

Senator Rodney Ellis

Texas Senate District: 13



Arts and Cultural Grants

Listed by Texas Senate District

Fiscal Year 2013

Alley Theatre

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$11,157**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Education **\$2,440**

To support theater arts workshops and residencies on writing, design, audience development, acting, and the technical aspects of producing plays, for high school students in the Houston metropolitan area.

Arts Respond Public Safety & Criminal Justice **\$1,220**

To support "Roadshow," a tour of student productions based on student-written plays targeting at-risk Houston youth.

Art League of Houston

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$3,793**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$915**

To support the exhibition of large scale temporary sculptures by Patrick Renner along the medians of Montrose Boulevard that will attract Houston citizens as well as visitors to greater Montrose businesses and art entities.

Arts Respond Education **\$563**

To support curriculum-based artist residencies in Houston ISD Title 1 schools that integrate curricula with art and writing.

Aurora Picture Show

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$4,240**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Education **\$1,830**

To support media literacy and digital filmmaking workshops for Houston area elementary and middle school students.

Arts Respond Health & Human Services	\$563
<i>To support providing two-hour stop-motion animation workshops at the Texas Children Hospital's Arts in Medicine Program in Houston.</i>	
Bayou City Performing Arts	
Arts Create - Year 2	\$3,347
<i>To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.</i>	
Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Galveston-Houston	
Arts Respond Performance Support	\$5,292
<i>Artistic fee subsidy for Artreach to provide two series of art classes in Richmond, September 1-August 31, 2013. Senior citizens at Mamie George Community Center will be provided with free classes occurring up to three times per week for 48 weeks. Art programming for children at Rio Bend Foster Care Community will be provided on a monthly basis year-round.</i>	
Community Artists' Collective	
Arts Create - Year 2	\$2,901
<i>To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.</i>	
Contemporary Arts Museum Houston	
Arts Create - Year 2	\$7,364
<i>To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.</i>	
Da Camera of Houston	
Arts Create - Year 2	\$5,579
<i>To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.</i>	
Arts Respond Education	\$1,525
<i>To support free in-school chamber music performances at Houston area schools.</i>	
Arts Respond Health & Human Services	\$2,227
<i>To support the costs of presenting musical residencies by members of the Da Camera Young Artists Program at the Monarch School in Houston, serving children with neurological differences in developmentally specific programming.</i>	
Arts Respond Public Safety & Criminal Justice	\$1,127
<i>To support the Young Artist Program, a collaborative program that involves young professional musicians who provide music education to residents of the Boys and Girls Harbor, a facility for abused, abandoned, and neglected children ages 5-18.</i>	
Dance of Asian America	
Arts Create - Year 2	\$5,132
<i>To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.</i>	
Arts Respond Education	\$2,440
<i>To support 45-minute Chinese dance performances in Houston area schools for K-12th grade students.</i>	

DiverseWorks

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$6,918**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$2,440**

To support Diverse Discourse, a visiting lecturer series that brings three renowned arts professionals to Houston to give free public talks and to conduct studio visits that will attract local citizens and visitors.

Arts Respond Education **\$2,440**

To support "City Council Meeting," a theater piece that will teach Houston area high school students about city government and civic responsibility.

Dominic Walsh Dance Theater

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$6,918**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Ensemble Theatre

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$6,025**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

FotoFest

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$5,132**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Glassell School of Art/MFAH

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$5,132**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Gulf Coast: A Journal of Literature and Fine Art

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$3,793**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$2,535**

To support the Menil Community Arts Festival/Houston Indie Book Fair, a one-day festival that focuses on nonprofit arts organizations in the Menil neighborhood, as well as regional writers who will showcase their independently published work.

Heritage Rose Elementary/Fort Bend ISD

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$575**

Artistic fee subsidy for Main Street Theater to perform in Rossharon on May 8, 2013. Heritage Rose Elementary is a Title 1 school.

Hope Stone

Arts Create - Year 2 \$4,240

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Public Safety & Criminal Justice \$915

To support a program of yoga and drumming at the Krause Children's Center, a treatment facility for children who have been removed from their homes because of extreme physical, emotional, and sexual abuse.

