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TEXAS CULTURAL TRUST



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LETTER FROM THE CHAIR

Welcome to the Texas Cultural Trust's second annual report. I am thrilled to present a dynamic illustration of the positive ripple effect the arts have on both our state's economy and our children's education. The mission of the Texas Cultural Trust is to **be the leading voice for the arts in education, advocacy, and economic impact in Texas, spotlighting the artistic excellence of our state.** Our committed team strives to create a culturally rich Texas where the arts encourage economic growth, creativity, and excellence. The Trust is able to fulfill its mission through its various programs and initiatives, and the generous support of donors from across our state.

This year, we prepare for our 9th biennial Texas Medal of Arts Awards. The Awards honor Texans who have made powerful contributions to the arts—both in Texas and around the world—through immense creative talent or generous philanthropic support. As the Trust's signature event, the Awards raise the visibility of the importance of the arts in our state, and support the Trust's operations, programming, and outreach for arts awareness and arts education programs. The event serves as an inspiration to the next generation of rising stars while we pay tribute to the Texas legends of today.

There are many people who question the necessity of the arts in our lives and in our children's education. In response, the Trust has gathered some rather eye-opening statistics for the naysayers: Texas' Arts and Culture Industry generates **\$5.5 billion** for our state and contributes **\$343.7 million in state sales tax revenue**; Arts and Culture tourism spending **surpassed \$67.5 billion** this year, and travel-related jobs **employs more than 600,000 Texans**; and, creative industry jobs, which presently employ almost **three quarters of a million workers**, is projected to increase by 22.2 percent

or **170,000 new jobs by 2022.** These various economic indicators serve to prove that the arts are of significant importance to Texas' economy.

On the education front, students who complete more arts classes have **up to 15% higher pass rates** on standardized tests than students with fewer arts classes. At-risk high school students with access to an arts-rich education are half as likely to drop out and **40% more likely to enroll in higher education** after high school graduation. Students who take more than one arts class attend an extra week of school each year, generating more money for our schools. The arts keep students engaged while teaching them important life skills such as confidence, leadership, creative thinking and problem solving, and teamwork.

At the Trust, we possess the drive to be the leading force in highlighting the significance of the arts in our children's education and the economic strength of our great state. We are increasingly aware that our efforts would not be possible without the support we receive from our members, donors, corporate sponsors, legislators, and partner organizations who advocate on behalf of the arts. We would also like to thank the parents, teachers, and administrators who work to promote the vitality of arts education, as well as the passionate arts patrons and creators who understand what it means to love the arts. Supporting the arts ensures the success of Texas' economy and honors our cultural heritage.

Warm regards,



Judy Robison
Chair of the Texas Cultural Trust

LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

When people ask what I do, I gladly tell them that I lead a statewide, mission-driven arts advocacy organization that promotes arts education and the arts as an economic driver in Texas. It sounds rather clinical, but I can honestly say my role as Executive Director of the Texas Cultural Trust is a culmination of my lifelong passion for the arts and my decade-plus work in state government. Little did I know that 20 years of ballet classes would instill in me such important life skills as self-confidence and leadership, resilience, and resourcefulness. My years working for some of our state's top elected officials taught me how to navigate compromise and advocate effectively. I was able to take my passion and turn it into my career where I have the opportunity to work with state legislators, stakeholders, school administrators, parents, teachers, arts organizations, and Texas' cultural legends to show how the arts are vital to our state's economy and to our children's education.

Our organization has grown so much from its inception 21 years ago. Our founding members set out with a goal to create a sustainable funding source supporting the programs of the Texas Commission on the Arts, our state agency partner. Today, the Trust has grown to a team of seven employees with hearty arts education programs, influential economic research, a robust scholarship program for young artists, a giving circle investing significantly in arts education, and a star-studded, world-class awards show that honors Texas legends and rising stars known as the Texas Medal of Arts Awards.

In the past year alone:

- We have developed partnerships and have earned support from the best of the best in the philanthropic sector—a **\$60,000 matching grant from the Meadows Foundation** and a **\$775,000 grant from the Houston Endowment**
- We have honored Texas Young Masters by awarding **\$150,000 in scholarships** to 15 of the state's best and brightest, making our total investment **\$857,500 in scholarships to 139 aspiring artists** since 2002

- We have turned \$2.5 million in private dollars from the Cultural Endowment Fund into a nearly **\$4 million investment fund** that supports the Texas Commission on the Arts' programs and initiatives
- We have proven that the arts and cultural industries have a **\$5.5 billion annual impact** on our state's economy, and **employ 1 in 15 Texans**.
- We have taken the idea of just eight passionate Texas women and turned it into a giving circle of **close to 300 members** with generous donations of **over \$1.7 million to 99 arts and arts education organizations** across the state, benefiting **over one million Texas schoolchildren**

It is my utmost honor to serve as Executive Director of the Texas Cultural Trust, standing on the shoulders of those who built this wonderful organization from the beginning. It is a privilege to guide us onward and upward into the future.

I hope you find our second annual report inspiring and informative. As our focus continues—in bringing awareness and support to **all** arts for all people in Texas, so that they may continue informing our children's education, preparing them for a 21st century creative workplace, and contributing billions to our state's healthy, diverse economy—please join us in spotlighting the importance of the arts in Texas.

Warmest regards,



Jennifer Ransom Rice
Executive Director



OUR MISSION

To be the leading voice for the arts in education, advocacy, and economic impact in Texas, spotlighting the artistic excellence of our state.



OUR VISION

We envision a vibrant Texas where the arts inspire excellence.

OUR GOAL

Our goal is to provide leadership to promote and highlight the importance of the arts in educating our children and sustaining our vibrant Texas economy. Supporting the arts ensures Texas' cultural and economic advantage for the future.

The Texas Cultural Trust is a 501(c)3 organization.



THE IMPACT OF THE TEXAS CULTURAL TRUST

\$3.2 M

Invested in arts awareness and education, through the Trust's economic impact studies, including **Art Can**, **Invest in the Arts**, **The Arts Perform**, **The Art of Economic Development**, and **Create Texas**, as well as arts education initiatives such as our **Arts & Digital Literacy Initiative**, and **Adventures in the ARTS**.

\$4.9M

Total financial support from 2008–2016 through the Trust's various **programs and initiatives**.

\$1.7 M

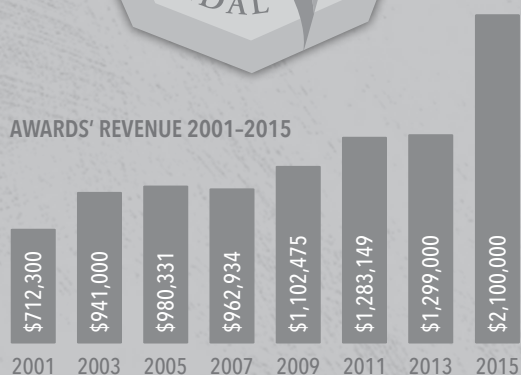
Awarded in grants to arts and arts education programs across the state from the **Texas Women for the Arts**.

Texas Medal of Arts Awards Dollars Raised and How Texas Cultural Trust Uses Money

The Texas Medal of Arts Awards is **the signature event of the Texas Cultural Trust**, presented biennially during each legislative session to highlight and celebrate the importance and impact of the arts in Texas. **Recognizing Texas legends and luminaries across all artistic disciplines**, the event honors those who have achieved greatness through their creative talents, as well as those whose generosity has opened doors to artistic opportunity for Texans of all ages. Proceeds from this event support the Texas Cultural Trust's programming, outreach, and operations, which focuses on arts awareness and education.



