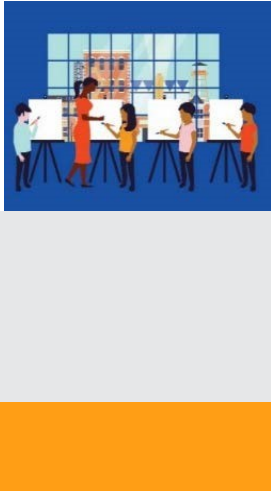




The National Endowment for the Arts is the only funder, public or private, that supports the arts in all **50 States** in the United States.

In the past 5 years...

The National Endowment for the Arts distributed more than **\$1,833,500** in grants in **South Carolina**.



In one year alone...

- Arts and cultural production in South Carolina added **2.5%**, or **\$5.3 billion** to the state's economy.
- South Carolina's arts and cultural industries employ **51,551** workers. These workers earn wages and benefits totaling **\$2.8 billion**.
- **28.7%** of South Carolina's adults attended live music, theater, or dance performances, while **13.1%** 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 **65 participating museums** in South 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 South Carolina, over **18,710 students** participated from among **90** high schools.

The **Big Read** program generated **50** community events focused on reading outstanding American literature and involving more than **980** adults and students in South Carolina.

The **Shakespeare in American Communities** program enabled schools in South Carolina to offer **9,400** 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





NOTEWORTHY

Examples of Schools & Organizations Receiving Past Endowment Support Include:

SC-1

Gibbes Museum of Art
Hilton Head Symphony Orchestra
Spoletto Festival USA
American College of the Building Arts
First Baptist Church School

SC-2

SC Law Enforcement Officers Hall of Fame
US Army Basic Combat Training Museum
Aiken Music Festival
Barnwell County Museum
Hand Middle School

SC-3

Clemson University
Strom Thurmond High School
The Railroad Historical Center
Wallahalla Civic Auditorium
Pendleton Historic Foundation

SC-4

Children's Museum of the Upstate
ETV Endowment of South Carolina
Museum and Gallery at Bob Jones University
Music Foundation of Spartanburg
Greenville County Museum of Art

SC-5

South Carolina Cotton Museum
Newberry Opera House Foundation
Newberry College
Chester County Historical Society
Cowpens National Battlefield

SC-6

Charleston County School of the Arts
Clafin University
Columbia Film Society
Arts Access South Carolina
Midlands Technical College

SC-7

Coker College
Pawley's Island Festival of Music and Art
Horry County Museum
Thornwell School for the Arts
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