



Artisan Mid Cap Fund

MONTHLY
Commentary

Investor Class: ARTMX

Advisor Class: APDMX

As of 30 April 2022

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The Russell Midcap® Index moved 8% lower in April. The war in Ukraine is showing few signs of a resolution. COVID-19 cases in China are elevated, and the country has shut down parts of its economy—most critically, the country's largest city and contributor to GDP, Shanghai. The city has instituted varying degrees of lockdowns since late March and is notably home to many automobile, electronics and other factories supplying the rest of the world. Meanwhile, Q1 US GDP growth was reported in late April, contracting by an annualized -1.4%, which was well short of the +1.0% consensus expectation. Investors are contemplating whether the economy is running out of room to grow and if the Fed's expected rate hike cycle—the market is currently pricing the fed funds rate to hit 2.75% by the end of 2022—could tip the economy into a recession.

Our portfolio is trailing the Russell Midcap® Growth Index QTD. Among our bottom contributors are HubSpot and Atlassian. Despite solid growth expected for 2022, shares of HubSpot have traded lower alongside high-growth stocks so far this year. We believe the company can sustain strong free cash flow growth, which should support solid long-term investment returns in a rising rate environment.

Atlassian is executing ahead of expectations, transitioning its customers to the cloud and expanding adoption of its collaboration and workflow products across its core DevOps, IT service management and enterprise work management markets. We remain confident in the fundamental outlook as companies of all sizes adopt its tools and as new enterprise-wide product offerings are rolled out.

Among our top contributors are Burlington Stores and LPL Financial. Shares of Burlington have been volatile so far this year as the company works through various macro headwinds—supply chain constraints, a surge in omicron cases and freight cost pressure. We continue to believe this management team is noticeably strengthening the company's operations and human capital, which should become more apparent as macro conditions normalize over time. Should inflationary pressures persist longer than expected, off-price retailers such as Burlington would likely benefit given their sharp value proposition to consumers.

LPL Financial is well-positioned to capture market share and benefit from a migration of advisors away from wire houses to the independent channel. In addition, outsourcing contract wins with third-party banks and traction in LPL's new service offerings could accelerate growth. Lastly, we believe the company offers upside participation in a rising interest rate environment.

Portfolio Details

	ARTMX	APDMX
Net Asset Value (NAV)	\$32.25	\$32.88
Inception	27 Jun 1997	1 Apr 2015
Expense Ratios		
Annual Report 30 Sep 2021	1.18%	1.04%
Prospectus 30 Sep 2021 ¹	1.18%	1.05%

¹See prospectus for further details.

Top 10 Holdings (% of total portfolio)

Global Payments Inc (Information Technology)	4.0
HubSpot Inc (Information Technology)	3.9
Veeva Systems Inc (Health Care)	3.4
Catalent Inc (Health Care)	2.9
Atlassian Corp PLC (Information Technology)	2.8
SVB Financial Group (Financials)	2.7
Ascendis Pharma A/S (Health Care)	2.5
Chipotle Mexican Grill Inc (Consumer Discretionary)	2.4
Ingersoll Rand Inc (Industrials)	2.4
Argenx SE (Health Care)	2.4
TOTAL	29.4%

Source: Artisan Partners/GICS.

Sector Diversification (% of portfolio securities)

	Fund	RMCG ¹
Communication Services	7.4	2.8
Consumer Discretionary	10.6	15.7
Consumer Staples	0.0	2.3
Energy	0.0	2.8
Financials	14.0	5.3
Health Care	21.6	16.7
Industrials	11.0	15.8
Information Technology	33.9	33.9
Materials	1.5	2.2
Real Estate	0.0	2.5
Utilities	0.0	0.2
TOTAL	100.0%	100.0%

Source: Artisan Partners/GICS/Russell. Cash and cash equivalents represented 2.5% of the total portfolio. ¹Russell Midcap® Growth Index.

Investment Results (%)

As of 30 April 2022	MTD	QTD	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Inception
Investor Class: ARTMX	-14.25	-14.25	-27.56	-23.22	11.27	13.11	11.38	13.10
Advisor Class: APDMX	-14.24	-14.24	-27.51	-23.11	11.47	13.28	11.50	13.15
Russell Midcap® Growth Index	-11.26	-11.26	-22.42	-16.73	8.72	12.06	12.17	8.95
Russell Midcap® Index	-7.70	-7.70	-12.94	-6.10	10.48	10.66	11.99	9.90

As of 31 March 2022

	MTD	QTD	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Inception
Investor Class: ARTMX	0.00	-15.52	-15.52	-4.53	18.89	16.98	13.14	13.85
Advisor Class: APDMX	0.00	-15.48	-15.48	-4.39	19.09	17.16	13.26	13.90
Russell Midcap® Growth Index	1.61	-12.58	-12.58	-0.89	14.81	15.10	13.52	9.51
Russell Midcap® Index	2.56	-5.68	-5.68	6.92	14.89	12.62	12.85	10.29

Source: Artisan Partners/Russell. Returns for periods less than one year are not annualized. Class inception: Investor (27 June 1997); Advisor (1 April 2015). For the period prior to inception, Advisor Class performance is the Investor Class's return for that period ("Linked Performance"). Linked Performance has not been restated to reflect expenses of the Advisor Class and the share class's returns during that period would be different if such expenses were reflected.

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Market Cap Distribution (% of portfolio securities)

\$ in billions	Fund	RMCG ¹
46.6+	4.3	6.0
35.8–46.6	11.9	16.3
22.8–35.8	25.7	24.2
13.1–22.8	37.8	27.1
0.0–13.1	20.2	26.5
TOTAL	100.0%	100.0%

Source: Artisan Partners/Russell. ¹Russell Midcap® Growth Index.

Team Leadership (Pictured left to right)



Portfolio Managers	Years of Investment Experience
Matthew H. Kamm, CFA (Lead)	22
James D. Hamel, CFA	25
Craig A. Cepukenas, CFA	33
Jason L. White, CFA	22
Jay C. Warner, CFA	20

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