

# *MATANEL FOUNDATION*

## *ACTIVITY REPORT*

**Program:**  
**Year: 2016**

Please present your activity report according to the following lines. The whole rapport will not exceed 2 or 3 pages (as word document).

Name of the Program: Providing Accessibility and Redesigning Nalaga'at's Building + Nalaga'at Rent Expenses

Year of activity: 2016

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**Give the actually state of the program (where the program stands at the date of the activity report, no more than ten lines):**

The first stage of providing accessibility to the Nalaga'at building has completed in 2016 when a wheelchair lift was installed on a new gallery that connects the Kapish Event Center to the expanded Workshop Center.

We are currently working on the plans for the second stage of the project, which will include the renovation and accessibility of the kitchen, guest restrooms and front desk, as instructed by the Accessibility Advisor.

**The main achievements during the last year of activity (main achievements, number of events, number of participants, etc.):**

Since the completion of the renovation in September 2016, the event and workshop center has hosted 114 events with over 10,300 guests!

As a result, the hours of operation significantly grew and we were able to provide employment for more people with disabilities as workshop instructors and as staff for the events.

As for the rent expenses – the ability to cover these expenses with the generous support of the Matanel Foundation enabled the Nalaga'at Center to maintain the general activity and to develop new projects such as: a new theater show at the Nalaga'at Theater, developing new workshops at the Workshop Center, comprehensive professional trainings of all the employees with disabilities, creating more employment opportunities for people with disabilities, and more.

**The evaluation (methodology, results, comparisons with the precedent year, conclusions for the future...):**

The ability to offer activities at the workshop center to people with limited mobility and wheelchair users has significantly expanded our target audience. The Nalaga'at

Sales and Marketing departments are offering the newly renovated and accessible workshop center to larger groups. In comparison to the same time period of last year (September-December 2015) – The number of events and workshops grew by 23% while the number of guests grew by 70%!

We receive great reviews from visitors who have already used the new space, and we already see the impact on growth of interest and reservations.

In addition, some key agents of organized groups that were limited to purchasing only certain activities (because of the inaccessibility of the workshop center) are now gradually adding workshops to the regular activity.

**Provisional guide lines for the advancement of the program in the next year:**

- Creating an architectural renovation and accessibility plan for the kitchen, guest restrooms and front desk, as recommended by the Accessibility Advisor.
- Contractors' auction.
- Renovating kitchen, restrooms and front desk while maintaining activity of the Nalaga'at Theater and Workshop Center.

In addition, the Nalaga'at Center will continue to develop new programs and activities for its visitors and employees at the theater, dark restaurant, event center and workshop center.

A summary table – as **PDF document** – specifying the progress in the program since the beginning of the encouragement by the Matanel Foundation according to the main parameters and objectives such as:

Number of events:

Number of participants:

Number of beneficiaries:

Other...

Please join the Evaluation Report, the Financial Report and the list of the participants to the program (**as PDF documents**)

Please join photos – as **photos** – and any link or any other document connected to the program which will seem to you relevant – as **PDF document**.