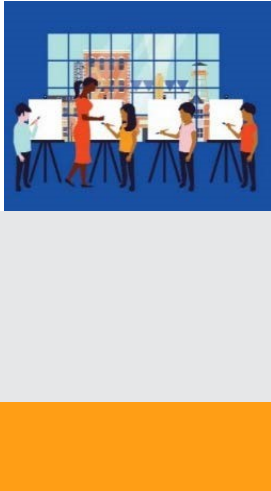




The National Endowment for the Arts is the only funder, public or private, that supports the arts in all **50 States** in the United States.

In the past 5 years...

The National Endowment for the Arts distributed more than **\$8,046,200** in grants in **North Carolina**.



In one year alone...

- Arts and cultural production in North Carolina added **2.8%, or \$14.4 billion** to the state's economy.
- North Carolina's arts and cultural industries employ **120,081** workers. These workers earn wages and benefits totaling **\$7.5 billion**.
- **27.9%** of North Carolina's adults attended live music, theater, or dance performances, while **12.0%** attended art exhibits.

National Endowment for the Arts Programs from FY16-FY18

The **Blue Star Museums** program provided free admission to thousands of active military personnel and their families at **110 participating museums** in North Carolina.

The **Poetry Out Loud** is a national competition which develops communication skills, presence, and confidence through the study, memorization, and public recitation of poetry. In North Carolina, over **16,330 students** participated from among **209** high schools.

The **Big Read** program generated **138** community events focused on reading outstanding American literature and involving more than **8,340** adults and students in North Carolina.

The **Shakespeare in American Communities** program enabled schools in North Carolina to offer **5,300** children the opportunity to see free live professional performances of Shakespeare.

The **Creative Forces** program is expanding access to creative arts therapies and arts engagement opportunities for injured service members, veterans, and their families and caregivers. Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune is participating in this innovative program.



2019 Agency Calendar of Events

Blue Star Museums: Armed Forces Day (5/18) - Labor Day (9/2)

June Meeting of the National Council on the Arts: 6/19-6/21

National Book Festival: 8/31

National Heritage Fellows Awards & Concert: 9/18-9/20

October Meeting of the National Council on the Arts: 10/24-10/25





NOTEWORTHY

Examples of Schools & Organizations Receiving Past Endowment Support Include:

NC-1

*The Scrap Exchange
Durham Symphony
Gates County Schools*

NC-2

*Cary, NC
Johnston Community College
NC Pottery Museum*

NC-3

*Tyrrell County Schools
Kinston High School
Chamber Music Wilmington*

NC-4

*Ackland Art Museum
NC Opera
Gregg Museum*

NC-5

*Wilkes County School
Piedmont Opera
Sciworks*

NC-6

*Eno Publishers
Surry Arts Council
ArtsGreensboro*

NC-7

*Bladen County Schools
Dreams of Wilmington
Sampson Arts Council*

NC-8

*Pinecrest High School
Cabarrus Arts Council
Cape Fear Regional Theatre*

NC-9

*Davidson College
Union Academy
Mint Museum of Art*

NC-10

*Black Mountain Primary
Asheville Area Arts Council
Leaf Community Arts*

NC-11

*Burke Arts Council
Brevard Music Center
Flat Rock Playhouse*

NC-12

*Delta Arts Center
Children's Theatre of
Charlotte
Afro-American Cultural
Center*

NC-13

*Eastern Music Festival
Triangle Korean School
High Point Museum*

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