

Alabama State Council on the Arts Awards Grants Totaling \$2,290,710 at its September Meeting

The Alabama State Council on the Arts has awarded 137 grants totaling \$2,290,710 to 113 grantees across the state. Organizations providing public programs in arts education, folk arts, community arts, literary arts, dance, music, theatre, and visual art forms received support through this competitive process.

A number of these grants are provided to state-wide partners and organizations receiving operating support. These important institutions are cornerstones in the arts landscape of Alabama, reaching 1.7 million Alabamians and visitors to our state annually with arts programming.

Support for arts programming is critical for a vibrant creative community, which results in a thriving arts economy, a workforce ready for innovation, and a high quality of life for all residents. However, the needs of the arts sector are greater than the Council has the ability to fund, with the requested amount in this grant cycle totaling \$4.3 million.

Funding for the Council on the Arts is provided by the Alabama State Legislature and the National Endowment of the Arts, a federal agency. Chaired by Jim Harrison III of Tuscaloosa, the Council is comprised of 15 Governor-appointed members. The staff that administer the grants program also provide technical assistance in arts planning and programming, under the leadership of Executive Director Elliot Knight, PhD.

Jim Harrison stated, *“The Council is pleased to support educational groups, community organizations and arts institutions with these approved grants. Funds awarded through the Council's granting process provide a better education for students, nourishing imagination and preparing them for the workforce of tomorrow. These important grants also strengthen cultural expression and attract new industry to our colorful and vibrant state.”*

More grant awards will be announced in early December. The next deadline for grant applications is March 1 for individual artist fellowships and grants for planning, design, and construction of cultural facilities.

For more information about the Council, or grants that have been awarded, see arts.alabama.gov, or contact Barbara Reed, Public Information Officer at 334-242-5153.

Grantee Name	City	County	Grant	Title
Abroms-Engel Institute for the Visual Arts, UAB	Birmingham	Jefferson	\$5,600	AEIVA A La Carte Exhibition
Alabama Alliance for Arts Education	Montgomery	Montgomery	\$63,000	Statewide Services
Alabama Blues Project	Tuscaloosa	Tuscaloosa	\$5,700	Support for Executive Director's Salary
Alabama Blues Project	Tuscaloosa	Tuscaloosa	\$6,000	After-school & In-school Blues Programs
Alabama Conference of Theatre	Birmingham	Jefferson	\$6,000	Theatre Festivals throughout Alabama
Alabama Contemporary Art Center	Mobile	Mobile	\$11,200	Guest Curator Program
ADC / Fiscal Agent for Lindsey Renea Benton	Birmingham	Jefferson	\$6,000	Dance On Screen Alabama
ADC / Fiscal Agent for Jellybean Dance Collective	Birmingham	Jefferson	\$6,000	Where We Are Now
Alabama Dance Council	Birmingham	Jefferson	\$63,000	Statewide Services
Alabama Dance Theatre	Montgomery	Montgomery	\$18,400	Operating Support
Alabama Folklife Association	Mobile	Mobile	\$53,000	Statewide Services
Alabama Korea Education Economic Partnership AKEEP	Montgomery	Montgomery	\$4,500	Korean Folklore & Arts Workshop
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Alabama Moving Image Association	Birmingham	Jefferson	\$3,300	Sidewalk LGBTQ Film Club
Alabama Educational Television Foundation	Birmingham	Jefferson	\$6,000	Alabama Black Belt Blues
Alabama Shakespeare Festival	Montgomery	Montgomery	\$197,000	Operating Support
Alabama State University Foundation, BFA Dance	Montgomery	Montgomery	\$12,000	BFA Virtual Dance Series
Alabama Symphonic Association, Inc.	Birmingham	Jefferson	\$155,000	Operating Support
Alabama Visual Arts Network	Montgomery	Montgomery	\$2,800	AL Arts Trail and Web site
Alabama Visual Arts Network	Montgomery	Montgomery	\$15,000	Statewide Services
Alabama Writers' Forum, Inc	Montgomery	Montgomery	\$63,000	Statewide Services
Alabama Youth Ballet Theatre	Huntsville	Madison	\$3,380	The Dance Connection
Alexander City Arts Inc	Alexander City	Tallapoosa	\$1,000	Alexander City Arts 2020-21 Season
Andalusia Ballet Association	Andalusia	Covington	\$3,000	"Lords A-Leaping"
Arts and Humanities Council of Tuscaloosa County	Tuscaloosa	Tuscaloosa	\$17,500	Operating Support
Arts Revive-CDC	Selma	Dallas	\$5,700	42nd Annual Tale Tellin' / 2nd Annual Blues
Auburn University Department of Music	Auburn	Lee	\$3,000	Commissions: Celebrating Alabama Culture
Azalea City Center for the Arts	Mobile	Mobile	\$6,500	Theater in Schools
Bib & Tucker Sew-Op	Birmingham	Jefferson	\$5,550	Mask-Maker Scrap-Quilts

