

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 **\$19,224,875** in grants in **North Carolina**.



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 North Carolina added **3.2% or \$25.1 billion** to the state's economy.
- North Carolina's arts and cultural industries employed **167,254** workers. These workers earned wages and benefits totaling **\$12.6 billion**.
- **39.1%** of North Carolina's adults attended live music, theater, or dance performances, while **18.5%** 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 **109 participating museums** in North Carolina.



More than **3,472 students** from **148 high schools** in North Carolina participated in **Poetry Out Loud**.



The **NEA Big Read** program generated community events focused on reading outstanding American literature and involving more than **15,330** adults and students in North Carolina.



The **Shakespeare in American Communities** program in North Carolina enabled schools to offer **972** children the opportunity to see live professional performances of Shakespeare, or to engage in educational programs.



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

NC-01

EARLY COLLEGE OF FORSYTH
KORNEGAY ARENA
POCOSIN ARTS

NC-02

NORTH CAROLINA MUSEUM OF HISTORY
NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY
SHAW UNIVERSITY
THE CARY THEATER

NC-03

CARTERET COMMUNITY THEATRE
HARRELLS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY
SHEPPARD MEMORIAL LIBRARY

NC-04

DUKE UNIVERSITY
FIFTH THIRD BANK
PAWS AT THE CORNER

NC-05

GUILDFORD COLLEGE BOOKSTORE
INTERNATIONAL CIVIL RIGHTS CENTER AND MUSEUM
UNC GREENSBORO

NC-06

HIGH POINT UNIVERSITY BOOKSTORE
NC MUSEUM OF DOLLS TOYS AND MINITURES
PENN-GRIFFIN SCHOOL FOR THE ARTS

NC-07

COLUMBUS COUNTY SCHOOLS
INDIGO MOON FILM FESTIVAL
KENAN AUDITORIUM

NC-08

INDEPENDENCE HIGH SCHOOL
MONROE HIGH SCHOOL
UNION COUNTY EARLY COLLEGE
UPWARD BOUND--PARTNERS IN MINISTRY

NC-09

ALAMANCE ARTS
ALAMANCE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARIES
PINECREST HIGH SCHOOL
THE HAWBRIDGE SCHOOL

NC-10

KALEIDEUM
LAM MUSEUM OF ANTHROPOLOGY, WAKE FOREST
UNIVERSITY
OLD SALEM MUSEUM & GARDENS
WEST IREDELL MIDDLE SCHOOL

NC-11

MCDOWELL COUNTY
PENLAND SCHOOL OF CRAFT
PINEBROOK MANOR
PISGAH ELEMENTARY

NC-12

CAMP NORTH END
GOODYEAR ARTS
LEVINE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL
UNC AT CHARLOTTE

NC-13

HOCUTT-ELLINGTON MEMORIAL LIBRARY MEETING ROOM
INWAVE
ROXBORO COMMUNITY SCHOOL
WEST CLAYTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

NC-14

EARL SCRUGGS CENTER
GARDNER-WEBB UNIVERSITY
HAYNES BRANCH LIBRARY
TRYON FINE ARTS CENTER

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