Houston Arts Alliance

Arts Create - Year 2 \$5,132

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.



Arts Create Subgranting - Year 2 \$17,852

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in subgranting for arts activities conducted by organizations within the community served by the subgranter.

Arts Respond Natural Resources & Agriculture \$915

To support the Folklife and Traditional Arts Program's Working the Port project, which emphasizes the role that natural resources such as water and oil have played in Houston.

Houston Ballet Foundation

Arts Create - Year 2 \$9,372

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Education \$2,034

To support a variety of in-school dance programs and workshops for Houston area K-12th grade students.

Houston Center for Contemporary Craft

Arts Create - Year 2 \$7,364

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Houston Chamber Choir

Arts Create - Year 2 \$3,347

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Houston Children's Chorus

Arts Create - Year 2 \$3,347

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Education \$1,220

To support a program that sends choral directors into underserved schools in the Houston area to create choirs.

Houston Cinema Arts Society

Arts Create - Year 2 \$3,793

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.



Indicates a block grant that will be matched and distributed in the community by grant recipient.

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$2,135**
To support the Houston Cinema Arts Festival, with a focus on films and new media by and about art and artists in the visual, performing, and literary arts that will attract Houston citizens and visitors.

Houston Early Music

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$3,347**
To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Houston Festival Foundation

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$1,690**
To support the Houston/Brasil Performing Arts Initiative, a curated program that is a part of the Houston International Festival, which attracts a large diverse audience from the community and abroad and generates income for artists and local businesses.

Arts Respond Education **\$1,690**
To support in-school Brazilian dance performances and workshops in Houston K-12th grade classrooms, and a teacher's curriculum guide in conjunction with a city-wide festival.

Houston Friends of Music

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$5,132**
To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Houston Grand Opera Association

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$10,265**
To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Education **\$2,440**
To support performances of an original bilingual opera for K-12th grade audiences along the Rio Grande River and across Texas, enhanced by a TEKS-aligned online study guide.

Houston Grand Opera's Opera to Go!

Commission Initiative – Target Foundation **\$4,500**
Support for TCA Touring Roster artist Houston Grand Opera's Opera to Go! to provide eight performances for elementary school students in Victoria, November 26-28, 2012. This activity is funded by a grant from the Target Foundation.

Houston International Dance Coalition

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$5,579**
To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Houston Metropolitan Dance Company

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$3,793**
To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Houston Playback Theatre

Arts Respond Health & Human Services **\$610**

To support playback theatre presentations for couples going through the AVANCE Hispanic Healthy Marriage program in Houston.

Arts Respond Public Safety & Criminal Justice **\$1,525**

To support an after-school playback theatre program about bullying, including a writing component, for middle school students in Houston.

Houston Symphony

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$9,372**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Inprint

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$6,918**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Laurel Thornburg

Commission Initiative- Young Masters FY2013 **\$2,500**

To support the costs for Texas Young Master Laurel Thornburg from Houston to pursue advanced arts training in visual arts.

Lawndale Art Center

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$4,240**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Main Street Theater

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$5,132**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Miller Theatre Advisory Board

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$7,364**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Museum of Fine Arts, Houston

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$10,265**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Education **\$1,830**

To support art and art history workshops for teachers in the Houston metropolitan area.

Arts Respond Health & Human Services **\$1,220**

To support Looking Together, a free monthly gallery program expanding to include some artmaking opportunities for people with Alzheimer's disease or dementia and their family members or care partners.

Arts Respond Public Safety & Criminal Justice **\$1,127**
To support free summer art camps at Houston area public libraries.

Music Doing Good

Arts Respond Public Safety & Criminal Justice **\$1,525**
To support the costs of an after school program in three Title 1 schools teaching students about poetry and hip hop in workshops and master classes, culminating in a performance at the end of the school year.

Musiqua

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$5,579**
To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Education **\$1,830**
To support in-school music workshops for K-12th grade students in Houston, culminating in a student performance.

