

Representative Ann Johnson

Texas House District: 134



Arts and Cultural Grants

Listed by Texas House District

Fiscal Year 2026

Ars Lyrica Houston

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 **\$5,500**

To support performances of the bilingual assembly program 'Orígenes: voice and percussion through the ages' for Houston-area elementary schools, as well as Musical Detectives, a virtual learning program.

Bach Society Houston

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

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

Brave Little Company

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

To support In Voices for Health, which combines live performance, arts education, and health education to teach Houston refugee communities about health care topics, build community, and encourage self-determination with Forum Theatre practices.

Chamber Music Houston

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

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

Contemporary Arts Museum Houston

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$21,000**

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

Da Camera of Houston

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

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

To support the Music Encounters program, which delivers arts-integrated core subject curriculum to K-12th grade classrooms in Houston Independent School District.

Arts Respond Public Safety & Criminal Justice **\$5,105**

To support a drumming residency for youth in the Juvenile Detention Center in downtown Houston.

Cultural District Project - High Quality Arts Programming **\$187,500**

To support Da Camera's Jazz Series, presenting renowned artists including Branford Marsalis, Pat Metheny, and Hiromi in the Houston Theater District.

Foundation for Modern Music

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 **\$4,000**

To support Salsa y Salud, a community-centered initiative that addresses obesity and other health challenges through public activities and instruction in popular Latin art forms, in Houston.

Glassell School of Art/MFAH

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$21,000**

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

Hope Stone

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 **\$4,000**

To support the Hope Project, a program offering professionally-taught dance, music, and theater classes to preK-8th grade students in underserved Houston communities.

Designated Funding-Texas Women for the Arts **\$7,000**

To support arts education activities in Texas through this public-private partnership. These funds are pass-through grants designated by the Texas Women for the Arts, a philanthropic arm of the Texas Cultural Trust.

Houston Boychoir

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$14,000**

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

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

To support a music education program for elementary school students in underserved schools.

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

To support Houston Boychoir's choral program that helps reduce adolescent delinquency by engaging at-risk boys from Title I schools through music education, mentorship, and performance.

Houston Center for Contemporary Craft

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

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

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

To support Clutch City Craft, a group exhibition that celebrates the craft communities of Houston, to elevate the city as a destination for cultural tourists in maker communities around the country.

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

To support artist-led school tours for Houston-area K-12th students in conjunction with CraftTexas.

Cultural District Project - High Quality Arts Programming **\$14,250**

To support CraftTexas, an exhibition that celebrates Texas contemporary craft and craft artists which will increase tourism and related revenue while educating visitors, in the Houston Museum District.

Houston Center for Photography

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 **\$4,000**

To support trauma-informed, photography-based activities for youth, in partnership with community and health services organizations, using photography as a creative outlet for grief, recovery, empowerment, connection, and emotional well-being.

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

To support a yearlong photography program for justice-involved youth and adults in detention centers that promotes healing, expression, and skills through education.

Cultural District Project - High Quality Arts Programming **\$15,750**

To support providing high quality arts experiences through curated exhibition programming in the Houston Museum District, including works by international artists.

Houston Children's Chorus

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

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.

Houston Masterworks Chorus

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$2,120**

To support the Annual Young Singer Competition, which features local 10th-12th grade vocal students in the Houston area.

Houston Metropolitan Dance Company

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$14,000**

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

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

To support Dance Discovery, an education program for preK-1st grade students in Houston area schools.

Arts Respond Natural Resources & Agriculture **\$4,000**

To support Nature Stories, a series of collaborative dance performances that will draw community attention to the importance of water in sustainability efforts.

Houston Youth Symphony

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 the Melody and Coda Music program, bringing free, high-quality individual and small group music instruction to K-12th grade students in Title I schools.

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.

Indus Arts Council

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

To support The Rung Film Festival, featuring short films, narratives, and documentaries from Pakistani-American and South Asian filmmakers, fostering networking opportunities and dialogue while driving economic and tourism impact in Houston.

Inprint

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$19,000**

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

Institute of Hispanic Culture of Houston

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

To support Dia de la Hispanidad, a free, large-scale cultural celebration showcasing the music and dance traditions of Hispanic communities.

Jazz Houston

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

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

Designated Funding-Texas Women for the Arts **\$5,000**

To support arts education activities in Texas through this public-private partnership. These funds are pass-through grants designated by the Texas Women for the Arts, a philanthropic arm of the Texas Cultural Trust.

Kinetic Ensemble

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

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

Lawndale Art 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 Economic Development **\$4,500**

To support 'Perhaps Just a Trick of the Light,' a solo exhibition of resident studio artist JR Roykovich, in conjunction with the Houston debut of the Untitled Art Fair.

Cultural District Project - High Quality Arts Programming **\$19,500**

To support the creation and exhibition of new artwork by Texas artists, to be featured in the Midtown Houston Cultural District.

