

Representative Gina Hinojosa

Texas House District: 49



Arts and Cultural Grants

Listed by Texas House District

Fiscal Year 2025

Art Spark Texas

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$12,000**

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

Arts Respond Health & Human Services **\$6,000**

To support the premiere of 'Waiting for the Bus,' a group-devised play exploring the disability rights movement through the perspective of people with disabilities and performed by actors with disabilities, in Austin.

Arts Respond Natural Resources & Agriculture **\$8,000**

To support Tree Tales, an interdisciplinary program that engages high-needs students in Austin Independent School District in the research and creation of a performance about the lifecycle of Texas trees.

Commission Initiative - POL **\$25,000**

Art Spark Texas will administer the financial portion of the Texas Poetry Out Loud program for the Texas Commission on the Arts. The National Endowment for the Arts provides this \$25,000 to the state. TCA will retain oversight of expenditures.

Austin Book Arts Center

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$8,000**

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

Austin Chamber Music Center

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$15,000**

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

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$7,500**

To support the annual Austin Chamber Music Festival, attracting visitors and residents to concerts, open rehearsals, master classes, lectures, and other events featuring acclaimed musicians.

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

To support instructional chamber music residencies in Austin-area middle and high schools that culminate in concert performances at the end of each semester.

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$3,000**
Artistic fee subsidy for WindSync to perform at eight elementary schools in Austin, 10/15/24 - 10/18/24.

Austin Civic Orchestra

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$3,000**
To support the Anime Music concerts in Austin's Zilker Park, a two-evening event of free music drawing community members and visitors to the public park's theater.

Arts Respond Education **\$3,240**
To support Link Up, a collaborative concert with the Austin Civic Orchestra and Austin Independent School District students in grades 3-5.

Austin Classical Guitar Society

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$16,000**
To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Education **\$6,000**
To support classroom-based guitar education programs for Central Texas students.

Arts Respond Public Safety & Criminal Justice **\$8,000**
To support classical guitar classes for incarcerated and court-involved youth in Dallas, Travis, and Williamson counties.

Austin Lyric Opera

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$18,000**
To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$7,000**
To support the presentation of Puccini's 'Madame Butterfly' at the Long Center in Austin, to attract and engage audiences.

Arts Respond Education **\$5,500**
To support Opera Treasure Chest, an art-based program offering a curriculum and live on-campus opera performances.

Austin Playhouse

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$11,000**
To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Education **\$5,500**
To support free performances of Tomas and the Library Lady by Jose Cruz Gonzalez for Austin-area Title I elementary school students.

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$750**
Artistic fee subsidy for Bernadette Nason to perform at Austin Playhouse West Campus in Austin, 12/16/24 - 12/18/24.

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$300**

Artistic fee subsidy for Bernadette Nason to lead two storytelling workshops at Austin Playhouse in Austin, 06/17/25 - 07/29/25.

Austin Scottish Rite Community and Childrens Theater

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$9,000**

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

Austin Symphony Orchestra Society

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$10,000**

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

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

To support the Young People's Concert Series, consisting of multimedia events for fourth and fifth graders in Austin Independent School District, at the Long Center for the Performing Arts.

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$3,300**

Artistic fee subsidy for Mariachi Las Alteñas to perform at the Long Center for the Performing Arts in Austin, 03/03/25 - 03/05/25.

Austin Theatre Alliance

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$16,000**

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

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$5,000**

To support the 2025 Summer Classic Film Series, which features over 100 films and attracts audiences to downtown Austin.

Arts Respond Education **\$6,000**

To support Story Wranglers, a residency that uses innovative arts-integrated teaching techniques and performances to help students in the Austin area connect to the writing process.

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$6,000**

Artistic fee subsidy for Ruthie Foster to perform at the Paramount Theatre in Austin, 11/23/24 - 11/23/24.

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$1,400**

Artistic fee subsidy for Del Castillo to perform at the Paramount Theatre in Austin, 02/22/25 - 02/22/25.

Ballet Austin

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$20,000**

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

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

To support EduMoves, a movement program that introduces preK-2nd grade students at Title I schools in Austin to dance, supports their academic growth, and helps them build life skills.