AWARDS' REVENUE 2001-2015

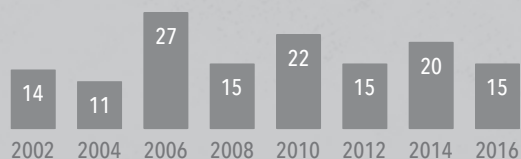


Young Masters Program Scholarships

The Texas Young Masters Program, a partnership between the Texas Cultural Trust and the Texas Commission on the Arts has awarded **278 scholarship grants to 139 aspiring artists from across the state, totaling \$857,500**. The program is available to students engaged in the arts, offering financial assistance to develop their unique talents. Students may be enrolled in a program through their school or receive private lessons from a qualified professional instructor.



NUMBER OF SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED 2002-2016

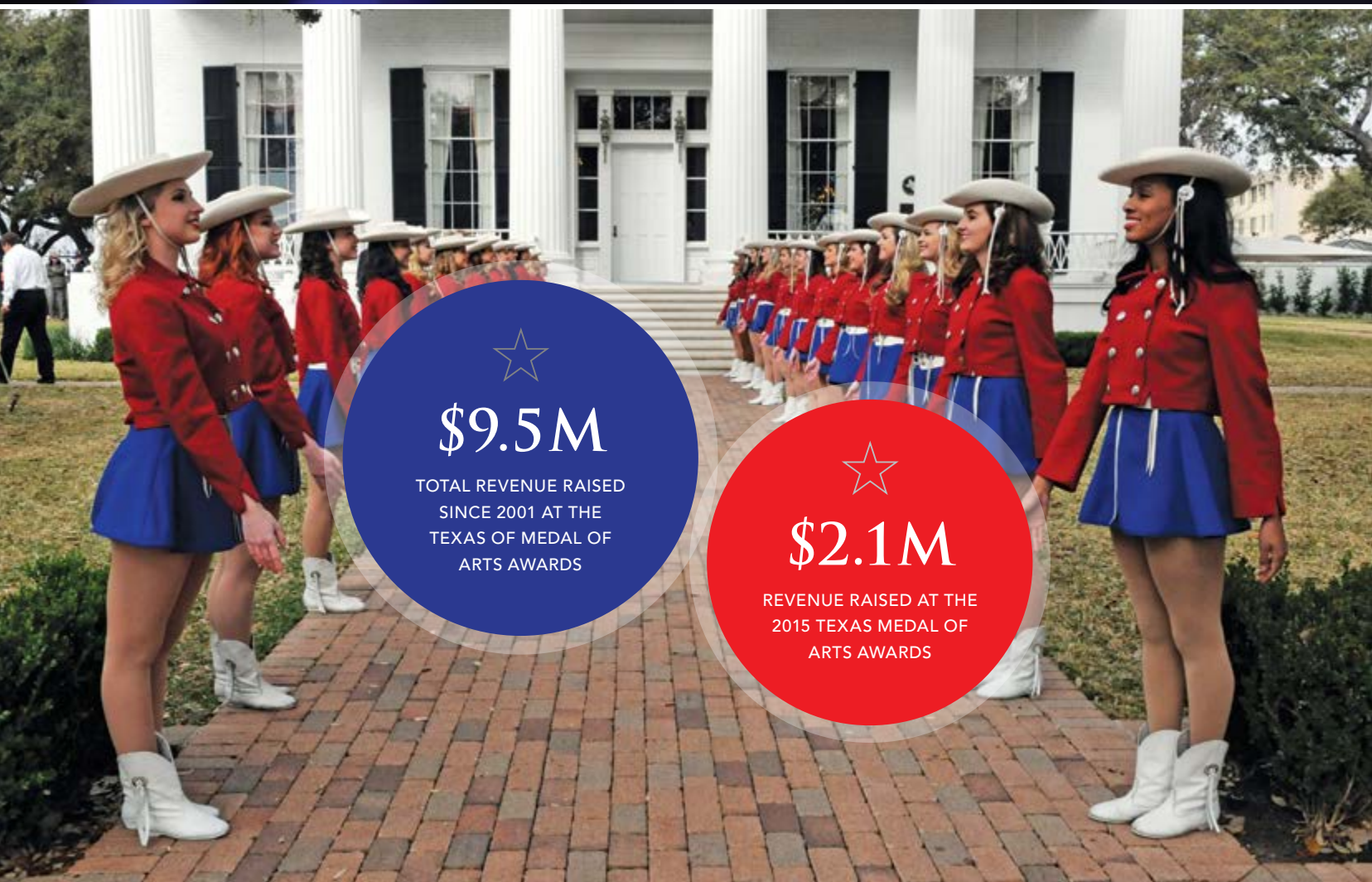


THE TRUST ALSO MANAGES A

\$3.6 MILLION

ENDOWMENT

BENEFITTING THE PROGRAMS OF THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON THE ARTS.



\$9.5M

TOTAL REVENUE RAISED
SINCE 2001 AT THE
TEXAS OF MEDAL OF
ARTS AWARDS



\$2.1M

REVENUE RAISED AT THE
2015 TEXAS MEDAL OF
ARTS AWARDS



TEXAS MEDAL OF ARTS AWARDS

Since its inception in 2001, the Texas Medal of Arts Awards have spotlighted and celebrated **99 Texas leaders and luminaries** who have achieved greatness through their creative talents, as well as those whose generosity has opened doors to artistic opportunity for Texans of all ages. **As the signature event for the Texas Cultural Trust**, the Texas Medal of Arts Awards highlights and promotes the power of the arts on our children's education, the state's economy, and our unique and proud Texas culture.

This biennial event celebrates the state's legendary artists, entertainers, and arts patrons with a series of events, including a gala dinner, star-studded awards show, and concert.

TEXAS MEDAL OF ARTS CO-CHAIRS

- 2017** Peter Holt and Guillermo Nicolas
- 2015** Gene Jones and Charlotte Jones Anderson
- 2013** Kelli Blanton and Marita Fairbanks
- 2011** Alice Carrington Foulz and Adair Margo
- 2009** Karen Oswalt and Pamela Willeford
- 2007** Debbie Montford and Aaronetta Pierce
- 2005** Hector Gutierrez and Aaronetta Pierce
- 2003** Deborah Hammond and Mary Teeple
- 2001** Jocelyn Straus

Opposite page, top to bottom: Stage at the 2015 Texas Medal of Arts Awards; Kilgore College Rangerettes welcome other honorees at the Governor's Mansion; At left, top to bottom: Texas Medal of Arts Awards' gala dinner; The Gatlin Brothers; Gene Jones, Jamie Foxx and Charlotte Jones Anderson; Jamie Foxx, Steve Miller, Ray Benson, Larry Gatlin, and Betty Buckley. Photo Credit: InDepth Photography



2015 Texas Medal of Arts honorees at the Texas Governor's Mansion. From left to right, back row: Charlotte Jones Anderson, First Lady Cecilia Abbott, Larry Gatlin, Dan Rather, Robert Schenkkan, T Bone Burnett, Steve Gatlin, Rudy Gatlin, Dr. Scott Rudes, PhD, Rick Lowe; Middle row: Emilio Nicolas, Chandra Wilson, Ruth Altschuler, Dr. William M. Holda, PhD, Lawrence Wright, Gene Jones; Front row: Governor Greg Abbott, Margaret McDermott Photo Credit: Bob Straus





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2015 TEXAS MEDAL OF
ARTS' AWARDEES



99

TOTAL TEXAS MEDAL OF
ARTS' AWARDEES
SINCE 2001

TEXAS MEDAL OF ARTS HONOREES



Author Lawrence Wright at the 2015 Texas Medal of Arts Awards. Photo Credit: Chris Caselli

2001

Van Cliburn

Fort Worth: *Lifetime Achievement*

Tommy Lee Jones

San Saba: *Film*

Willie Nelson

Austin: *Music*

Debbie Allen

Houston: *Dance*

Neil Hess

Amarillo: *Theatre*

John Biggers

Houston: *Visual Arts*

Horton Foote

Wharton: *Literary Arts*

Flaco and Santiago Jimenez

San Antonio: *Folk Arts*

Wayne Bell

Austin: *Architecture*

Gilberto Zepeda, Jr.

