

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 **\$8,024,000** in grants in **Virginia**.



Blue Star Museums. Photo by Debra Huskin

In one year alone...

- Arts and cultural production in Virginia added **3.5% or \$17.9 billion** to the state's economy.
- Virginia's arts and cultural industries employed **123,400** workers. These workers earned wages and benefits totaling over **\$8.3 billion**.
- **53.2%** of Virginia's adults attended live music, theater, or dance performances, while **26.8%** 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 **222 participating museums** in Virginia.

Poetry Out Loud program provided opportunities for over **23,117 students** attending **178 high schools** in Virginia to appreciate—through study, memorization, and public recitation—great poetry.

The **NEA Big Read** program generated **421** community events focused on reading outstanding American literature and involving more than **27,360** adults and students in Virginia.

Shakespeare in American Communities program in Virginia 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. **Fort Belvoir & Navy Medical Center** are participating in this innovative program.

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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

VA-01

*Hanover High School
Hylton Performing Arts Center
State Fair of Virginia*

VA-02

*College of William & Mary
First Night Williamsburg
North Street Playhouse*

VA-03

*Chrysler Museum of Art
Glass Wheel Studio
Virginia Arts Festival*

VA-04

*Gottwald Playhouse
Suffolk Public Library
University of Richmond*

VA-05

*Castleton Festival
Daedalus Books
Virginia Discovery Museum*

VA-06

*American Shakespeare Center
James Madison University
Virginia Military Institute*

VA-07

*Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden
St. Joseph Villa
Tuckahoe Library*

VA-08

*Synetic Theater
Wakefield High School
Westover Farmers Market*

VA-09

*Blue Mountain School
Floyd Creative Studios
Roanoke College*

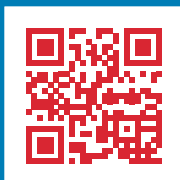
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*Chantilly Library
Shenandoah University
Sinclair Health Clinic*

VA-11

*Brightview Senior Living
Dogwood Elementary School
James Madison High School*

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