RADICAL RE-IMAGINING
How Arts Education Helps Youth Embrace Change, Re-Frame History, and Discover Themselves

A Conversation Featuring Ethan Hawke and Joe Wilson Jr.
March 30, 2021, 6:00 PM

PROGRAM: PASA is proud to present a virtual event featuring ETHAN HAWKE, four-time Academy Award nominee, author of five books, and a 2021 Golden Globe nominee for Best Performance by an Actor in the Showtime adaptation of James McBride’s novel *The Good Lord Bird* in a conversation with JOE WILSON JR., 16-year member of Trinity Rep, Associate Professor of Theater and Dance at Wheaton College, and Founder/Producer of America Too, an initiative that seeks to reflect on the times in which we live and catalyze community conversation in Rhode Island.

Ethan and Joe will join PASA youth to discuss their personal and professional journeys using theater arts and the acting process to develop a sense of self, create a community, re-examine history, and provide emotional healing for current stresses.

SPONSOR OPPORTUNITY: Sponsor support will play a key role in bringing this event to a larger audience. Sponsor support will provide free tickets to this event for Providence youth, families, arts organizations, and practicing artists. Robust sponsor participation will help ensure a diverse audience for this event, especially those directly impacted by the challenges we all face to address multiple issues in American society, including the dismantling of structural racism.

The *Annual Arts Education Event* is a signature fundraiser for PASA, with proceeds going directly towards expanding after school and summer program for Providence middle and high school youth as they discover their artistic passions. This event increases awareness and demonstrates the community’s commitment to the prominent role arts education plays in the lives of hundreds of youth across our creative capital city. The *Annual Arts Education Event* demonstrates PASA’s nearly twenty-year history as a valued partner in the Providence education system and as a strong leader within national after school coalitions working to define what innovative, high-quality after school programming looks like. For more information on PASA programs, please visit website: [www.mypasa.org](http://www.mypasa.org)