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May 29, 2024

The Honorable Scott Flippo, Senate Co-Chairman
The Honorable Les Eaves, House Co-Chairman
ALC-Review Subcommittee
315 State Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Senator Flippo and Representative Eaves:

Attached please find a summary report of FY25 Arkansas Arts Council grants in compliance with A.C.A. § 19-4-2201.

These grants are funded through an annual State Partnership federal grant from the National Endowment for the Arts; Arkansas Conservation Tax appropriations; and a generous grant of \$150,000 from the Windgate Foundation, augmenting support for arts curriculum development and summer/after-school artist-in-residency programs. Other grants in this summary provide annual general operating support to established local arts organizations; major project support for local partnerships; and programs providing administrative and marketing skills to help visual and performing artists participate fully in Arkansas's growing creative workforce.

Applications this year were exhaustively panel- and staff-reviewed and represent the recommendations of the Governor-appointed Arts Advisory Council at its May 16, 2024 meeting.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact me at patrick.ralston@arkansas.gov, or by phone at (501) 324-9770.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Patrick L. Ralston".

Patrick L. Ralston,
Director, Arkansas Arts Council

Cc: Gin Brown, Chair, Arkansas Arts Advisory Council
Marty Ryall, Director, Division of Arkansas Heritage
Shea Lewis, Secretary, Arkansas Dept of Parks, Heritage & Tourism

**DEPARTMENT OF ARKANSAS HERITAGE
ARKANSAS ARTS COUNCIL
FY25 Grant Funds
State/Federal/Private Foundation Dollars**

Grant Period: July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025

Provider/City	Area Served	Services Provided	Amount Requested	Amount Awarded	Funding Sources
Alma Education and Arts Foundation Alma	Northwest Arkansas	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$59,775	\$18,201	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%
Argenta Community Theater North Little Rock	Statewide	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$57,200	\$18,819	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%
Arkansas Cinema Society Little Rock	Central Arkansas	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$39,421	\$11,452	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%
Arkansas Repertory Theatre Little Rock	Central Arkansas	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$75,000	\$23,363	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%
Arts & Science Center for Southeast Arkansas Pine Bluff	Southeast Arkansas	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$58,193	\$19,553	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%
Arts on Main Van Buren	Northwest Arkansas	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$63,372	\$21,293	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%
Ballet Arkansas, Inc. Little Rock	Statewide	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$54,543	\$17,372	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%

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Brandon House Cultural & Performing Arts Center Little Rock	Central Arkansas	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$75,000	\$22,575	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%
Community School of the Arts Fort Smith	Western Arkansas	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$35,627	\$11,597	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%
Creative Arkansas Community Hub and Exchange Springdale	Northwest Arkansas	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$56,840	\$14,722	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%
Eureka Springs School of Art Eureka Springs	Northwest Arkansas	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$41,001	\$13,059	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%
Fort Smith Regional Art Museum Fort Smith	Northwest Arkansas	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$56,694	\$17,065	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%
Fort Smith Symphony Fort Smith	Western Arkansas	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$52,000	\$15,652	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%
Hot Springs Doc. Film Institute Hot Springs	Statewide	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$42,093	\$12,817	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%
Inspiration Point Fine Arts Colony Eureka Springs	Statewide	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$60,816	\$20,221	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%
Mount Sequoyah Center, Inc. Fayetteville	Northwest Arkansas	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$75,000	\$21,525	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%

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NWA Community Creative Center Fayetteville	Northwest Arkansas	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$40,868	\$13,589	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%
Sonny Boy Blues Society Helena	Statewide	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$53,388	\$15,696	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%
South Arkansas Arts Center El Dorado	Southern Arkansas	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$72,218	\$24,518	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%
Symphony Orchestra of NW Arkansas Fayetteville	Northwest Arkansas	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$75,000	\$24,675	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%
Thea Foundation North Little Rock	Statewide	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$51,411	\$15,835	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%
The Foundation of Arts Jonesboro	Northeast Arkansas	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$45,069	\$14,985	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%
The House of Songs Bentonville	Northwest Arkansas	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$44,485	\$13,546	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%
Tricycle Theatre for Youth Bentonville	Northwest Arkansas	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$75,000	\$19,425	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%

