

Senator Angela Paxton

Texas Senate District: 8



Arts and Cultural Grants

Listed by Texas Senate District

Fiscal Year 2026

Allen Philharmonic Symphony

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 **\$4,000**

To support the Annual Youth Concert, a performance and accompanying study guide for local 3rd and 4th grade students.

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.

Allens Community Theatre

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

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

Art & Drama Centre Theatre

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 **\$6,500**

To support a mobile, dramatic arts program that uses live, interactive storytelling to support preK-12th grade student learning in the Plano area.

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

To support the Criminal Justice Workforce Training Program, providing youth and adults with structured, hands-on learning through the practical production needs of a working theater, in Plano.

Ashley Elementary School PTA

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$747**

Artistic fee subsidy for Yuck Show to perform at Ashley Elementary School in Frisco, 09/05/25 - 09/05/25.

Beverly Cheatham Elementary PTA

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$797**

Artistic fee subsidy for Yuck Show to perform at Beverly Cheatham Elementary School in Allen, 02/19/26 - 02/19/26.

Chamberlain Ballet 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 **\$4,000**

To support a production of 'The Nutcracker' and related programming that will attract audiences to the Eisemann Center in Richardson.

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

To support the Shining Stars Program, which provides free weekly dance classes to youth and adults with disabilities, in Plano.

City of Greenville/Municipal Auditorium

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$7,500**

Artistic fee subsidy for Ballet Frontier of Texas to perform at Greenville Municipal Auditorium in Greenville, 12/19/25 - 12/19/25.

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$1,366**

Artistic fee subsidy for Texas Shakespeare Festival's Roadshow to perform at Greenville Municipal Auditorium in Greenville, 11/04/25 - 11/04/25.

City of Greenville/Public Library

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$475**

Artistic fee subsidy for Goodhearted Entertainment to perform at W. Walworth Harrison Public Library in Greenville, 06/23/26 - 06/23/26.

City of Melissa/Public Library

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$125**

Artistic fee subsidy for Elizabeth Ellis to perform at Melissa Public Library in Melissa, 10/30/25 - 10/30/25.

Dallas Asian American Youth Orchestra

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

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

Dallas Guzheng Association

Arts Respond Economic Development \$3,000

To support Music of Love, a cultural event including performances, workshops, events, and educational programs that promote Chinese culture and music, attracting visitors and boosting the local economy.

Davis Elementary/Royse City ISD

Arts Respond Performance Support \$1,350

Artistic fee subsidy for David Cox, Rhythm Path Interactive Drumming, to perform at Davis Elementary School in Royse City, 05/13/26 - 05/13/26.

Elim Wong

Commission Initiative - Young Masters \$5,000

Support for the costs of advanced arts training and other expenses for this Texas Young Master (year one of two).

Elliott Elementary PTA

Arts Respond Performance Support \$1,296

Artistic fee subsidy for David Cox, Rhythm Path Interactive Drumming, to perform at Edris Elliott Elementary School in McKinney, 01/30/26 - 01/30/26.

Folsom Elementary PTO

Arts Respond Performance Support \$1,045

Artistic fee subsidy for the Yuck Show to perform at Walnut Grove High School Theatre in Prosper, 04/02/26 - 04/02/26.

Garage Arts Project

Arts Respond Health & Human Services \$4,000

To support Fragments of Us, a multidisciplinary arts initiative that incorporates community exhibitions, installations, and workshops to explore human relationships, health, and wellness from a multitude of perspectives, in Plano.

Hart Elementary PTO

Arts Respond Performance Support \$1,350

Artistic fee subsidy for David Cox, Rhythm Path Interactive Drumming, to perform at Hart Elementary in Lucas, 05/11/26 - 05/11/26.

Jackson Elementary PTA

Arts Respond Performance Support \$797

Artistic fee subsidy for Yuck Show to perform at Jackson Elementary in Plano, 04/02/26 - 04/02/26.

Joyce Hall Elementary PTO

Arts Respond Performance Support \$747

Artistic fee subsidy for the Yuck Show to perform at Joyce Hall Elementary in Prosper, 03/24/26 - 03/24/26.

Mary Evans Elementary School PTA

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$897**

Artistic fee subsidy for the Yuck Show to perform at Mary Evans Elementary in Allen, 02/13/26 - 02/13/26.

Mid-America Arts Alliance

Commission Initiative - Regional Services **\$40,000**

Support for MAAA's programs serving Texas, including Artistic Innovations grants, Regional Touring Program grants, the Exhibits USA program, and three cohorts of Texas artists in the Artist Inc. training program, December 1, 2025-August 31, 2026.

Millhouse Foundation

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 **\$4,000**

To support a gallery exhibition featuring a juried selection of portraits celebrating iconic Texas women across time, to attract residents and visitors to McKinney.

North Texas Performing Arts

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

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.

Ogle Elementary PTA

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$1,350**

Artistic fee subsidy for David Cox, Rhythm Path Interactive Drumming, to perform at Ogle Elementary School in McKinney, 04/29/26 - 04/29/26.

Outcry Theatre

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

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

Plano Civic Chorus

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 a performance of Haydn's Lord Nelson Mass performed by Texas-based professional musicians that will attract regional audiences, generate earned revenue, and strengthen the economic and cultural vitality of North Texas.

Plano Symphony 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 Health & Human Services **\$4,000**

To support the Healing Notes for Seniors program, which provides community engagement through interactive music therapy in facilities caring for patients with dementia and Alzheimer's disease.

Arts Respond Public Safety & Criminal Justice **\$6,500**

To support Healing Notes, a series of interactive concerts done in partnership with the John R. Roach Juvenile Detention Center of Collin County.

Preston Elementary PTA

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$897**

Artistic fee subsidy for Yuck Show to perform at Preston Elementary School in Allen, 11/20/25 - 11/20/25.

Reeves Elementary/Prosper ISD

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$980**

Artistic fee subsidy for Chris Barton to perform at Reeves Elementary in McKinney, 04/08/26 - 04/08/26.

Rover Dramawerks

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

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

Sue E. Rattan Elementary PTA

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$797**

Artistic fee subsidy for Yuck Show to perform at Sue Rattan Elementary in Anna, 12/17/25 - 12/17/25.

Texas Youth Ballet (dba)

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

To support a spring production of the ballet 'Giselle' with its original choreography, involving professional and student dancers in McKinney.

Wolford Elementary PTA

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$797**

Artistic fee subsidy for Yuck Show to perform at Wolford Elementary School in McKinney, 03/10/26 - 03/10/26.

Number of Awards: 45

Award Total: \$279,589