Pharr: *Arts Education*

Jack Blanton

Houston: *Individual Arts Patron*

SBC Communications Inc.

San Antonio: *Corporate Arts Patron*

The Meadows Foundation

Dallas: *Foundation Arts Patron*

2003

John Graves

Glen: *Lifetime Achievement*

Fess Parker

Fort Worth: *Film/Television*

Charley Pride

Dallas: *Music*

Tommy Tune

Wichita Falls: *Dance*

Enid Holm

Odessa: *Theatre*

Glenna Goodacre

Dallas: *Visual Arts*

Sandra Cisneros

San Antonio: *Literary Arts*

Dealey Herndon/State Capitol Preservation Project

Austin: *Architecture*

Lydia Mendoza

San Antonio: *Folk Arts*

Marca Lee Bircher

Dallas: *Arts Education*

Nancy B. Hamon

Dallas: *Individual Arts Patron*

ExxonMobil Corporation

Irving: *Corporate Arts Patron*

Houston Endowment Inc.

Houston: *Foundation Arts Patron*

2005

Vikki Carr

El Paso: *Lifetime Achievement*

Phylicia Rashad

Houston: *Television/Theatre*

Lyle Lovett

Klein: *Music*

Ben Stevenson, O.B.E.

Houston: *Dance*

Robert Wilson

Waco: *Theatre*

Jose Cisneros

El Paso: *Visual Arts*

Naomi Shihab Nye

San Antonio: *Literary Arts*

Ginger Head-Gearheart

Fort Worth: *Arts Education*

Joe R. and Teresa Lozano Long

Austin: *Individual Arts Patron*

Nasher Foundation/Raymond D. Nasher

Dallas: *Foundation Arts Patron*

2007

Walter Cronkite

Houston: *Lifetime Achievement*

Ornette Coleman

Fort Worth: *Music*

Alvin Ailey American Dance Theatre

Rogers: *Dance*

Judith Ivey

El Paso: *Theatre*

Jesús Moroles

Corpus Christi: *Visual Arts*

Sandra Brown

Waco: *Literary Arts*



Bill Wittliff

Austin: *Multimedia*

Paul Baker

Hereford: *Arts Education*

Diana and Bill Hobby

Houston: *Individual Arts Patron*

Neiman Marcus

Dallas: *Corporate Arts Patron*

Sid W. Richardson Foundation

Fort Worth: *Foundation Arts Patron*



Steve Miller Band performing at the 2015 Texas Medal of Arts Awards. Photo Credit: Chris Caselli

2009

Laura W. Bush

Dallas: *Standing Ovation*

Robert Rauschenberg

Port Arthur: *Lifetime Achievement*

Lake/Flato Architects

San Antonio: *Architecture*

James Dick

Round Top: *Arts Education*

Anheuser Busch Companies

Corporate Arts Patron

Robert Rodriguez

San Antonio: *Film*

Edith O'Donnell

Dallas: *Individual Arts Patron*

Austin City Limits

Austin: *Multimedia*

Clint Black

Houston: *Music*

T.R. Fehrenbach

San Benito: *Literary Arts*

Betty Buckley

Fort Worth: *Theatre Arts*

Keith Carter

Beaumont: *Visual Arts*

2011

Barbara Smith Conrad

Pittsburg: *Lifetime Achievement*

ZZ Top

Houston: *Music*

Ray Benson

Austin: *Multimedia*

Marcia Gay Harden

Austin: *Film*

Bill Paxton

Fort Worth: *Film*

Bob Schieffer

Fort Worth: *Journalism*

James Drake

Lubbock: *Visual Arts*

Alley Theatre

Houston: *Theatre*

Robert M. Edsel

Dallas: *Literary Arts*

Tom Staley

Austin: *Arts Education*

HEB

San Antonio: *Corporate Arts Patron*

Sarah and Ernest Butler

Austin: *Individual Arts Patron*

2013

Big Thought, Gigi Antoni

Dallas: *Arts Education*

Gene Jones and Charlotte Jones Anderson

Dallas: *Individual Arts Patron*

Kimbell Art Foundation

Fort Worth: *Foundation Arts Patron*

Texas Monthly

Austin: *Corporate Arts Patron*

Steve Miller

Dallas: *Music*

Eva Longoria

Galveston: *Multimedia*

Houston Ballet

Houston: *Dance*

James Surls

Huntsville: *Visual Arts*

**Joe Sears and Jaston Williams
(Greater Tuna)**

Austin: *Theatre*

2015

T Bone Burnett

Fort Worth: *Music*

Jamie Foxx

Terrell: *Film*

Kilgore College Rangerettes

Kilgore: *Dance*

Rick Lowe

Houston: *Visual Arts*

Dr. Pepper Snapple Group

Plano: *Corporate Arts Patron*

Margaret McDermott

Dallas: *Individual Arts Patron*

Emilio Nicolas

San Antonio: *Multimedia*

Dan Rather

Wharton: *Television*

Chandra Wilson

Houston: *Television*

Charles Renfro

Houston: *Architecture*

Robert Schenkkan

Austin: *Theatre*

**Booker T. Washington High School
for the Performing & Visual Arts**

Dallas: *Arts Education*

Lawrence Wright

Austin: *Literary Arts*

Ruth Altshuler

Dallas: *Standing Ovation*

The Gatlin Brothers

Seminole: *Lifetime Achievement*



TEXAS WOMEN FOR THE ARTS

Texas Women for the Arts is an essential giving circle of the Texas Cultural Trust, uniting the financial forces of Texas Women in funding arts and arts education programs throughout the state. ***Texas Women for the Arts' mission is to awaken and nurture the artist in every Texas child.*** This yearly grant initiative provides meaningful funding to arts education programs across Texas. Each year, Texas Women for the Arts has the opportunity to choose which programs its privately-raised dollars will support. Since its inception in 2005, Texas Women for the Arts has awarded over **\$1.7 million in grants to 99 arts organizations** impacting more than **one million children** across the state.



