

Senator John Whitmire

Texas Senate District: 15



Arts and Cultural Grants

Listed by Texas Senate District

Fiscal Year 2016

Art League of Houston

Arts Create **\$10,500**

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

Arts Respond Project **\$4,000**

To support costs associated with convening "charge," a gathering that will bring together a diverse network of local, regional and national artists, curators, researchers, educators and advocates to engage in conversation regarding how the arts can make real change in their communities.

Carter Academy/Aldine ISD

Performance Support **\$1,000**

Artistic fee subsidy for the Houston Grand Opera's Opera to Go! and Storybook Opera to give a total of eight performances in Houston, December 16, 2015-March 4, 2016. 25% or more of the audiences expected to be served live below the poverty line and are at-risk youth.

Childrens Prison Arts Project

Arts Respond Project **\$4,200**

To support workshops titled "Act Healthy to Stay Healthy," which use improvisational theater to allow girls at the Harris County Juvenile Detention Center to express their experiences and reduce risky behavior around teenage sex and pregnancy.

Arts Respond Project **\$5,500**

To support Art Behind Walls, a workshop-based intervention program in which instructors teach art skills and mentor juveniles at the Burnett-Bayland Rehabilitation Center in southwest Houston.

City Ballet of Houston

Arts Create **\$4,500**

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

Classical Theatre Company

Arts Create **\$5,500**
To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Contemporary Arts Museum Houston

Arts Create **\$13,500**
To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Project **\$2,000**
To support educational museum tours and workshops for K-12th grade students in Houston.

Arts Respond Project **\$2,550**
To support an exhibition of work by Houston artist Thedra Cullar-Ledford exploring the emotional and physical processes she experienced as a breast cancer survivor.

Da Camera of Houston

Arts Create **\$13,500**
To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Project **\$4,000**
To support Music Encounters, a series of TEKS-related music activities for Houston-area elementary and high school students.

Arts Respond Project **\$4,000**
To support 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.

Arts Respond Project **\$2,550**
To support a series of educational jazz and percussion workshops and performances for at-risk youth in the Boys and Girls Harbor at Morgan's Point, south of Houston.

Cultural District Project **\$50,000**
To support an innovative concert series consisting of two world premieres and three Houston exclusives (Sarah Rothenberg: The Marcel Proust Project; The Colorado: A Film Oratorio; La Passion de Jeanne D'Arc; Passion for Bach and Coltrane; SFJAZZ Collective) that incorporate film, literature, and visual arts along with music to attract visitors to the Houston Theater District.

DiverseWorks

Arts Create **\$5,500**
To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Project **\$1,000**
To support marketing and audience development initiatives related to DiverseWorks' relocation to the Midtown Arts and Theater Center Houston in December 2015.

Arts Respond Project **\$3,500**
To support a variety of public programs and performances in Houston related to an exhibition by Los Angeles artist Katie Grinnan that explores thought patterns based on EEG readings, sleep, dreams, and neuroscience.

Express Children's Theatre

Arts Create **\$2,500**

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

Arts Respond Project **\$2,550**

To support the Children's Hilltop Festival at Miller Outdoor Theatre, where four different family-friendly plays are presented free of charge while generating income for artists and businesses.

Arts Respond Project **\$1,700**

To support afterschool educational programming in Title 1 schools in Spring Branch and Houston ISDs.

Foundation for Modern Music

Arts Respond Project **\$3,000**

To support Salsa y Salud, a salsa dance event put on in partnership with health care organizations to promote physical fitness and health in Houston.

Garden Oaks Elementary/Houston ISD

Performance Support **\$1,316**

Artistic fee subsidy for Houston Boychoir staff to conduct a music instruction residency in Houston, September 1-October 22, 2015. They will teach two classes per week. 25% or more of the audiences expected to be served live below the poverty line and/or

Glassell School of Art/MFAH

Arts Create **\$11,500**

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

Glasstire

Arts Create **\$4,500**

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

Arts Respond Project **\$850**

To support a talk with artist William Wegman at Rice University that will be open to readers of Glasstire and targeted Houston area high school students; the talk will subsequently be broadcast on Glasstire's Youtube channel, furthering its reach.

Harvard Elementary PTA

Performance Support **\$600**

Artistic fee subsidy for Main Street Theater to perform in Houston on February 19, 2016. 25% or more of the audiences expected to be served live below the poverty line.

