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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 \$3,780,000 in grants in Rhode Island.



In one year alone...

- Arts and cultural production in Rhode Island added 3.3%, or \$1.9 billion to the state's economy.
- Rhode Island's arts and cultural industries employ 17,750 workers. These workers earn wages and benefits totaling \$1.1 billion.
- 40.1% of Rhode Island's adults attended live music, theater, or dance performances, while 18.6% 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 54 participating museums in Rhode Island.

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 Rhode Island, over 7,720 students participated from among 46 high schools.

The **Big Read** program generated dynamic community reading programs, each designed around outstanding American literature.

The Shakespeare in American Communities program enabled schools in Rhode Island to offer **14,300** 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.



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









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NOTEWORTHY

Examples of Schools & Organizations Receiving Past Endowment Support Include:

RI-1

Boys and Girls Club of Newport County

Edgewood Highland School

Common Fence Music

Lippitt House Museum

Mose Brown School

Old Slater Mill Association

Warren Preservation Society

Paul Cuffee School

Jamestown Arts Center

Rhode Island Black Storytellers

F.J. Varieur Elementary School

Stadium Theatre Foundation

International Tennis Hall of Fame

Jewish Seniors Agency of Rhode Island

Fort Barton School

Progreso Latino

RI-2

Block Island Poetry Project

Cedar Hill School

Dance Alliance of Rhode Island

Hope Elementary School

Latino Public Radio

Ocean State Theatre Company

St. Patrick's Parish

Clouds Hill Victorian House Museum

Father Holland Catholic School

Quidnessett Elementary School

Girls Rock! Rhode Island

Chorus of Westerly

Environmental Council of Rhode Island

Puerto Rican Institute for Arts and

Advocacy

South County Museum

Trinity Academy for the Performing Arts

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