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QUASIMONDO PHYSICAL THEATRE

2018 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Quasimondo has been making great progress since the <u>North Milwaukee Arthaus</u> building was purchased early this year! We have:

- Conducted cleaning and exploratory work on the building to uncover historically significant features and prepare for renovations
- "Branded" the building by hanging prominent Quasimondo and North Milwaukee Arthaus signs
- Provided the community with access to the Arthaus through special events and tours for Doors Open Milwaukee
- Held four public meetings at Villard Avenue Library to gain community input on the Arthaus project
- Nominated the Arthaus as a County Landmark with designation to be determined in 2019 by the Milwaukee County Historical Society

The North Milwaukee Arthaus may be taking center stage right now, but that doesn't diminish our many <u>artistic accomplishments</u>:

- Toured "Mrs. Wrights" to Frank Lloyd Wright's Taliesin, SC Johnson Golden Rondelle Theatre, and to venues in Minnesota, Chicago and Vermont
- In collaboration with Cooperative Performance, created *Celsius 232*, funded in part by our first grant from the City of Milwaukee Arts Board and the Wisconsin Arts board, and performed to sold-out houses at our new venue
- Created commissions and collaborations with Present Music, Optimist Theatre, Milwaukee Riverkeeper, Villard Avenue Days, and Locust Street Days
- Nominated for a Footlights People's Choice Award for the second year in a row
- Once again listed in Milwaukee Journal Sentinel's "Best Designers"

Quasimondo has grown its <u>established key partnerships and grown our organizational</u> <u>capacity</u> to prepare for the company's future. We have:

- Joined the Villard Avenue Business Improvement District (BID #19) board and collaborated on two community events
- Leveraged relationships with UW-Milwaukee and Marquette University to obtain pro-bono professional services and expand our capacity
- Established pro bono relationship with Quarles & Brady, LLP for legal services
- Hired first paid staff (part-time): a Business Manager and Development & Grants Manager