Heartbeat Performing Arts Charities

Arts Respond Project **\$1,000**

To support an afterschool dance academy for low income youth in Houston.

Hits Theatre (dba)

Arts Create \$4,500
To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Houston Arts Alliance

Arts Create \$4,500
To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.



Subgranting \$30,500
To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in subgranting for arts activities conducted by organizations within the community served by the subgranter.

Houston Center for Photography

Arts Create \$9,500
To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Project \$850
To support the Master Class program for intermediate to advanced photographers who want to improve their skills by learning from leading experts; this program attracts students from Houston and across the state, and instructors from across the nation.

Arts Respond Project \$2,908
To support Picture This!, an education outreach program in photography for children at the Texas Children's Hospital in the dialysis unit, bone marrow transplant unit, and the cancer and hematology centers in Houston and Katy.

Arts Respond Project \$3,500
To support Bound to Change, a group photographic exhibition featuring work from eleven artists who portray the transformation of the earth through various photographic processes and perspectives.

Arts Respond Project \$2,000
To support Collaborations, a program that connects twenty Houston-area high school students through photography instruction and culminates in a professionally-mounted exhibition.

Designated Funding- Texas Women for the Arts \$7,500
Support for the expansion of the Picture This! outreach program working with at-risk youth in a variety of medical, after-school, and community settings to inspire and educate through art and photography.

Houston Children's Chorus

Arts Create \$9,500
To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Project \$2,125
To support a week-long residency that pairs the members of the Children's Chorus with underserved youth in Galveston for choral workshops.



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

Houston Cinema Arts Society	
Arts Create	\$6,500
<i>To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.</i>	
Houston International Dance Coalition	
Arts Create	\$8,500
<i>To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.</i>	
Inprint	
Arts Create	\$12,500
<i>To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.</i>	
Interactive Theater Company	
Arts Create	\$4,500
<i>To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.</i>	
Lawndale Art Center	
Arts Create	\$9,500
<i>To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.</i>	
Arts Respond Project	\$2,125
<i>To support costs associated with mounting "The Big Show," a juried exhibition of artists from Houston and the surrounding region that provides cash prizes for winners and an exhibit that draws local and regional audiences.</i>	
Margaret Errickson	
Commission Initiative- Young Masters FY2016	\$5,000
<i>Support for the costs of advanced arts training and other expenses for this Texas Young Master (first year of two).</i>	
Menil Foundation	
Arts Create	\$18,500
<i>To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.</i>	
Mercury Houston	
Arts Create	\$8,500
<i>To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.</i>	
Arts Respond Project	\$3,769
<i>To support marketing and artistic costs associated with presenting Bach's Complete Orchestral Suite during the Houston Early Music Festival, which will attract local, state and international audiences to the city.</i>	
Arts Respond Project	\$3,400
<i>To support educational, in-school chamber orchestra performances for at-risk K-12th grade students in the Houston metropolitan area.</i>	

Arts Respond Project **\$850**

To support providing free chamber music performances at Houston Methodist Hospital in the common areas and in the hospital rooms of terminally ill and bedridden patients.

Arts Respond Project **\$3,500**

To support afterschool chamber music ensembles for at-risk youth who attend YES Prep Public Schools in Houston.

Museum of Fine Arts, Houston

Arts Create **\$19,500**

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

Arts Respond Project **\$6,500**

To support the Art for the Mind and Spirit program at the Texas Children's Hospital, Texas Children's Cancer & Hematology Centers, the Ronald McDonald House and Shriners Hospital for Children.

Arts Respond Project **\$4,500**

To support Glassell-on-the-Go, a pilot program offering afterschool mobile art classes at two underserved schools in the Houston metropolitan area, culminating in a student exhibit at the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston.

Cultural District Project **\$100,000**

To support "Sculpted in Steel," an exhibition of automobiles and motorcycles from 1929-1940 that exemplify the classic elegance, luxurious materials, and iconography of motion that characterized the Art Deco style, which will attract visitors to the Houston Museum District.

Music Doing Good

Arts Create **\$6,500**

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

Arts Respond Project **\$1,000**

To support an afterschool music and theater program that will teach students of Houston Title 1 schools about Broadway music, culminating in a performance at the end of the school year.