Texas Women for the Arts members at the 2015 annual meeting in San Antonio Photo Credit: Greg Harrison



\$1.7M

GRANTS AWARDED BY
TEXAS WOMEN FOR THE
ARTS SINCE 2005



\$260,000

AWARDED BY TEXAS
WOMEN FOR THE ARTS TO
31 GRANTEES IN 2016



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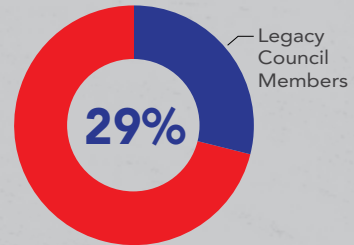
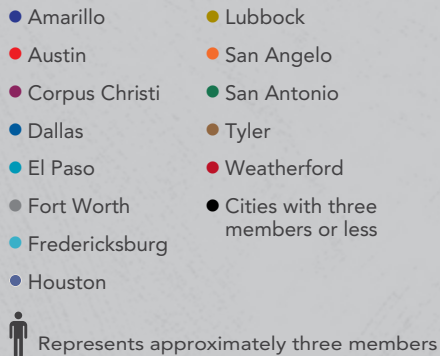
ORGANIZATIONS
IMPACTING OVER ONE
MILLION CHILDREN

TEXAS WOMEN FOR THE ARTS MEMBERSHIP BY THE NUMBERS

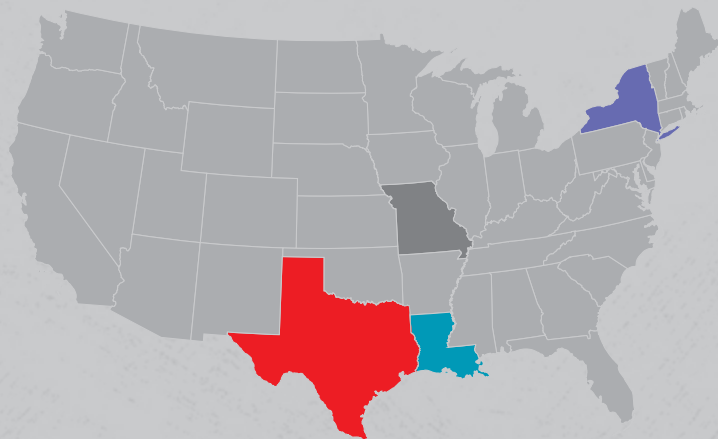
MEMBER NUMBERS PER CITY

1 - Abilene	1 - Colleyville	1 - Horseshoe Bay	3 - Lubbock	1 - Shreveport
16 - Amarillo	4 - Corpus Christi	48 - Houston	1 - Medina	1 - St. Louis
1 - Andrews	36 - Dallas	1 - Hye	2 - Midland	5 - Tyler
2 - Arlington	12 - El Paso	1 - Irving	1 - New Orleans	2 - Waco
29 - Austin	27 - Fort Worth	1 - Johnson City	1 - New York City	3 - Weatherford
1 - Beaumont	11 - Fredericksburg	1 - Katy	1 - Rockport	1 - Willow City
1 - Bellaire	1 - Fort Davis	1 - Kerrville	1 - Rock Top	
1 - Buda	1 - Greenwood Village	2 - Laredo	4 - San Angelo	
1 - Canadian	1 - Harper	1 - Leander	42 - San Antonio	

MEMBER NUMBERS AT A GLANCE



MEMBERS IN FIVE STATES



TEXAS WOMEN FOR THE ARTS GRANTEES

2007 Grants

Texas Commission on the Arts, Dallas, Big Thought, North Texas Wolf Trap – \$15,000

Texas Commission on the Arts, El Paso, Kids Excel El Paso – \$10,000

Texas Commission on the Arts, Summer Reading Program – \$35,000

Texas Cultural Trust, Young Masters Program – \$15,000

Texas Cultural Trust, Adventures in the ARTS – \$20,000

Texas Music Office, Intermediate Masters Program – \$10,000

UT Performing Arts Center, Austin, Performing Arts and Academic Collaborative – \$15,000

2008 Grants

Creative Kids, El Paso, Art for Pediatric Oncology Patients – \$30,000

Digital Media Council, Digital Filmmaking Institute – \$5,000

Pollyanna Theatre Company, Austin, Midsummer Night's Dream Tour – \$5,000

Texas Commission on the Arts, Summer Reading Program – \$40,000

Texas Commission on the Arts, Symphony for Urban Youth – \$30,000

Texas Music Office, Intermediate Masters Program – \$10,000

UT Performing Arts Center, Austin, Collaborative – \$16,800

Window on a Wider World, Amarillo, Black History Month Celebration – \$8,200

2009 Grants

Austin Symphony, Austin, Young People's Concerts – \$12,500

Imagination Celebration, Fort Worth, Debbie Allen Dance Institute – \$15,000

Kids Excel El Paso, El Paso, Dance for Disadvantaged Youth – \$14,500

Southwest School of Art, San Antonio, Young Artist Programs – \$5,000

Texas Commission on the Arts, Summer Reading Program – \$15,000



Texas Commission on the Arts, Young Audiences Chapters – \$7,000

The Arts Alliance Center at Clear Lake, Houston, Education and Outreach Program – \$3,000

Youth Orchestras of San Antonio, San Antonio, Music Learning Center – \$18,000

2010 Grants

Window on a Wider World, Amarillo, Hot Peas 'N Butter – \$14,500

Southwest School of Art, San Antonio, Summer Art Camp – \$10,000

Hope Stone, Houston, Kid's Play – \$10,000

Orange Show Center for Visionary Art, Houston, Mural Arts Project – \$10,000

UT Butler School of Music, Austin, UT String Project – \$15,000

Kids in a New Groove, Austin, Foster Children Program – \$35,000

Kids Excel El Paso, El Paso, School Programs – \$25,000

Fort Worth Symphony, Fort Worth, Adventures in Music – \$10,000

2011 Grants

ArtBridge, Houston, Art programs for homeless children – \$15,000

Blanton Museum of Art, Austin, Art Central – \$30,000

Van Cliburn Foundation, Fort Worth, Free Musical Awakenings – \$15,000

The University of Texas at Brownsville, Brownsville, Youth String Project – \$45,000

San Antonio Symphony, San Antonio, "Tchaikovsky: Art of Sound – \$5,000

Lone Star Ballet, Amarillo, "A Children's Rainforest Odyssey" – \$15,000

Dallas Black Dance Theatre, Dallas, Summer Dance Camp – \$15,000

2012 Grants

El Paso Opera, El Paso, Opera in the Schools Program – \$25,000

Theatre Action Project, Austin, Changing Lives Youth Ensemble – \$20,000

San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts, San Angelo, Evening Programs for Teens & Families – \$20,000

29 Pieces, Dallas, MasterPEACE: Young Artists Making a Kinder World – \$20,000

Van Cliburn Foundation, Fort Worth, Adopt-a-Competitor, Art Banners & Cliburn Notes – \$17,000

Contemporary Art Museum Houston, Houston, Teen Council – \$15,000

Children's Museum of Houston, Houston, Spotlight Performance Series – \$15,000

Kids Excel, El Paso, K. E. E. P. Fit – \$5,000



2013 Grants

Arts for Rural Texas, Fayetteville – \$37,200

The Orange Show Center for Visionary Art, Houston, The Art Bus – \$32,800

Imagination Celebration of Fort Worth, Fort Worth, Special Weekend for the Deaf & Hard of Hearing – \$25,000

Kids Excel El Paso, El Paso, KEEP Arts Education Outreach – \$18,000

San Antonio Symphony, San Antonio, Young People's Concerts/Carnegie Hall Link-Up Collaboration – \$15,000

Anthropos Arts, Austin, Music Mentoring Program – \$10,000

Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center, San Antonio, Escuela Project – \$10,000

Blanton Museum of Fine Arts, Austin, Second Sundays: Free for All at the Blanton – \$12,000