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Birmingham Chamber Music Society	Mountain Brook	Jefferson	\$2,650	Rachel Barton Pine-concert & outreach
Birmingham Chamber Music Society	Mountain Brook	Jefferson	\$3,550	Sandbox Percussion-concert & outreach
Birmingham Children's Theatre	Birmingham	Jefferson	\$25,600	Operating Support
Birmingham International Educational Film Festival	Helena	Shelby	\$2,000	"Another River to Cross" film phase 2
Birmingham Museum of Art (BMA)	Birmingham	Jefferson	\$184,000	Operating Support
Black Belt Community Foundation	Selma	Dallas	\$120,000	Black Belt Arts Initiative
Blackbelt Benefit Group	Selma	Dallas	\$3,230	Art Jam 2020
Blackbelt Benefit Group	Selma	Dallas	\$3,600	Salary Support 2020
Broadway Theatre League of Huntsville, Inc	Huntsville	Madison	\$10,800	BTL's 20/21 Student Outreach Program
Butler County School System	Greenville	Butler	\$4,000	Building a First-Class Tuba Program
Children's Dance Foundation	Birmingham	Jefferson	\$20,500	Operating Support
Coleman Center for the Arts	York	Sumter	\$5,600	Coleman Center Exhibitions 2021
Community Ballet Association, Inc.	Huntsville	Madison	\$6,000	HBC 2020/2021 COVID-19 Season
Community Ballet Association, Inc.	Huntsville	Madison	\$6,500	Discover Dance Educational Programs
Community Theatre, Inc.	Florence	Lauderdale	\$7,200	COVID Comeback Theatre Series
Dance All Productions / Fiscal Agent for INNERGY Inc.	Huntsville	Madison	\$1,400	Administrative Project
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Dauphin Island Heritage and Arts Council, Inc.	Dauphin Island	Mobile	\$2,160	Visual Art Program Manager
Decatur Youth Symphony, Inc.	Decatur	Morgan	\$6,000	Support for DYS Program Administration
Decatur Youth Symphony, Inc.	Decatur	Morgan	\$7,200	Concert Series and Ensembles
Delta Resource Educational Association Mobile, Inc	Mobile	Mobile	\$6,000	Alvin Ailey II Dance Theater
DesignAlabama, Inc.	Montgomery	Montgomery	\$60,000	Statewide Services
DRUM the Program, Inc	Montevallo	Chilton	\$2,640	West African Cultural After-School Prog
Eastern Shore Art Association, Inc.	Fairhope	Baldwin	\$3,300	ESAC Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeper
Eastern Shore Art Association, Inc.	Fairhope	Baldwin	\$5,150	ESAC Virtual Arts Instruction
Etowah County Board of Education	Gadsden	Etowah	\$6,500	School String Orchestra Program
Exposure Community Development Corporation	Birmingham	Jefferson	\$5,700	ECDC Free Music Opportunity Classes
Fantasy Playhouse Children's Theater	Huntsville	Madison	\$12,000	Support of 60th Season Programming
Franklin County Arts and Humanities Council, Inc.	Russellville	Franklin	\$3,420	The Roxy's Christmas Spectacular

