Our Vision

Nurture Artists.
Shape Our Culture.

Our Mission

The Fine Arts Work Center is an artist-led organization based in Provincetown and connected to the world. We support artistic freedom, nurture creative connections, and make possible artistic achievements important to the larger culture.

Our Values

Freedom
We believe that providing artists with the freedom of time and space to focus on artistic practice within the beautiful natural environment of Outer Cape Cod create an expansive sense of possibility and leads to creative transformation.

Rigor
We value excellence and believe in artistically significant work. Our community continually shapes and reshapes important conversations about arts and letters.

Responsiveness
We strive to create a welcoming and generative environment supportive of artists. By providing individuals the resources they need to thrive, we hope to enrich people’s intellectual, artistic, and aesthetic lives.

Inclusion
We believe that a diversity of voices strengthens our public discourse and that this leads to cultural vibrancy. We work to evolve as an organization that honors our legacy while repairing historic inequities.

Stewardship and Care
We are committed to the mindful stewardship of our natural, human, financial, and physical resources.

Our Priorities

Pillar 1: Serving Artists and Writers
Our goal is to ensure that creativity and innovation thrive by building on the Work Center’s legacy as an institution in which artists and writers are responsible for core aspects of decision-making and programming.

Pillar 2: Work That Matters
Our goal is to invest in artistic practice and the emergence of new creative directions within visual arts and writing.

Pillar 3: Creative Connections
Our goal is to increase access and foster creative connections that span artistic disciplines, skill levels, backgrounds, generations, abilities, and locations.

Pillar 4: Place—Provincetown and Cape Cod
Our goal is to preserve the artistic vitality of our community and work to protect access to the natural environment of Provincetown and Outer Cape Cod for future generations of emerging artists and writers.

Pillar 5: Adaptability
Our goal is to create an adaptive institution that thrives for the next half century, rooted in the protected natural beauty of Outer Cape Cod.

To learn more about our process with Arts Consulting Group and to read the details of our 2023-2026 Strategic Plan, please visit: fawc.org/strategic-plan