Menuhin Competition – \$15,000

Texas Cultural Trust, Young Masters Program – \$25,000

2014 Grants

ArtBridge, Houston, ArtBridge Art Sessions – \$40,000

Sunshine Cottage School for the Deaf, San Antonio, Musical Melodies – \$25,000

Art Museum of South Texas, Corpus Christi, Youth Art Education Program – \$25,000

Texas Cultural Trust, Young Masters Program – \$25,000

Art Guild of Fayetteville, Fayetteville, ARTS Children's Programs – \$20,000

Hope Stone, Houston, Hope Stone Kids – \$15,000

San Antonio Museum of Art, San Antonio, Portable Museum Education – \$15,000

Lubbock Arts Alliance, Lubbock, ARTAdventures! – \$10,000

Texas Ballet Theater, Fort Worth, CityDance Outreach Education Program – \$10,000

Austin Film Festival, Austin, Austin Film Festival Digital Storytelling & Festival Scholarship Program – \$10,000

Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra, Fort Worth, Adventures in Music – \$10,000

Window on a Wider World, Amarillo, WOWW Resident Artist & Youth Art Show – \$5,000

Kids in a New Groove, Austin, Master Teacher Program – \$5,000

Opera in the Heights, Houston, This Opera's For You – \$5,000

Tom Lea Institute, El Paso, Tom Lea Month – \$5,000

Outreach Grants:

San Angelo Museum of Fine Art, San Angelo, Children's Art Programming – \$2,500

Mexic-Arte Museum, Austin, Mexic-Arte Museum Outreach Program – \$2,500

Creative Kids, El Paso, Project AIM (Arts In Motion) – \$2,500

City of Tyler Gallery Main Street, Tyler, Young at Art – \$2,500

2015 Grants

Homemade Hope for Homeless Children, Houston, Homemade Hope – \$41,000

Briscoe Western Museum, San Antonio, Student Education & Family Engagement – \$27,390

Marfa Live Arts, Marfa, 2016 Marfa Live Arts Education Program – \$27,324

Magik Theatre, San Antonio, First-time Access for Special Children's Audiences – \$18,200

Generous Arts Texas, Austin, Raising Artists – \$14,850

The Long Center for the Performing Arts, Austin, Greater High School Music Awards – \$9,500

Houston Center for Photography, Houston, Flash Drive – \$9,500

San Antonio Public Library, San Antonio, San Antonio Book Festival – \$9,500

The University of Texas El Paso, El Paso, Children's Traveling Troupe – \$9,000

Odyssey After School Enrichment, Rockport, Music Around the World – \$4,500

Texas Cultural Trust, Arts & Digital Literacy Initiative – \$25,000

Texas Cultural Trust, Young Masters Program – \$25,000

Outreach Grants:

The University of Texas of the Permian Basin, Midland, Pots-n-Prints – \$5,500

Umlauf Sculpture Garden & Museum, Austin, Family Day – \$5,500

Texas A&M Kingsville, Kingsville, Full STEAM Ahead Arts – \$3,750

HOPE Farm, Fort Worth, HOPE Farm Performing Arts Series – \$3,000

Museum of the Big Bend: Sul Ross University, Alpine, Young at Art Program – \$3,000

Azalea Academy for Exceptional Adults, Tyler, Hands On! – \$2,500

Creative Kids, Inc., El Paso, Project AIM (Arts in Motion) – \$2,500

Ballet Austin, Austin, Dance in the Classroom – \$2,500

Young Audiences of Houston, Houston, Arts Access Initiative – \$2,500

Dell Children's Medical Center Foundation, Austin, Music & Arts Therapy-Child Life – \$2,500

Van Cliburn Foundation, Austin, Musical Awakenings – \$1,000

Lubbock Entertainment & Performing Arts Association, Lubbock, The Buddy Holly Hall for Performing Arts & Sciences – \$1,000

TeCo Theatrical Productions, Dallas, TeCo Student Outreach Programs – \$1,000

Texas Heritage Music Foundation, Kerrville, Texas Heritage Day/Bard Project – \$1,000

2016 Grants

Arts for Rural Texas, Fayetteville, ARTS Children's Programs – \$30,000

Creative Kids, El Paso, Project AIM (Arts in Motion) – \$15,000

Boys and Girls Clubs of the Austin Area, Austin, BGCAA Enhanced Fine Arts Program – \$15,000

Harbor Playhouse Community Theatre, Corpus Christi, Young People's Theater Program – \$12,500

San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts, San Angelo, "The Cicada" Mobile Museum – \$12,500

Kids in a New Groove, Austin, Music
Mentorship for Youth in Foster Care – \$12,000

East Texas Symphony Orchestra, Tyler,
Carnegie Hall Link Up: Elementary School
Curriculum/Concert – \$11,000

Window on a Wider World, Amarillo, WOWW
Resident Artist & Youth Art Show – \$10,250

Lone Star Ballet, Amarillo, Lone Star Dance
Academy Scholarship Program – \$10,250

The Periwinkle Foundation, Houston,
Periwinkle Arts in Medicine Program – \$10,000

Lubbock Arts Alliance, Lubbock, ARTadventures!
Education Outreach Program – \$7,500

American Festival of the Arts (AFA), Houston,
AFA in Schools – \$7,500

El Paso Symphony, El Paso, Tocando After
School Music Program – \$7,500

Nameless Sound, Houston, 2017 Creative
Music Education Program – \$7,500

Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra, Fort
Worth, Adventures in Music – \$7,500

Houston Center for Photography, Houston,
"Picture This!" Expansion – \$7,500

San Antonio Museum of Art, San Antonio,
San Antonio Museum of Art Family Programs
– \$5,000

Dallas Opera, Dallas, Dallas Opera Educa-
tion Outreach Series – \$5,000

HOPE Farm, Fort Worth, HOPE Farm Concert
Series – \$4,500

Texas Cultural Trust, Arts & Digital Literacy
Initiative – \$26,000

Texas Cultural Trust, Young Masters Program
– \$26,000

Outreach Grants:

Blanton Museum of Art, The University of
Texas at Austin, Austin, K-12 Arts Education
Programs – \$1,000

Blue Star Contemporary Art, San Antonio,
MOSAIC Student Artist Program & Youth
Education Outreach – \$1,000

**DoSeum: San Antonio's Museum for
Children**, San Antonio, Artist-in-Residence
Program – \$1,000

Green Spaces Alliance of South Texas,
San Antonio, Picture Your World Youth
Photography Program – \$1,000

Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center, San Antonio,
Literary Arts Programs: Barrio Writers 210 &
Macondo Young Writers Workshop – \$1,000

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Houston Ballet, Houston, X³: Explore,
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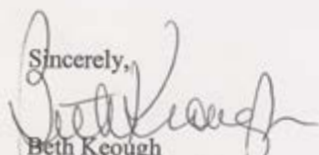
Texas Women for the Arts
Ms. Jennifer Ransom Rice
823 Congress Avenue, Suite 707
Austin, TX 78701

Dear Jennifer,

On behalf of all of the children, families, and teachers we serve, thank you for the referral to the Texas Commission on the Arts for the \$1,000 donation.

This contribution truly makes a difference in the lives of children throughout San Antonio by providing innovative science, math, art and literacy programs that encourages them to embrace that excitement for years to come. Because of donors like you, our ability to provide interactive learning experiences has gained significant momentum as we increase our focus on STEM-based programming in conjunction with the arts.

We are honored to have you as a partner in The DoSeum's efforts to transform the educational landscape of San Antonio and improve the quality of life for our community. Again, thank you for believing in the potential of so many young minds and supporting The DoSeum.