Obmons Educational Stage Plays

Arts Respond Education **\$915**
To support theater arts workshops for underserved K-12th grade students in the Houston metropolitan area.

Opera Vista

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$915**
To support a full production of Osvaldo Golijov's "Ainadamar" about the life and death of Spanish playwright and poet Federico Garcia Lorca, aimed at Houston area audiences and visitors.

Arts Respond Public Safety & Criminal Justice **\$915**
To support a production of "Voir Dire," a courtroom opera that forces the audience to confront their assumptions and prejudices about people who commit crimes and the reality of their lives.

Project Row House

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$6,918**
To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Reagan Lukefahr

Commission Initiative- Young Masters FY2013 **\$2,500**
To support the costs for Texas Young Master Reagan Lukefahr from Houston to pursue advanced arts training in theater.

Rice Design Alliance/Rice University

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$5,132**
To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Ridgemont Elementary/Fort Bend ISD

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$448**

Artistic fee subsidy for Carranza Puppets to perform in Houston on May 10, 2013. Ridgemont Elementary School is 87% Title 1.

River Oaks Chamber Orchestra

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$3,793**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Russian Cultural Center-Our Texas

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$3,793**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$1,220**

To support the 19th annual traditional song festival featuring Russian-style camping along with writing and performance of songs by average people in the Soviet Union.

Arts Respond Natural Resources & Agriculture **\$845**

To support the spring Club of Amateur Song, a Russian singing and camping tradition that features guest artists from Russia and takes place in a rural Texas county.

Sanskriti

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$2,678**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Society for the Performing Arts

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$8,256**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Southwest Alternate Media Project

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$3,793**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Stages Repertory Theatre

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$5,579**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Texas Accountants and Lawyers for the Arts

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$4,240**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Texas Coalition for Quality Arts Education

Commission Initiative- Arts Education Days 2013 \$2,000

Support to conduct Arts Education Day at the Capitol in Austin, March 4-5, 2013. This activity is funded by License Plate funds.

Theatre Under the Stars

Arts Create - Year 2 \$10,265

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Economic Development \$2,253

To support two musical productions, "A Chorus Line" and "High School Musical" at Miller Outdoor Theatre that will attract visitors and residents and generate income for artists, technicians, and local businesses.

Arts Respond Education \$1,220

To support a series of in-school theater workshops on technical theater, choreography, acting, and voice for K-12th grade students in the Houston area.

Arts Respond Health & Human Services \$2,817

To support providing quality, customized, accessible summer camp opportunities to Houston area children living with disabilities.

Arts Respond Public Safety & Criminal Justice \$2,440

To support providing free after-school musical theatre instruction to at-risk youth through the Community Family Centers in the East End of Houston.

UH/Arte Publico Press

Arts Respond Health & Human Services \$2,535

To support the distribution, through community health workers, of free illustrated books aimed at combatting childhood obesity and diabetes among low-income Hispanic children in Houston, San Antonio, and south Texas.

UH/Cynthia Woods Mitchell Center for the Arts

Arts Respond Performance Support \$6,000

Artistic fee subsidy for Sebba Sarwar to perform in Houston, September 1-May 1, 2013. The University of Houston Mitchell Center will host Ms. Sarwar for Borderlines: a two-year creative development residency and a series of public events in Houston. Borderlines will focus on local, historical, and imagined borders between neighborhoods, races, and nations, with particular emphasis on Houston's Freedman Town/Fourth Ward neighborhood.

UH/Texas Music Festival

Arts Create - Year 2 \$3,347

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

University of Houston/ Blaffer Gallery

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$5,132**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Voices Breaking Boundaries

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$5,579**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Education **\$1,830**

To support teacher workshops and writing, performance, video art, and blogging classes for underserved students in Houston area schools.

Arts Respond Health & Human Services **\$915**

To support providing Writing for Self-Discovery workshops for Houston ISD teachers, to help them serve students who are dealing with emotional struggles, including those in refugee situations.

Number of Awards: 95

Award Total: \$364,975