Main Street Theater

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$21,000**

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

Menil Foundation

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

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

Cultural District Project - High Quality Arts Programming **\$137,500**

To support the exhibition of 'Robert Rauschenberg: Fabric Works of the 1970s' in the Houston Museum District.

Mercury Chamber Orchestra

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 **\$5,000**

To support marketing efforts for the world premiere of 'Bolero Querido,' a theatrical musical work created by Antoine Plante and Denis Plante, at various venues in the Houston area.

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

To support educational performances pairing scientists with composers, and residencies offering professional instruction to foster artistic growth, leadership, and collaboration, for students in Houston Independent School District.

Michele Brangwen Dance Ensemble

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

To support the premiere of 'Messiaen Jazz Dance,' a new work by Michele Brangwen in collaboration with GRAMMY Award-nominated composer Tim Hagans, driving cultural tourism to the Midtown Arts and Theater Center Houston.

Mildreds Umbrella Theater Company

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 **\$2,000**

To support a season expansion comprised of free, public staged readings that amplify new work, creating professional development opportunities for emerging directors and engaging Houston audiences and visitors.

Miller Theatre Advisory Board

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 **\$7,500**

To support 'El Grito,' celebrating Mexico's Independence Day with a night of performances featuring GRAMMY Award-nominated artist Lupita Infante and special guest Jackie Rivera, in Houston.

Arts Respond Health & Human Services **\$5,000**

To support the Star-Spangled Salute, A Fourth of July performance at Miller Outdoor Theatre in celebration of the nation's 250th birthday with fireworks and a special tribute honoring members of the U.S. military, in Houston.

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

Artistic fee subsidy for The Magik Theatre to perform at Miller Outdoor Theatre in Houston, 09/10/25 - 09/10/25.

Moody Center for the Arts/Rice Univ.

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 **\$56,875**

To support 'Imaging After Photography,' a group exhibition featuring contemporary artists exploring the relationship between artificial intelligence and photography, presented in tandem with the FotoFest biennial in the Houston Museum District.

Museum of Fine Arts, Houston

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$25,000**

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

Arts Respond Natural Resources & Agriculture **\$6,000**

To support Buddha-Nature: Collective Awakening in the Face of Climate Change, an exhibition and accompanying panel discussion that explores sustainability opportunities found at the intersection of Buddhist wisdom and contemporary art.

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$1,000**

Artistic fee subsidy for Montopolis to perform at Museum of Fine Arts, Houston in Houston, 10/26/25 - 10/26/25.

Arts Respond Public Safety & Criminal Justice **\$5,500**

To support a program to empower teens aged 15-18 to connect their passions with new skills and knowledge in a collective, non-traditional learning environment.

Cultural District Project - High Quality Arts Programming **\$250,000**

To support the exhibition 'Frida: The Making of an Icon,' featuring over 150 works devoted to Frida Kahlo's life and legacy, in the Houston Museum District.

Partnerschools

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

To support 'MOOOVMENT, Dance,' public workshops and performances for Houston elementary and middle-school students, where artists lead group dances and choreographed movement.

Periwinkle Foundation

Designated Funding - Arts & Health **\$75,000**

To support the Periwinkle Arts In Medicine program, providing art experiences to pediatric patients and their families while undergoing medical care at Texas Children's Cancer and Hematology Centers in Houston and McAllen.

Prelude Music Foundation

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 music classes and end-of-year concerts in early childhood education for students in the Houston Independent School District.

Arts Respond Health & Human Services **\$7,500**

To support music and movement classes for at-risk youth at Casa de Esperanza de Los Ninos and children served by Ronald McDonald House, in Houston.

Purple Songs Can Fly

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

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

River Oaks Chamber Orchestra

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

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 Musicians with a Mission, an artist-led initiative that serves senior patients in hospice care with live performances, in Houston.

Arts Respond Natural Resources & Agriculture **\$3,500**

To support ROCO on the Go, a program that provides publicly-available curated, nature-themed orchestral playlists to 100 public locations throughout Houston, including nature centers and parks.

Russian Cultural Center-Our Texas

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

To support Vibrant Circles: Houston's Community Canvas, a public art initiative with related programming that integrates local, original painting into existing murals in Houston's Museum District.

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

Artistic fee subsidy for Mercury Chamber Orchestra to perform at Russian Cultural Center - Our Texas in Houston, 11/14/25 - 01/16/26.

Social Movement Contemporary Dance Theater

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

To support Dance and Culture: A Lecture and Demonstration Series, a program for students at Meyerland Performing and Visual Arts Middle School exploring tap, jazz, modern, hip hop, and traditional Chinese dance, in Houston.

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

To support Dance Hunger Action, a festival of youth and professional performances dedicated to raising food donations and awareness about food insecurity in Houston.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church

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

Artistic fee subsidy for Blue Water Highway to perform at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Houston, 09/11/25 - 09/11/25.

Stages (formerly Stages Repertory Theatre)

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

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

Writers In The Schools

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

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Number of Awards: 81

Award Total: \$1,422,302