Sincerely,

Beth Keough
Vice President of Development



"To be young, motivated, and free to truly explore what it means to be an artist; this is a powerful combination of forces. The Young Masters program is important because it recognizes this time."

— Katie Rose Pipkin, 2008 Texas Young Master in Visual Arts

TEXAS YOUNG MASTERS

The Texas Young Masters Program is a joint initiative between the Texas Cultural Trust and the Texas Commission on the Arts, recognizing excellence in 8th through 11th graders in dance, theatre, literary arts, media arts, film, music, and visual arts. The program awards scholarship grants of \$5,000 per year, for two years, nurturing our rising stars to become the Texas legends of tomorrow.

The program is available to students engaged in the arts, offering financial assistance to develop their unique talents. Students may be enrolled in a program through their school or receive private lessons from a qualified professional instructor. Since its inception in 2002, the Trust has given **278 scholarship grants** to **139 previous Young Masters**, awarding **\$857,500** to aspiring artists from across the state.



Opposite page, top to bottom: Jay Appaji, 2014 Young Master in Music (left), performs with Charles Yang, 2004 Young Master in Music (right), at the 2016 Young Masters Awards; Tosca String Quartet performs while artwork by 2016 Young Masters plays in the background; Above: The 2016 Young Masters Photo Credit: InDepth Photography

TEXAS YOUNG MASTERS



Dr. Gary Gibbs, Texas Commission on the Arts and First Lady Cecilia Abbott at the 2016 Texas Young Masters ceremony. Photo Credit: InDepth Photography

2002

Emily Schmeltekopf, Fort Worth, *Dance*
Alexander Lue, Richardson, *Music*
Olivia Dane Charbeneau, Dallas, *Visual Arts*
Dean Andre de Luna, Fort Worth, *Dance*
Rachel Lamb, Plano, *Dance*
Christopher Vo, Dallas, *Dance*
Anita Shankar, Houston, *Dance*
Katherine Petak, Houston, *Music*
Adriana Potoczniak, Houston, *Music*
Stephanie Joiner, Austin, *Musical Theatre*
Antonio Cisneros, San Antonio, *Visual Arts*
Nicholas Noel Garza, Pharr, *Visual Arts*
Melissa M. McChristian, Pflugerville, *Visual Arts*
Chloe Trevor, Plano, *Music*

2004

Stephanie Williams, Allen, *Dance*
Jonathan Campbell, Cedar Hill, *Dance*
Brandie Phillips, San Angelo, *Music*
Caitlin Tully, Austin, *Music*
Ngoc-Yen Thi (Angela) Hoang, Houston, *Visual Arts*
Morgan Ashlee Morrow, Arlington, *Musical Theatre*
Sofya Karash, Houston, *Visual Arts*
Ei-Jane Janet Lin, Bellaire, *Visual Arts*
Chris Jenkins, Plano, *Visual Arts*
Anna Michelle Reyes, Austin, *Dance*
Charles Yang, Austin, *Music*

2006

Dakota Anderson, Houston, *Visual Arts*
Sarah Crowe, Austin, *Visual Arts*
Natalie Freeman, Austin, *Dance*
Mary Michael Patterson, Aledo, *Musical Theatre*
Mitchell Collier, Austin, *Film*
Brittanie Brown, Dallas, *Dance*
Ebony Cunningham, Dallas, *Dance*
Cecil Moore, Dallas, *Dance*
Jesse Caldwell, Center, *Visual Arts*
Lili Froehlich, Weatherford, *Musical Theatre*
Samantha Stewart, Dallas, *Music*
Cynthia Black, Dallas, *Music*
Emily Clarkson, Brownwood, *Music*
Damian Green, Austin, *Music*
Margaux Crump, Houston, *Visual Arts*
Alice Dennard, Houston, *Mixed Media*
Jon Eng, Houston, *Visual Arts*
Jose Martinez, Houston, *Visual Arts*
Paige Brown, Kingwood, *Music*
Lindsey Maxon, Arlington, *Literature*
Marco Villa, Austin, *Music*
Sarah Welch, Austin, *Visual Arts*
Michael Paglia, San Antonio, *Visual Arts*
Caroline Beach, Fort Worth, *Dance*
Shannon Lee, Plano, *Music*
Sean Maddox, Austin, *Musical Theatre*
Stephanie Chen, Austin, *Music*

2008

Torrance Cobb, Beaumont, *Dance*
Julia Cinquemani, Dallas, *Dance*
Amber Pickens, Dallas, *Dance*
Christine Smith, Dallas, *Theatre/Musical Theatre*
Thales Smith, Austin, *Music*
Robert Switala, Grapevine, *Music*
Catherine Cleary, Houston, *Visual Arts*
Boris Karash, Houston, *Visual Arts*
Robbie Moore, Porter, *Dance*
Rosie Salvucci, San Antonio, *Music*
Rachael Milton, Austin, *Visual Arts*
Kira Viola, El Paso, *Dance*

Maureen Fenninger, Houston, *Theatre/Musical Theatre*
Katie Pipkin, Austin, *Visual Arts*
Bernadette Gnass, Wimberly, *Literature*

2010

Emily Manning, College Station, *Visual Arts*
Maddie Bueter, Frisco, *Music*
Alysia Johnson, Dallas, *Dance*
Ida Saki, Plano, *Dance*
McKinley Willis, Dallas, *Dance*
Eun "Jinny" Seo, Euless, *Visual Arts*
Behnam Arzaghi, Lubbock, *Music*
Hannah Lee, Bryan, *Musical Theatre*
Kyle Morrow, Dallas, *Visual Arts*
Sydney Roberts, Spring, *Musical Theatre*
Alexandra Switala, Grapevine, *Music*
Michael Taylor, Arlington, *Music*
Vincent Turner, New Braunfels, *Music*
Ava Barrett, Houston, *Visual Arts*
Chelsea Conwright, Cypress-Fairbanks, *Dance*
Karina Farek, Houston, *Visual Arts*
Ruth Lin, Houston, *Visual Arts*
Monica Brown, Kingwood, *Musical Theatre*
Morgan Starr, Spring, *Musical Theatre*
Paul "Vijay" Meunier, Sunset Valley, *Music*
Skylar Boykin, Plano, *Dance*
Michelle Suh, Austin, *Music*



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2012 Texas Young Master Michael Stromile Photo Credit: InDepth Photography

2012

Eric Bowser, Center Point, *Music*
Brendan Carrillo, Waco, *Music*
Michelle Garcia, Cypress, *Dance*
Mia Gerachis, Houston, *Musical Theatre*
Christian Kay, Tyler, *Music*
Reagan Lukefahr, Houston, *Musical Theatre*
Mason Manning, McKinney, *Dance*
Cesar Martinez, San Antonio, *Film*
Ani Mayo, Plano, *Dance*
Annyston Pennington, Amarillo, *Literature*
Shilpa Sadagopan, Pearland, *Music*
Susan Seo, Euless, *Visual Arts*
Michael Stromile, Dallas, *Dance*
Morgan Tao, Rosharon, *Visual Arts*
Laurel Thornburg, Houston, *Visual Arts*

2014

Sophie Anthony, Dallas, *Visual Arts*
Jay Appaji, Plano, *Music*
Nizhoni Begay, San Antonio, *Music*
Jared Brown, Dallas, *Dance*
William Chang, Plano, *Music*
Ann Cho, Austin, *Music*
Montana Dalton, Frisco, *Dance*
Christin Engelberth, San Antonio, *Visual Arts*
Claudia Isabel Heymach, Pearland, *Literature*
Esther Liao, Houston, *Music*

