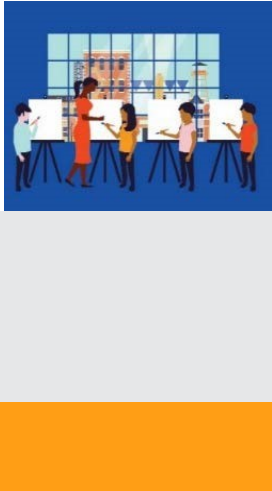




The National Endowment for the Arts is the only funder, public or private, that supports the arts in all **50 States** in the United States.

In the past 5 years... The National Endowment for the Arts distributed more than **\$7,503,300** in grants in **Virginia**.



In one year alone...

- Arts and cultural production in Virginia added **3.4%**, or **\$17.0 billion** to the state's economy.
- Virginia's arts and cultural industries employ **120,016** workers. These workers earn wages and benefits totaling **\$8.0 billion**.
- **38.2%** of Virginia's adults attended live music, theater, or dance performances, while **28.7%** 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 **232 participating museums** in Virginia.

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 Virginia, over **23,330 students** participated from among **171** high schools.

The **Big Read** program generated **412** community events focused on reading outstanding American literature and involving more than **17,500** adults and students in Virginia.

The **Shakespeare in American Communities** program enabled schools in Virginia to offer **5,800** 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. Fort Belvoir and Navy Medical Center are 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:

VA-1

*Fifes & Drums of York Town
National Museum of the Marine Corps
University of Mary Washington
Virginia Choral Society*

VA-5

*Ferrum College
Crozet Arts and Crafts Festival
Halifax County Little Theatre
Tandem Friends School*

VA-9

*Tazewell County
Bristol Ballet
Renaissance Music Academy
Radford University*

VA-2

*116th Infantry Regiment
Norfolk Chamber Consort
Virginia Children's Chorus
Bayside High School*

VA-6

*Hollins University
The Cold War Museum
Virginia Museum of Natural History
Opera Roanoke*

VA-10

*Loudoun Lyric Opera
Amadeus Concerts
McLean Symphony
Museum of the Shenandoah Valley*

VA-3

*Historic St. Luke's
James River Writers
US Army Transportation Museum
Richmond Jazz Society*

VA-7

*Louisa Arts Center
Poetry Society of Virginia
Latin Ballet of Virginia
Museum of Culpeper History*

VA-11

*Paul VI Catholic High School
National Firearms Museum
Mill House Museum
Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia*

VA-4

*Crenshaw Elementary School
US Army Women's Museum
Franklin Baptist Church
Dabbs House Museum*

VA-8

*Hub Theatre
Fort Belvoir Community Hospital
Reston Chorale
Penn Elementary School*

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