Arts Respond Health & Human Services **\$1,265**

To support For the Joy of It, which delivers dance classes to older adults, parents, and children that encourage health, communal connection, and artistic expression through dance, in Austin.

Beat 4 Beat (dba)

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$8,000**

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

Arts Respond Health & Human Services **\$4,500**

To support music education and performance opportunities at McBeth Recreation Center for students with disabilities, fostering confidence, social skills, and creative expression through tailored classes and mentorship, in Austin.

Arts Respond Public Safety & Criminal Justice **\$3,000**

To support in-person and virtual music lessons and rock band classes for at-risk youth, in Austin.

Black Fret

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$13,000**

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

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$3,000**

To support the Love Your Music Fest and the Sonic Guild Ball, two Austin events designed to promote local music to national and international audiences.

Cine Las Americas

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$11,000**

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

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$5,500**

To support the annual Cine Las Americas International Film Festival and associated programs, aimed at attracting residents and visitors to Austin.

City of Sunset Valley

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$1,250**

Artistic fee subsidy for Joe McDermott to perform at the Toney Burger Complex in Sunset Valley, 04/26/25 - 04/26/25.

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$1,800**

Artistic fee subsidy for The Bike Zoo to perform at the Toney Burger Complex in Sunset Valley, 04/26/25 - 04/26/25.

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$1,250**

Artistic fee subsidy for Mr. Will/Will and The Wilderness to perform at the Toney Burger Complex in Sunset Valley, 04/26/25 - 04/26/25.

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$2,400**

Artistic fee subsidy for State Artist Dale Watson to perform at the Toney Burger Complex in Sunset Valley, 04/26/25 - 04/26/25.

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$2,025**

Artistic fee subsidy for Del Castillo to perform at the Toney Burger Complex in Sunset Valley, 04/26/25 - 04/26/25.

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$1,500**

Artistic fee subsidy for South Austin Moonlighters to perform at the Toney Burger Complex in Sunset Valley, 04/26/25 - 04/26/25.

Dorinda Pillow Elementary/Austin ISD

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$325**

Artistic fee subsidy for Bernadette Nason to perform at Dorinda Pillow Elementary in Austin, 10/24/24 - 10/24/24.

Gilbert & Sullivan Society/Austin

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$8,000**

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

Great Promise for American Indians

Arts Respond Public Safety & Criminal Justice **\$4,500**

To support developing Native American and Indigenous Cultures and Community: Past, Present, and Future, which will include a district-wide cultural arts performance and related information for Austin Independent School District students.

Humanities Texas

Commission Initiative - Art Exhibition Support **\$25,000**

To support the preparation of two touring exhibitions, Stuart and Scott Gentling's Birds of Texas and The Life and Literature of J. Frank Dobie.

Hyde Park Theatre

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$8,000**

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

Hyperreal Film Club

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$3,000**

To support weekly film screening events, showcasing local filmmakers and curated films from around the world, to attract film-going audiences in Austin.

Arts Respond Natural Resources & Agriculture **\$3,200**

To support Wild Blue Yonder, a free, weekly series of environmentally-focused films and guest scientist lectures offered to audiences in Austin.

Imagine Art

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$10,000**

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

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$3,000**

To support the development and preparation of Imagine Art's Live and Make Gallery exhibition program at its newly completed facility in East Austin, serving artists with disabilities.

Arts Respond Health & Human Services **\$4,500**

To support Random Acts of Beauty, a creative placemaking project at an affordable housing complex in Austin, consisting of training and opportunities for artists with disabilities to facilitate community art installations, activities, and events.

Impact Arts

Arts Respond Health & Human Services **\$6,500**

To support the Accessibility Services Initiative, which provides audio-described, sign language-interpreted, and sensory-friendly services to ensure access to Impact Arts' summer performances, in Austin.

Ishida Dance Company

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$7,000**

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

La Pena

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$8,000**

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

Arts Respond Health & Human Services **\$4,500**

To support a photography exhibit commemorating and celebrating United States Marines, with accompanying art therapy and suicide prevention services for veterans across Texas, at the Texas State Capitol in Austin.