Gadsden Cultural Arts Foundation, Inc.	Gadsden	Etowah	\$53,500	Operating Support
Gadsden Symphony Orchestra	Gadsden	Etowah	\$10,900	It's Not for Anyone, It's for Everyone
Gulf Coast Steinway Society Inc	Mobile	Mobile	\$2,100	Competition - Inspire Musical Excellence
Huntsville Chamber Music Guild	Huntsville	Madison	\$4,500	2020-2021 Celebrity Concert Series
Huntsville Community Chorus Association	Huntsville	Madison	\$6,000	Support of Choral/Music Education Programs
Huntsville Community Drumline	Huntsville	Madison	\$5,700	Free Youth Percussion & Music Instruction
Huntsville Museum of Art	Huntsville	Madison	\$61,500	Operating Support
Huntsville Symphony Orchestra	Huntsville	Madison	\$50,500	Operating Support
Huntsville Youth Orchestra	Huntsville	Madison	\$12,000	"A Season of Masterworks"
Inside Out Studio Inc.	Huntsville	Madison	\$4,480	Disability Arts Opportunities
Jefferson County Board of Education	Birmingham	Jefferson	\$2,520	Jefferson County Elem Music Festival
Jefferson County Board of Education	Birmingham	Jefferson	\$5,200	Arts on the Road
Judson College	Marion	Perry	\$1,500	Ensemble Chaconne Shakespeare Concert
Kentuck Museum Association	Northport	Tuscaloosa	\$3,300	2020 Kentuck Festival - Program Artists
Little River Arts Council, Inc	Mentone	DeKalb	\$1,420	Creative Spirit Market
Magic City Smooth Jazz	Birmingham	Jefferson	\$6,000	Alabama Jazz Festival
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Main Street Alabama	Birmingham	Jefferson	\$2,850	Photography of Main Street Communities
Marshall County Retired Senior Volunteer Program	Guntersville	Marshall	\$4,270	Melodies & Musings: Our Appalachian Legacy
Metropolitan Arts Center / Virginia Samford Theatre	Birmingham	Jefferson	\$28,500	Operating Support
Mobile Arts Council	Mobile	Mobile	\$5,600	E.O. Wilson Tribute Public Art Project
Mobile Ballet, Inc.	Mobile	Mobile	\$23,800	Operating Support
Mobile Chamber Music	Mobile	Mobile	\$6,600	Three Chamber Music Concerts and Outreach
Mobile International Festival	Mobile	Mobile	\$5,700	Mobile International Festival
Mobile Museum of Art	Mobile	Mobile	\$74,500	Operating Support
Mobile Opera. Inc.	Mobile	Mobile	\$7,200	Mobile Opera's Intermezzo Season 2020-21
Mobile Symphony, Inc.	Mobile	Mobile	\$46,000	Operating Support
Monroe County Heritage Museum (MCHM)	Monroeville	Monroe	\$5,700	"Hiram Becoming Hank," a play with music
Montgomery Civic Ballet, Inc.	Montgomery	Montgomery	\$3,000	Administration Funding
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Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts Association	Montgomery	Montgomery	\$118,600	Operating Support
Montgomery Symphony Association	Montgomery	Montgomery	\$6,000	Montgomery Music Project 2020-2021
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Nathifa Dance Company and Outreach Inc	Birmingham	Jefferson	\$9,000	"Welcome Nathifa Watoto"
Opera Birmingham	Birmingham	Jefferson	\$6,000	Opera Birmingham Fall 2020 Concerts
Opera Birmingham	Birmingham	Jefferson	\$6,000	Opera Birmingham Commission - "Touch" Opera
Orange Beach High School	Orange Beach	Baldwin	\$3,250	Original play: "The Gravedigger"
PaperWorkers Local	Birmingham	Jefferson	\$3,300	Part-time administrative assistance
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Paul R Jones Museum (University of Alabama)	Tuscaloosa	Tuscaloosa	\$5,600	Paul R. Jones Museum Exhibitions 2020-21
Pioneer Museum of Alabama	Troy	Pike	\$4,500	Pioneer Days
Princess Theatre Center for the Performing Arts	Decatur	Morgan	\$11,400	Princess Theatre Fall/Winter Performance
Red Mountain Theatre Company	Birmingham	Jefferson	\$6,000	Human Rights New Works Festival 2021
Red Mountain Theatre Company	Birmingham	Jefferson	\$75,000	Operating Support
Saint Bernard Preparatory School	Cullman	Cullman	\$5,700	4th Annual Bernard Blues & BBQ Festival
Sanspointe Dance Company	Birmingham	Jefferson	\$3,000	"To Soar" - A dance concert
Selma Dallas County Historic Preservation Society	Selma	Dallas	\$5,700	Window Art on Historic YMCA
Shoals Symphony Orchestra	Florence	Lauderdale	\$3,000	Honor Orchestra Festival
Shoals Symphony Orchestra	Florence	Lauderdale	\$6,000	Holiday Classics Concert
Sloss Furnaces Foundation	Birmingham	Jefferson	\$2,800	Visiting Artist Residency
Sloss Furnaces Foundation	Birmingham	Jefferson	\$5,600	National Cast Iron Art Conference
Southeast Alabama Dance Company	Dothan	Houston	\$12,000	SE AL Dance Company 2020-2021 Season
Space One Eleven (SOE)	Birmingham	Jefferson	\$5,600	Group Art Exhibition - Racial Injustice
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State of Alabama Ballet, Inc.	Birmingham	Jefferson	\$54,100	Operating Support
Sylacauga Alliance For Family Enhancement	Sylacauga	Talladega	\$2,500	Christmas Angels
The Arts Association of East Alabama	Opelika	Lee	\$11,400	East Alabama Arts Performance Series
The Arts Council of Montgomery	Montgomery	Montgomery	\$1,990	Doing Our Own Thing (DOOT)
The Arts Council, Inc. dba Arts Huntsville	Huntsville	Madison	\$25,000	Operating Support
The Cultural Arts Center	Dothan	Houston	\$6,500	ARTSmart Henry County