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Western Arkansas Ballet Fort Smith	Western Arkansas	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$32,118	\$10,117	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%
Westwind School for Performing Arts North Little Rock	Central Arkansas	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$50,000	\$14,700	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%
Wildwood Park for the Arts Little Rock	Statewide	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$38,328	\$12,073	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%
Arkansas Arts Center dba AR Museum of Fine Arts Little Rock	Statewide	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$75,000	\$24,938	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%
Arkansas Symphony Orchestra Little Rock	Statewide	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$75,000	\$24,938	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%
Oxford American Little Rock	Nationwide	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$75,000	\$20,738	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%
Texarkana Regional Arts & Humanities Council Texarkana	Southwest Arkansas	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$51,336	\$15,632	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%
Texarkana Symphony Orchestra Texarkana	Statewide	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$75,000	\$24,675	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%

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TheatreSquared Fayetteville	Northwest Arkansas	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$75,000	\$24,413	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%
Walton Arts Center Fayetteville	Northwest Arkansas	Provides general operating funds for administrative expenses	\$75,000	\$21,525	State General Revenue-23% State Special Revenue from Conservation Tax-77%
Arkansas Children's Hospital Foundation Little Rock	Statewide	For artist residencies serving young patients and their families	\$40,000	\$38,000	Windgate Foundation Funds-25% Federal Revenue-75%
Arkansas Symphony Orchestra Society, Inc. Little Rock	Statewide	For artist residencies in schools	\$39,813	\$37,424	Windgate Foundation Funds-25% Federal Revenue-75%
Arts on Main- (Center for Art & Education) Van Buren	Northwest Arkansas	For artist residencies in area schools	\$40,000	\$38,000	Windgate Foundation Funds-25% Federal Revenue-75%
Batesville Area Arts Council Batesville	Northeast/North Central Arkansas	For artist residencies in area schools	\$26,000	\$23,920	Windgate Foundation Funds-25% Federal Revenue-75%
Canvas Seven Foundation Little Rock	Central Arkansas	For artist residencies in area schools	\$40,000	\$37,600	Windgate Foundation Funds-25% Federal Revenue-75%

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DeltaArts West Memphis	East Arkansas	For artist residencies in area schools and teacher training	\$30,000	\$23,100	Windgate Foundation Funds- 25% Federal Revenue-75%
Learning Through the Arts Hot Springs Village	Central Arkansas	For artist residencies in area schools	\$40,000	\$37,200	Federal Revenue-100%
Methodist Family Health Foundation Little Rock	Central Arkansas	For artist residencies provided to young patients	\$15,050	\$14,298	Federal Revenue-100%
Museum of Discovery Little Rock	Central Arkansas	For artist residencies at the museum	\$40,000	\$38,400	Federal Revenue-100%
Sonny Boy Blues Society Helena	Statewide	For artist residencies in schools	\$40,000	\$36,800	Federal Revenue-100%
South Arkansas Arts Center El Dorado	South Central/ Southwest Arkansas	For artist residencies in area schools and teacher training	\$40,000	\$37,200	Federal Revenue-100%
Texarkana Regional Arts & Humanities Council Texarkana	Southwest Arkansas	For artist residencies in area schools and teacher training	\$40,000	\$36,400	Federal Revenue-100%

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TheatreSquared Fayetteville	Northwest Arkansas	For artist residencies in area schools	\$40,000	\$36,800	Federal Revenue-100%
Tricycle Theatre for Youth Bentonville	Northwest Arkansas	For artist residencies in area schools	\$40,000	\$39,200	Federal Revenue-100%
Walton Arts Center Fayetteville	Northwest Arkansas	For artist residencies in area schools and teacher training	\$40,000	\$38,400	Federal Revenue-100%
TOTALS			\$2,660,818	\$1,128,046	