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reflections of the season

It's always a good time to count our blessings.

Fortunately for me, I am doing just fine. I feel healthy most of the time, even though when I get up in the morning I have some aches and pains. But at least I get up.

My wife and I always seem so busy, but I cherish the time, limited as it is, that we spend together. My kids are doing great in high school, in college, in life. Pretty soon they will all be on their own, which makes me really sad, but proud and happy, all at the same time.

Spending time with my dog who is a rescue is incredibly special. I am so thankful that we chose each other.

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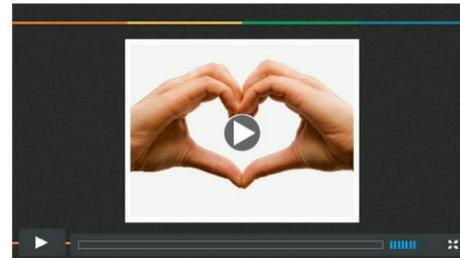


Ken Toren's trusty pal, Rocky.

join our movement to make sure all kids have art

On Tuesday, November 29, Art in Action joined thousands of nonprofits around the globe for #GivingTuesday kicking off our annual, month-long season of giving.

Thanks to our generous donors we are well on our way to reaching this year's goal. If you have given already, we are **GRATEFUL to YOU**. But there is still time to [join our MOVEMENT](#) to make sure that ALL kids have the visual arts education they deserve. **Thank you for making a difference!**



Art in Action Thanks You!

thanks for another wonderful year

Read our [Report to Community 2015-2016](#) to see how our donors, volunteers, corporate and community partners, board members, parents, teachers and principals helped us impact 54,500 students last year. We thank them for their commitment to Art in Action and arts education.



"ART is not optional." - Nathan Sawaya



Art in Action is pleased to announce our 2017 Art Visionary Award Recipient

Nathan Sawaya, Contemporary Artist Working in LEGO® bricks, Arts Education Advocate and Founder of Art Revolution

Don't miss [OBJECT:ART 2017](#)

March 23, 2017 6:00-9:00 pm
Computer History Museum, Mountain View, CA

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"if we didn't have art in action, we wouldn't have art at all."

With ten years of Art in Action experience, the parents and teachers at Sandpiper Elementary School in Redwood Shores, California have a lot to say.

We recently spoke with Kindergarten Teacher Nancy Murray, Docent Josephine Pai, School Coordinator Joana Araujo about their experiences with the program and their thoughts on arts education. [Click here for insights and tips that you can use in your school or organization.](#)

Thank you Nancy, Josephine and Joana for your insights!



Sandpiper Elementary student artshow display