The Kelly Fitzpatrick Memorial Gallery	Wetumpka	Elmore	\$3,300	Paint the Town
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The University of Alabama	Tuscaloosa	Tuscaloosa	\$6,000	Alabama Bound
The University of West Alabama	Livingston	Sumter	\$3,000	The Sucarnochee Folklife Festival
Theatre Huntsville	Huntsville	Madison	\$6,000	Administrative Salary Support
Theatre Huntsville	Huntsville	Madison	\$6,000	Support for the 2020-21 Season
Theatre Tuscaloosa	Tuscaloosa	Tuscaloosa	\$12,000	Spreading Joy Season
Troy-Pike Cultural Arts Center, Inc.	Troy	Pike	\$2,400	Let's Rock! with Artist Enid Probst
Turtle Island Native American Association	Guntersville	Marshall	\$1,200	Annual Pow Wow
Tuscaloosa Symphony Orchestra Association, Inc.	Tuscaloosa	Tuscaloosa	\$12,000	TSO 2020-2021 Concert Season
Tuskegee Repertory Theatre, Inc.	Tuskegee	Macon	\$9,000	TRT Theatre Production & Broadcast
Valiant Cross Academy	Montgomery	Montgomery	\$6,500	Art Enrichment Provided by King's Canvas
Valley Arts and Entertainment, Inc.	Huntsville	Madison	\$1,500	General office administrative support
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Vulcan Park Foundation DBA Vulcan Park and Museum	Birmingham	Jefferson	\$11,400	Digital Dramatic Performance Videos
Wilson Hall Middle School	Grove Hill	Clarke	\$2,400	Artful Fridays
Wiregrass Museum of Art, Inc.	Dothan	Houston	\$5,600	Out of the (Art) Box 2021
Wiregrass Museum of Art, Inc.	Dothan	Houston	\$5,600	Artist-Focused Public Programming