

Dancing into FPG

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North Carolina Arts in Action (NC-AIA) is at it again.

After a successful launch last year at **Rashkis Elementary School**, this year NC-AIA will embark on a month-long residency program for the fourth graders at **Frank Porter Graham Elementary**. A recent benefit (pictured here) raised more than \$10,000 for FPG's dance, music, fine arts and live performance program.

The non-profit organization's goal is to get the highly regarded Arts in Action program into all of the Chapel Hill/Carrboro public schools — and long-term to involve all state schools — but it takes upwards of \$65,000 per school to maintain a year-round schedule. "This program is supported by lovers of children and the arts," says NC-AIA Executive Director **Lisa Kang**. "Our contributors believe that the arts can change the lives of our children and can assist our schools in educating the total child. But in order to grow, we need community support to make this a reality for all children."

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Rashkis Elementary School parents Ann Daaleman and Robin McMahon with FPG parent Jeff Key.



Tracy and Mac Link.



NC-AIA Artistic Director Kay Gayner with NC-AIA Executive Director Lisa Kang.



Supporters at a recent fundraiser. NC-AIA Founder and Chair Shirley Berger is at far right.



Denise Nyman, Jackie Fritsch and Jacqui Zinn.



Frank Porter Graham school teachers Chris Fox and Sonja Carl.



NC-AIA Music Director Julie Bradley with Rashkis parent Doug Zinn.



Eric Montross with NC-AIA Dancers.