

*“My heart belongs to the Grünewald Guild.  
The expression of my Faith in art  
and love of the community outreach from there.”*  
—Mary Ann Sinclair

Dear Friend of the Guild,

We have had very full hearts at the Guild over this past year. The outpouring of support for the Reach for the River campaign has been humbling and energizing. Our community has stepped up to complete our natural campus, and now we are striving to unlock a \$25,000 matching gift from a group of anonymous donors.

***Will you support the Guild with a gift toward this important campaign? All gifts made during this phase of the campaign will be matched up to \$25,000!***

As the support from the Guild community has grown, we’ve asked donors to share why they are supporting this campaign. You might feel the way Mary Ann Sinclair does above. Or here’s Larkin Van Horn: *“The Guild has been part of my life for 20+ years, and I believe this additional property will allow it to continue its outreach to the art/faith community.”*

We absolutely agree! The new cabin will add new housing and new revenue options. It opens the Guild up to house families with children during the summer program. Sabbaticals and paid artist residencies will be more easily accommodated. And in the winter months, the cabin makes for a cozy place to start a new art project.



***As we stretch to “reach for the river,” can you make a pledge for a stretch gift over the next three years to help us realize this goal?***

When one donor, Susan V. Mills, made a gift to the campaign, she said, *“I love the Guild and the Labyrinth! The dream of reaching all the way to the river is a wonderful one... hoping to help make this dream a reality.”*

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Her note about the labyrinth is a reminder that the experience of the Guild just isn't in the buildings and art studios, it's also in the beautiful outdoor setting. The rushing and life-giving Wenatchee River... the beautiful hills surrounding the valley... and the scent of the ponderosa pines.

Our campaign is about more than just the cabin. Included in it is the acquisition of two undeveloped plots of land that are within sixty feet of the Centrum. Had these gone on the market, the Guild would have had other private (and possibly incompatible) users on our doorstep. Because of this campaign we can preserve the Guild experience and expand the outdoor opportunities at the Guild.

This new land means more space for tents or yurts, new trails to the river on Guild property, and the possibility that we can build platforms for outdoor studio work. *Everyone*—those currently in the Guild community and those who have not yet discovered us—will benefit from this campus expansion.

***We invite you to join donors like Mary Ann, Larkin, and Susan and help the Guild make this project a reality.***

One donor to the campaign said, *"The Grūnewald Guild is always in my heart. I have not been able to make it the last couple of years, but it is always keen in my soul."*

A lot of us haven't been able to get to the Guild recently, as our schedules have been disrupted and we've had to miss out on traditions that usually mark the year—such as a visit to the Guild for a week of art, faith, and community.

With your support, the Guild will be here waiting when this is all over, and the campus will be better than ever. The matching gift is so exciting for us and we hope that the entire Guild community will band together to help us reach this \$25,000 matching goal.

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One of the anonymous donors contributing to the match said, *"The Grūnewald Guild is a truly unique and inspiring artistic and spiritual community. We are delighted to be enthusiastic supporters of the Reach for the River campaign, and we hope you will join us with your gifts as well."*

***Your support now will help the Guild finish this project and unlock this match. Can you help us reach our goal?***

We'll leave you with a final testimonial from one of the Reach for the River donors, Adam Harmon. He writes, *"The Guild has been an important part of my creative life, I am so happy to support this cause."*

Through these past few months, we've heard that from so many in the Guild community. It's a very special place that can touch people's creative and spiritual lives.

Thank you for your consideration of support. With full hearts,

*The Board of the Grūnewald Guild*

Mike Caemmerer, Laurie Rudel, Erik Hanberg, Cheryl Branz, Gloria Winters, Susan Kintner, Jan Hartley, Mary McLeod, Carla Orlando, Rebecca Sinclair, Liv Larson Andrews

*And its Executive Directors*

Jim and Vonda Drees

***P.S.—Did you know you can make your gift in installments? You can make a pledge to the Reach for the River campaign for a gift spread out over the next three years to increase your impact! The entire amount of your pledge will be matched, even if it's made over time.***