SHEYLA MATTOS BIANCA MEDINA VELINE MOJARRO HOLLY MOSHER TINA MULLONE VERONICA NANDINO FRANCES (SUE) NELSON STEVEN NGUYỄN AKUA NKANSAH-AMANKRA JOICE NOGUEIRA ALISA ORDUNA NOHEMI ORTEGA TRACEY PALEO MARGARET PALMER TYELISE PATROS NICOLEA PETTIS FABIANA PIMENTA RONIEKA PINKNEY LISA POLIAK BRENDA PULIDO CINTIA RAMACIOTTI MAYRA RAMIREZ JACLYN RAMIREZ SHAUNA REEDER TAMARA REIMER BEN REMPEL STEVE ROSA JEFF SLAYTON KAREN SMITH D'ETE SOLEIL GIA TROVELA	YAJAIRA VILLARREAL LIZA VOSBIGIAN JULIE GOLDMAN WANG BAYESHAN WANG-COOPER GIAVANNI WASHINGTON KAT WENTWORTH RAE WILSON LETITIA A. WIMS LAURA WYRD TAMARA & LUCIANO XAVIER LUCIANO XAVIER FREDERICK L. YUDIN FREDDIE L YUDIN LINDA YUDIN CARINE Z. JANNA ZINZI JASMINE STANLEY LENNY STEINBERG YUKO TAMURA CATHY TATE CATHERINE TAYLOR ELISA TOSTADO ALI TRASS GIA TROVELA SUSANA TUBERT BRIGITTE UNDERWOOD-LEGERON AFRO UNIDAD YAJAIRA VILLARREAL LIZA VOSBIGIAN JULIE GOLDMAN WANG VIVA RUIZ SAFIRA SACRAMENTO VANESSA SANCHEZ BRANDI SANKEY JENNIFER SANTIAGO RACHEL SAUDEK ANNA SCOTT ARTHUR SEABRA ROXANNE SHELABY IMAN SHERVINGTON ELISA TOSTADO ALI TRASS	LANI DOURADO DOROTHY DUBRULE JANELLE DUNLAP BOBBY EASTON DOMONIQUE ECHEVERRIA EVA ESCOBAR LAYLA FEGHALI AMITY FEMIA ELIZABETH FIATTARONE VANESSA GARCIA IRVIN GONZALEZ AMANDA GRAN ERIKA GREEN EDUARDO, SR. AND CYNTHIA KAY GUEDEA SAMAD GUERRA MEENADCHI GUNANAYAGAM BRIANA GUTIERREZ COLLEEN HAAS STEVIE HERNANDEZ ALYSHA HIGGINS KATE HILLGROVE OLIVIA HOLABIRD KAREN W. HUBBARD MAYA IBARS KALEY ISABELLA ANN JACKSON CYNTHIA JIMENEZ ERIN KANOR SHANNON KELLY MARTHA KING MELISSA LAI SAUNDRA LANG NANCY LEE RUYTER RAQUEL LEMUS ERICA LEWIS ROBIN LIEBERMAN YOVI LIENQUEO LENNY STEINBERG YUKO TAMURA CATHY TATE CATHERINE TAYLOR
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