Mexic-Arte Museum

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$9,000**

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

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$5,500**

To support the annual Viva la Vida Festival, which consists of festival activities and a parade that celebrates Dia de los Muertos traditions from pre-Columbian times to Austin today, driving cultural tourism and increasing access to the arts.

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$2,400**

Artistic fee subsidy for The Bike Zoo to perform in downtown Austin, 10/26/24 - 10/26/24.

Arts Respond Public Safety & Criminal Justice **\$5,000**

To support arts summer camps and museum tours for Austin Parks and Recreation Center program participants, including at-risk youth and their families.

MindPOP

Arts Respond Education **\$6,000**

To support the Dance Across Austin Artist-In-Residency program, which improves integrated dance instruction in all Austin Independent School District physical education, music, and visual art classes.

Polari

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$3,000**

To support programming connected to the Prism Film Festival, which covers costs for submissions, screenings, travel, mentorships, and more for new and underrepresented filmmakers, in Austin.

Arts Respond Health & Human Services **\$4,500**

To support the aGLIFF film festival, which celebrates and amplifies a variety of voices through carefully curated films, filmmaker mentorship, and community-building events, to foster inclusivity, education, and emotional well-being, in Austin.

Red River Cultural District

Cultural District Project - High Quality Arts Programming **\$30,000**

To support Hot Summer Nights, a free three-day community-based music, arts, and food festival hosted by live music venues and small businesses in the Red River Cultural District.

St. Austin Catholic School

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$375**

Artistic fee subsidy for Bernadette Nason to perform at St. Austin Catholic School in Austin, 10/08/24 - 10/08/24.

Texans for the Arts Foundation

Commission Initiative - Arts Advocacy Day **\$4,800**

Support to conduct Arts Advocacy Day in Austin, February 5, 2025. TCA funds will support artist fees, photography, videography and associated costs.

Texas Comedies

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$5,000**

To support performances of 'The Feud,' a historical musical production, to be performed for audiences in Uvalde and Lewisville in conjunction with the Lewisville Western Days Festival.

Texas Early Music Project

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$11,000**

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

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$4,500**

To support Alegria: The Spanish Renaissance, a concert of rarely-performed 16th-century Spanish repertoire, for Austin area audiences and visitors.

Texas State History Museum/State Preservation Board

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$1,406**

Artistic fee subsidy for Great Promise for American Indians to perform at the Bullock Museum in Austin, 09/27/24 - 09/27/24.

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$1,250**

Artistic fee subsidy for Luke Bulla to perform at the Bullock Museum Capitol Mall Amphitheater in Austin, 06/06/25 - 06/06/25.

The Contemporary Austin (formerly AMOA-Arthouse)

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$500**

Artistic fee subsidy for Montopolis to perform at the Contemporary Austin Laguna Gloria in Austin, 11/21/24 - 11/21/24.

Torch Literary Arts

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$4,500**

To support the annual Torch Retreat, a gathering for Black women writers culminating in a public performance that will draw readers and audiences to Austin.

Umlauf Sculpture Garden and Museum

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$8,000**

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

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$3,500**

To support StrawFest, a community-wide annual festival including local artists, art-making and educational activities, community partners, and carnival-themed games and entertainment to appeal to Austin-based families and visitors.

Arts Respond Public Safety & Criminal Justice **\$4,500**

To support Shaping Space, an after-school arts education program for K-6th graders at Title I schools and communities in Austin.

UT Austin/Blanton Museum

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$12,000**

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

Arts Respond Education **\$7,500**

To support K-12 arts education for students in Austin and the surrounding areas through in-person activities and digital resources.

UT Austin/Texas Performing Arts

Arts Respond Education **\$7,500**

To support the Fifth Grade Musical Theatre Experience program, an initiative that provides each Austin Independent School District 5th grader with access to live musical theater and an accompanying standards-based arts curriculum.

Zachary Scott Theatre Center

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$17,000**

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

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

To support the Family and School Theatre Series, providing Austin K-5th grade students and Title I elementary schools with three educational theater productions.

Arts Respond Health & Human Services

\$5,000

To support an accessibility assessment, including an analysis of the Theatre's physical spaces in Austin, and training for staff to help recognize more opportunities for greater patron accessibility.

Number of Awards: 86

Award Total: \$585,236