



Vision Statement

Providing psychosocial support to any individual touched by cancer through creative arts programming.

Mission

Twist Out Cancer recognizes the isolating feelings that can accompany any cancer experience. We strive to build a community inclusive of any race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, national origin, marital status, citizenship, ability, veteran status, health, socioeconomic status, and healthcare access. Twist Out Cancer believes in the power of using our personal backgrounds as a foundation for understanding the diversity of a cancer experience, sharing that experience with the world, and ultimately, taking steps towards healing.

Cancer is one disease, but it is not one experience. Twist Out Cancer attends to the emotional needs of anyone touched by cancer, no matter their cancer identity nor personal identity.

At Twist, we know the power of the arts is an underutilized mechanism for healing. Institutional resources to address social and emotional wellness for anyone touched by cancer can be inequitable, bound by geography, and are often cost prohibitive.

We believe that anyone touched by cancer should have the opportunity to experience the transformative power of art to heal which is why we are deeply committed to ensuring that our programs remain accessible and free to all participants.

How we commit to inclusion in our community:

- Soliciting feedback from our participants, board members, staff, and community members about the unique challenges they face as a result of their social identities and how we can support them.
- Partnering with organizations that serve a diverse population of individuals touched by cancer.
- Carefully choosing modes of communication and language to reflect our mission to build an inclusive community.
- Critically reflecting upon accessibility to our programs and acting to lower barriers that perpetuate inequality.
- Continuously assessing our efforts to achieve equity and inclusion through our programming and implementing necessary changes to improve those efforts.