Hannah McEvilly, Austin, *Musical Theatre*
Meg Mickelsen, Dallas, *Visual Arts*
Nina Pitts, Houston, *Music*
Kian Raissian, Houston, *Music*
Juanito Riveros, Rowlett, *Music*
Sydney Shreve, Dallas, *Visual Arts*
Catherine Thomas, Texarkana, *Theatre*
Anastasia Tillman, Fort Worth, *Dance*
Luke Westerman, Houston, *Dance*
Katja Yanko, The Woodlands, *Musical Theatre*

2016

Todd Baker, Carrollton, *Dance*
Samantha Choo, Plano, *Music*
Emma Colwell, Grand Prairie, *Theatre*
Margaret Errickson, Houston, *Visual Arts*
Quinlan Facey, Plano, *Music*
Niell Gorman, Houston, *Visual Arts*
Shadden Hashem, Colleyville, *Dance*
Mia Heckler, Bellaire, *Theatre*
Bhargavi Sarangapani, Coppell, *Dance*
Fiona Shea, Lubbock, *Music*
Emma Sutherland, Dallas, *Dance*
Zane Unger, Dallas, *Dance*
Olivia Vanderslice, Garland, *Dance*
Johnathan Wu, Plano, *Music*
Anton Zhou, Sugar Land, *Visual Arts*

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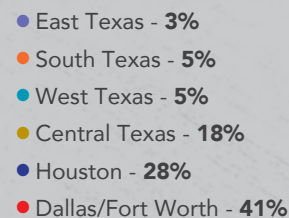
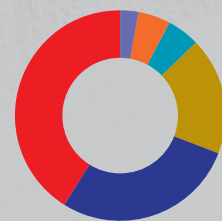
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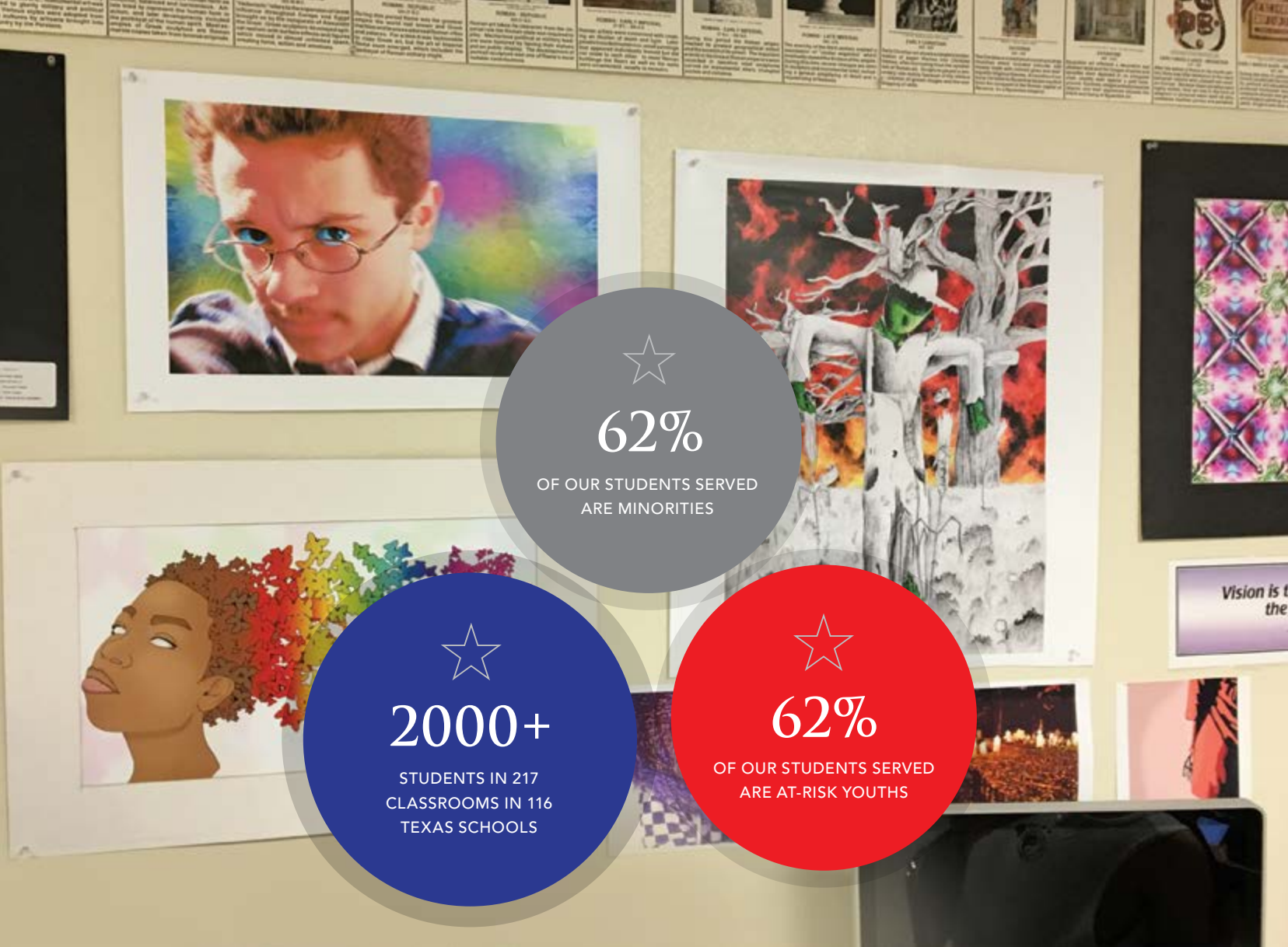
ARTS & DIGITAL LITERACY

The Texas Cultural Trust, in partnership with the University of Texas at Austin College of fine arts, created an innovative suite of classes that bridges the gap between traditional fine arts education and technological instruction. The Arts & Digital Literacy Initiative is a project-based fine arts program that integrates technology into the creative classroom, giving students all of the benefits of an arts rich education, while preparing them for the modern workplace. All courses are aligned with the current TEKS standards for fine arts and count as fine arts credit for graduation.

The Trust's research shows that students who are enrolled in the arts have up to **15 percent higher pass rates on standardized test scores**, are **half as likely to drop out**, and **attend an average of one additional week of classes per school year**. Additionally, these students have greater rates of enrollment in higher education. Digital literacy is the future of communication, and these courses generate learning experiences that truly engage students while simultaneously developing their capacity for **critical thinking, creativity, imagination, and innovation**.

ARTS & DIGITAL LITERACY A partnership of the Texas Cultural Trust and





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OF OUR STUDENTS SERVED
ARE MINORITIES

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2000+

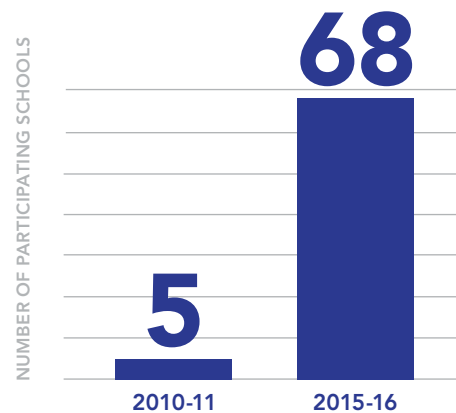
STUDENTS IN 217
CLASSROOMS IN 116
TEXAS SCHOOLS

☆
62%

OF OUR STUDENTS SERVED
ARE AT-RISK YOUTHS

To help alleviate any barriers to implementation, the Trust is committed to offering ongoing support: An annual Arts & Digital Literacy Institute, a professional development opportunity for fine arts teachers; as well as a Classroom Technology Grant, offering financial assistance that may be used to purchase technology or cover other associated costs.