Musiqqa

Arts Create **\$9,500**

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

Arts Respond Project **\$4,000**

To support musical training and development for high school students in Houston.

Performance Support **\$1,500**

Artistic fee subsidy for SOLI Chamber Ensemble to perform in Houston on October 10, 2015. SOLI's performance will include a world premiere by Carl Schimmel, as well as works by Musiqqa composers Brandt, Al-Zand, Jalbert and Maroney.

Opera in the Heights

Arts Create **\$4,500**

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

Piping Rock Singers

Arts Respond Project **\$1,000**

To support marketing and artistic costs associated with presenting a Madrigal Dinner/ Comedie Musicale as a part the Houston Early Music Festival which will attract local, state and international audiences to the city.

Positive Project

Arts Respond Project **\$850**

To support a production of a new play which will involve at-risk Houston area youth in performance and production roles.

Psophonia Dance Company

Performance Support **\$1,356**

Artistic fee subsidy for Chaski to perform as part of a dance performance in Houston on November 19-21, 2015.

River Oaks Chamber Orchestra

Arts Create **\$10,500**

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

Arts Respond Project **\$850**

To support the creation of a large scale mural portraying musicians playing in front of the Houston skyline with a goal of promoting cultural tourism through public art.

Arts Respond Project **\$3,500**

To support ROCO Anytime, Anywhere, a music education and community outreach program that provides the live streaming of concerts to facilities such as retirement homes, hospitals, and hospice care centers in Houston and beyond.

Arts Respond Project **\$3,000**

To support a collaborative performance with Interactive Theater Company of "Peter and the Wolf" at the Houston Zoo, as part of the zoo's efforts to promote wolf conservation.

Rothko Chapel

Arts Create **\$10,500**

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Several Dancers Core

Arts Create **\$3,500**

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

Arts Respond Project **\$5,000**

To support the production, artistic, and marketing costs associated with the production of "Life Interrupted: Honor the Innocent," which explores the incarceration of US citizens during World War II.

Arts Respond Project **\$3,500**

To support the Dynamic X-Change Healing Arts Program, which provides expressive movement workshops for children at the Houston Area Women's Center in Houston.

Sheldon Early Childhood Academy/Sheldon ISD

Performance Support **\$398**

Artistic fee subsidy for Carranza Puppets to perform in Houston on May 19, 2016. 25% or more of the audiences expected to be served live below the poverty line.

Southwest Alternate Media Project

Arts Create **\$8,500**

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

Stages Repertory Theatre

Arts Create **\$6,500**

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

Stevens Elementary/Houston ISD

Performance Support **\$248**

Artistic fee subsidy for Houston Grand Opera's Opera to Go! to perform in Houston on December 9, 2015. 25% or more of the audiences expected to be served live below the poverty line, are at-risk youth, and/or have limited English proficiency.

Performance Support **\$248**

Artistic fee subsidy for Houston Grand Opera's Opera to Go! to perform in Houston on April 15, 2016. 25% or more of the audiences expected to be served live below the poverty line and/or are at-risk youth.

Performance Support **\$608**

Artistic fee subsidy for Main Street Theater to perform in Houston on February 24, 2016. 25% or more of the audiences expected to be served are at-risk youth who live below the poverty line.

Uptown Dance Company

Arts Create **\$3,500**

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

Voices Breaking Boundaries

Arts Create **\$7,500**

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

Arts Respond Project **\$1,063**

To support educational writing and language arts workshops for K-8th grade students in Wharton.

Writers In The Schools

Arts Create **\$16,500**

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

Arts Respond Project **\$4,500**

To support WITS Performance workshops, which increase student participation in school-based poetry slams and send winners to compete in the Grand Slam at Discovery Green Park in downtown Houston.

Arts Respond Project **\$4,675**

To support interactive writing workshops, based on museum visits, for Houston area Title 1 students.

Arts Respond Project **\$2,975**

To support Writing to Heal, a program of creative writing classes for young patients at the MD Anderson Children's Cancer Hospital in Houston.

Arts Respond Project **\$6,500**

To support the Environmental Writing Project, which brings at-risk students to a local park or natural habitat in Houston and has them work with writers and a naturalist to create nature writing.

Number of Awards: 87

Award Total: \$596,114