The National Endowment for the Arts AND ARTS EDUCATION

The arts are a fundamental part of American lives and American education, and arts education can transform students, schools, and communities. The National Endowment for the Arts is helping ensure Americans of all ages have opportunities to learn, create, and grow.

ARTS EDUCATION AND THE ARTS ENDOWMENT

The National Endowment for the Arts supports arts learning, both in and out of the classroom, as a way to develop creative thinking skills and inspire self-expression. On average each year:



funded 296 grants to support lifelong learning

\$5.5 M

of that supports 170 pre-K – 12 arts education projects

of arts education projects (preK-12) directly engaged underserved populations.

The Arts Endowment provides financial resources, leadership and support to ensure our nation's youth have access to educational opportunities that will help them learn and be active and participatory citizens.

ARTS EDUCATION AND ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

National Endowment for the Arts research shows that arts education helps students succeed throughout their academic careers and their lives.

Arts education is associated with many positive, long-term academic, social, and workforce benefits.



Creative Thinking Civic Engagement Problem-Solving

8-12th grade students from low socioeconomic backgrounds who received arts education were 3x more likely to



Students from low socioeconomic backgrounds who have access to the arts in or out of school are more likely to

Set higher career goals

earn a bachelor's degree than students who lacked those experiences

Have higher STEM scores

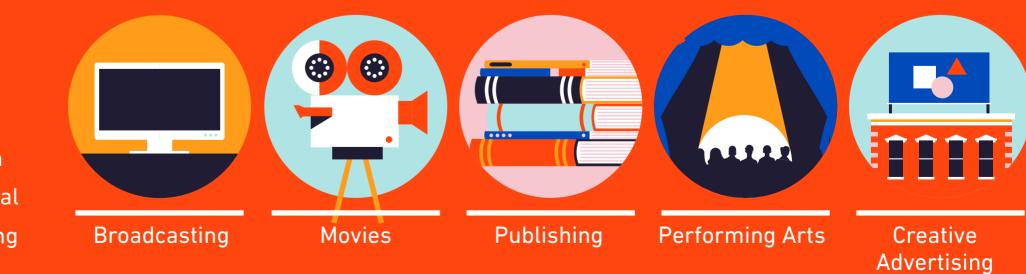
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ARTS EDUCATION IS KEY TO THE CREATIVE ECONOMY

Arts and cultural production contribute \$919.7 B to the US economy



>5 M Americans work in the arts and cultural industries, including



Arts education helps prepare the next generation of the creative economy.

The National Endowment for the Arts advances arts education across the country by funding initiatives, publishing research, and maintaining partnerships that lay the foundation for lifelong learning.

