

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 **\$4,946,800** in grants in **South Dakota**.



Blue Star Museums. Photo by Debra Huskin

In one year alone...

- Arts and cultural production in South Dakota added **2.5%** or **\$1.2 billion** to the state's economy.
- South Dakota's arts and cultural industries employed **14,580** workers. These workers earned wages and benefits totaling over **\$700 million**.
- **54.5%** of South Dakota's adults attended live music, theater, or dance performances, while **25.2%** attended art exhibits.



National Endowment for the Arts Programs from FY17-FY19

**Blue Star Museums** program provided free admission to thousands of active military personnel and their families at **32 participating museums** in South Dakota.

**Poetry Out Loud** program provided opportunities for over **2,624 students** attending **35 high schools** in South Dakota to appreciate—through study, memorization, and public recitation—great poetry.

The **NEA Big Read** program generated **102** community events focused on reading outstanding American literature and involving more than **7,120** adults and students in South Dakota.

**Shakespeare in American Communities** program in South Dakota enabled schools to offer children the opportunity to see free live professional performances of Shakespeare.

**Creative Forces** program is expanding access to creative arts therapies and arts engagement opportunities for injured service members, veterans, and their families and caregivers.

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Projects Funded by the Arts Endowment either Directly or Through its State Arts Agency Partnership Funds Occurred in These and Other Locations

*Aberdeen Recreation and Cultural Center*

*Beeler Community Center*

*Black Hills Film Festival*

*Black Hills State University*

*Chamber Music Festival of the Black Hills*

*Children's Museum of South Dakota*

*Fallout Creative Community*

*LifeScape*

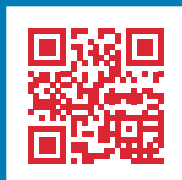
*Mitchell Area Community Theatre*

*North Country Fiber Fair*

*Oglala Lakota College*

*University of South Dakota*

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