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 **\$11,584,830** in grants in **Arkansas**.



PC Ryan P. DeWolfe works with Danielle Vetro Kalseth, Music Therapist, HJF, in support of Creative Forces at Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson (JBER) in Anchorage, Alaska. Army photo/John Pennell

In one year alone...

- Arts and cultural production in Arkansas added
 2.2% or \$3.8 billion to the state's economy.
- Arkansas's arts and cultural industries employed 32,906 workers. These workers earned wages and benefits totaling \$2 billion.
- 31.6% of Arkansas's adults attended live music, theater, or dance performances, while 16.2% attended art exhibits.

National Endowment for the Arts Programs



The **Blue Star Museums** program provided free admission to thousands of active military personnel and their families at **11 participating museums** in Arkansas.



More than **1,186 students** from **50 high schools** in Arkansas participated in **Poetry Out Loud**.



The **NEA Big Read** program generated community events focused on reading outstanding American literature and involving more than **10,980** adults and students in Arkansas.



Creative Forces brings creative arts therapies to military personnel and veterans who are experiencing post-traumatic stress, mild traumatic brain injury, and related psychological illnesses. The program also offers community arts programming to improve the well-being and resilience of all military-connected people.

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Various Locations of Arts Endowment-Supported Projects

AR-01

CAVE CITY LIBRARY
CEDELL DAVIS STAGE
CLARENDON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
DELTA CULTURAL CENTER
DELTA GATEWAY MUSEUM
EAST ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE
EASTSIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
INDEPENDENCE COUNTY LIBRARY
LYONS COLLEGE
RITZ THEATRE
SEARCY COUNTY FAIR GROUNDS
SEARCY HIGH SCHOOL

AR-02

ANTHONY SCHOOL
ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND
BRADFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY
BRADY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
BYRNE HALL
CENTRAL ARKANSAS LIBRARY SYSTEM MAIN LIBRARY
COLLEGE STATION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
CONWAY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
FAULKNER CO. LIBRARY GREENBRIAR
HENDRIX COLLEGE
HILL FARM ELEMENTARY
HISTORIC ARKANSAS MUSEUM
LITTLE ROCK WEST HIGH SCHOOL OF INNOVATION
OLD STATE HOUSE MUSEUM
ROOSEVELT THOMPSON BOOK CLUB

AR-03

ARKANSAS ARTS ACADEMY ELEMENTARY/MIDDLE CRYSTAL BRIDGES MUSEUM OF AMERICAN ART EUPER LANE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FAYETTEVILLE HIGH SCHOOL FUTURE HIGH SCHOOL GENTRY PRIMARY SCHOOL JOHN TYSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

MOUNTAINBURG HIGH SCHOOL
THE MOMENTARY
THE PEEL MUSEUM AND BOTANICAL GARDEN
THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT FAYETTEVILLE
THEATRESQUARED
UA COMMUNITY DESIGN CENTER
WASHINGTON MIDDLE SCHOOL
WATERSHED CONSERVATION RESOURCE CENTER

AR-04

AR-04
ARTS & SCIENCE CENTER FOR SOUTHEAST ARKANSAS
CENTER VALLEY ELEMENTARY
DOVER ELEMENTARY
DREW CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL
JASPER HIGH
JESSIEVILLE MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY
LAKESIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL
LOW KEY ARTS HEADQUARTERS
MALCO THEATER
MALVERN HIGH SCHOOL
MILLIE BROOKS LIBRARY
MOUNT JUDEA ELEMENTARY
OAKLAWN STEM MAGNET
SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST
WILBUR D. MILLS UNIVERSITY STUDIES HIGH SCHOOL

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