

Representative Venton Jones

Texas House District: 100



Arts and Cultural Grants

Listed by Texas House District

Fiscal Year 2026

African American Museum (dba)

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 **\$5,000**

To support the creation of a group toolkit in coordination with the Official Nelson Mandela Exhibition, which will provide group-visit planning resources that will attract visitors to Dallas and contribute to the local economy.

Cultural District Project - Enhancements to the District **\$149,500**

To support efforts in future exhibition development to increase access for children and adults with disabilities, and the replacement of gallery furniture, in Dallas's Fair Park Cultural District.

Avant Chamber Ballet

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

To support interactive movement classes with performances by professional dancers for pre-K through 5th grade students in Dallas Independent School District.

Beckles Dancing Company (dba)

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

To support the South Dallas Dance Festival, featuring two days of programming designed to engage, inspire, and connect artists and audiences.

Big Thought

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$22,000**

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

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

To support One Door: All Access, in-school arts experiences with professional artists for 7th graders in Dallas Independent School District to deepen academic learning, creativity, and access to arts education.

Broadway Dallas

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$23,000**

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

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

To support a standards-aligned matinee performance of the groundbreaking Broadway touring production of 'The Wiz,' and related classroom activities, serving Dallas-area high school students.

Cultural District Project - Signage and Wayfinding **\$131,886**

To support the installation of new signage around the Music Hall in Dallas's Fair Park Cultural District, to improve wayfinding, boost cultural tourism, and enhance the visitor experience.

Bruce Wood Dance Company

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

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

Arts Respond Health & Human Services **\$3,500**

To support therapeutic dance movement classes in Dallas shelters, recovery centers, and senior citizen facilities that support the well-being of youths, adults, and seniors.

Cultural District Project - High Quality Arts Programming **\$12,750**

To support Ignite, a series of dance performances and corresponding engagement activities in the Dallas Arts District that will generate cultural tourism and boost the district's economic impact.

Cara Mia Theatre

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 **\$4,000**

To support ActivARTE Teaching Artistry Labs, a professional development program that trains local teaching artists to design curriculum, facilitate student-driven classroom learning, and integrate technology in arts education.

Arts Respond Public Safety & Criminal Justice **\$4,000**

To support the School of YES, a multidisciplinary arts and leadership program for at-risk students in South Dallas.

Cultural District Project - High Quality Arts Programming **\$37,500**

To support the annual International Latinidades Theatre Festival and the Latinidades Arts Symposium in the Deep Ellum Cultural District in Dallas.

Cedars Union

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

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

Dallas Film Society

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

To support the DIFF Shorts Film Festival, a three-day showcase of short films featuring screenings and talkbacks with local, regional, national, and international filmmakers.

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

To support a series of films and related programming that enhance understanding of health-related topics, at the Dallas International Film Festival.

Dallas Wind Symphony

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

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

Commission Initiative - America 250 **\$1,776**

To support activities in this Texas Congressional district that commemorate and celebrate the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

Cultural District Project - High Quality Arts Programming **\$17,000**

To support the Invitational Windband Festival, a three-day competition for middle and high school bands to be held at the Meyerson Symphony Center in the Dallas Arts District.

Fine Arts Chamber Players

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

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

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$4,000**

To support the Basically Beethoven Festival, to attract audiences to the Dallas Arts District from across Texas and surrounding states.

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

To support music residencies that bring professional teaching artists into Dallas schools with limited access to music education for free individual and group lessons in violin, voice, and piano.

Greater Dallas Youth Orchestras

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$18,000**

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

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

To support an orchestra and band capacity-building program for middle and high schools across the Dallas and Irving Independent School Districts.

Cultural District Project - High Quality Arts Programming **\$49,500**

To support Orchestral Observations, a free professional development series that will accompany concerts and draw educators and students to the Dallas Arts District.

Kitchen Dog Theater

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

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

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

To support Dallas Playwriting Arts Collective programming, which provides free, multisession playwriting workshops at Dallas Independent School District high schools and student performance opportunities.

Arts Respond Health & Human Services **\$5,500**

To support a program that guides adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities in the creation, rehearsal, and performance of an original musical play, in West Dallas.

Lone Star Wind Orchestra (dba)

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

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

Arts Respond Public Safety & Criminal Justice **\$3,875**

To support the programming and expansion of after-school and summer camp drum programs exploring the African Diaspora, for economically disadvantaged youth in South Dallas.

Cultural District Project - High Quality Arts Programming **\$13,000**

To support the 20th Season Celebration Performance, a concert featuring multiple world premieres that will draw audiences to the Meyerson Symphony Center in the Dallas Arts District.

Lumedia Musicworks

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

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

New Texas Symphony Orchestra

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 **\$1,285**

To support a program that brings string quartet performances to residents of the Villages of Dallas, a senior living facility.

Ochre House Theater (dba)

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

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

Cultural District Project - High Quality Arts Programming **\$13,000**

To support a collaboration with the Flame Foundation to present a play that features the music and dance of flamenco in Dallas's Fair Park Cultural District.

Pegasus Contemporary Ballet

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

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 Synergy production, featuring commissioned dance pieces, diverse choreography, and local live music, attracting audiences to the Moody Performance Hall in the Dallas Arts District.

Sammons Center for the Arts

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$18,000**

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

Arts Respond Public Safety & Criminal Justice **\$2,500**

To support the Jazz Youth Outreach Concert Project, a series of outreach concerts for at-risk youth from underserved areas in Dallas.

Turtle Creek Chorale

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

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

Cultural District Project - High Quality Arts Programming **\$11,000**

To support a holiday concert promoting a season of peace, understanding, love, family, and friendship that will draw audiences to the Dallas Arts District.

Urban Arts Collective

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

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

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

To support Urban Art's Star Power, a performing arts program for youth ages 6-16 that builds confidence and creativity through dance, music, and theater, in Dallas.

Verdigris Ensemble

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

To support a residency serving 6th-12th grade vocal performance students through rehearsals, performances, and free private music lessons at their Dallas schools.

Arts Respond Health & Human Services **\$4,000**

To support the commission and performance of Symphony of the Soul, a new musical composition by Richard Romaneiro exploring collective healing through music and sound, visual arts, and healing arts, in Dallas.

Voices of Change

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

To support a season finale concert celebrating living and Texas-affiliated composers, providing professional opportunities for emerging and established musicians and drawing new audiences to Dallas.

Women's Chorus of Dallas

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

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

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$4,000**

To support Raise Your Voice, a joyful, high-energy concert celebrating trailblazers who dared to be heard with iconic songs, bold vocals, and uplifting performances, to attract audiences to Dallas.

Arts Respond Health & Human Services**\$4,000**

To support Wintering: A December Concert, which includes a series of excerpted performances at Dallas-area social service agencies and nonprofits.

Number of Awards: 54**Award Total: \$832,072**