Since our inception in 2010-11, we've had an annual growth rate of **MORE THAN 30%**.







5,000+

TEXAS TEACHERS TRAINED
IN ARTS & DIGITAL LITERACY
COURSE INSTRUCTION



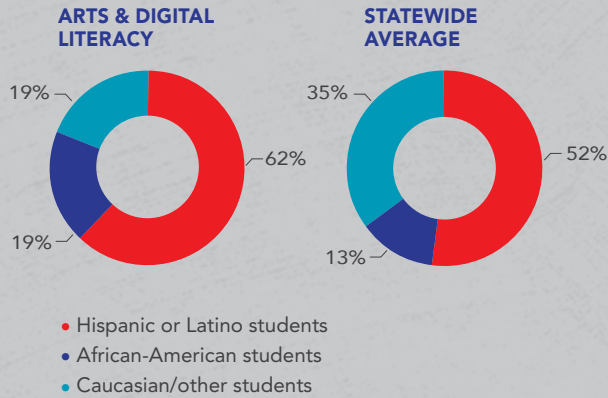
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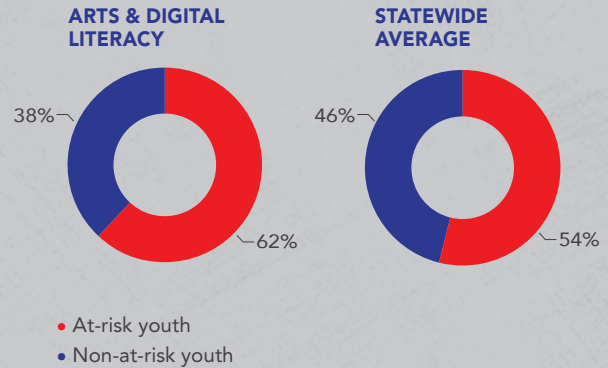
Over 75 teachers attend the 2016 Arts & Digital Literacy professional development institute, Digital Pioneers, at the AISD Performing Arts Center in Austin. Photo Credit: Mei Makino Photography

DEMOGRAPHICS AND OUTREACH

We serve more **STUDENTS OF COLOR** than the statewide average.

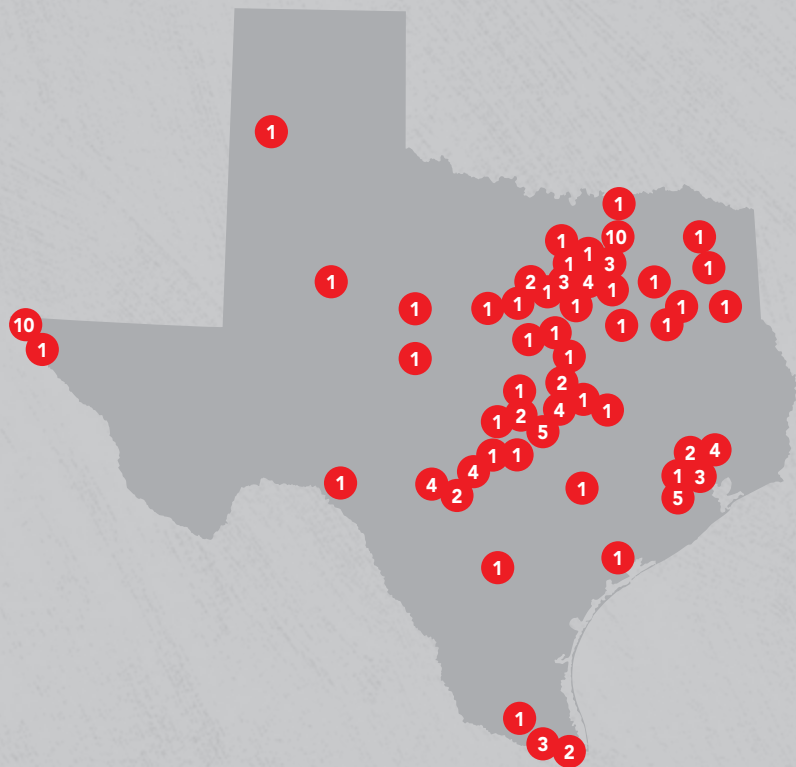


We serve more **AT-RISK YOUTH** than the statewide average.



NUMBER OF PROGRAMS OFFERED IN EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT

El Paso - 10	Hays - 1
Garland - 10	Henderson - 1
Alief - 5	Highland - 1
Austin - 5	Hillsboro - 1
Comal - 4	Idea Public Schools - 1
Dallas - 4	Katy - 1
Northside - 4	Kerens - 1
Round Rock - 4	Lexington - 1
Spring - 4	Liberty Hill - 1
Grand Prairie - 3	Manor - 1
Houston - 3	McKinney - 1
Plano - 3	Mesquite - 1
Pharr-San Juan-Alamo - 3	Mount Pleasant - 1
Aldine - 2	New Diana - 1
Brownsville - 2	Olton - 1
Fort Worth - 2	Richland Springs - 1
Georgetown - 2	San Marcos - 1
Lake Travis - 2	Silsbee - 1
San Antonio - 2	Snyder - 1
Alba-Golden - 1	Socorro - 1
Arlington - 1	Stamford - 1
Arp - 1	Three Rivers - 1
Calhoun - 1	Treetops School International - 1
Celina - 1	Tyler - 1
Comstock - 1	Waco - 1
Eanes - 1	Yoakum - 1
Ector - 1	
Edinburg - 1	
Forney - 1	
Glen Rose - 1	
Granbury - 1	



COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

All Courses are Available for Fine Arts Credit under the Current Fine Arts TEKS (Fall 2015).

The Arts & Digital Literacy Free Online Curricula is Available at www.artsdiglit.com

Theatre and Media Communications I

(PEIMS Code: 03251300)

Theatre and Media Communications II

(PEIMS Code: 03251400)

In Theatre and Media Communications I & II, students engage in pragmatic theatrical study coupled with video and audio design. Creation and analysis of student performances balance with exploration of contemporary practices in digital media. Students learn how to fuse traditional stagecraft with current technological applications to create new media, such as animations, digital images, and multimedia presentations.



Music and Media Communications I

(PEIMS Code: 03156400)

Music and Media Communications II

(PEIMS Code: 03156500)

The innovative music curriculum aims to ensure that all students, who may or may not have an extensive background in music, experience exciting, hands-on instruction in music while integrating digital media. The standards-based instruction focuses on fundamental music skills, but students will also explore and discover their own personal musicality using media-based resources for listening, recording, sharing, composing, and—most importantly—making music.



"The projects are very creative and challenging. It shows us there is a world of opportunity that can be achieved through technology and storytelling."

— Student, Manor High School, Manor ISD, Art and Media I

Art and Media Communications I

(PEIMS Code: 03500120)

Art and Media Communications II

(PEIMS Code: 03501230)

The pioneering visual art curriculum combines the powerful art principles with technology as a way to bridge traditional Fine Art education with contemporary digital media applications. One expected outcome is to equip students with 21st century skills that are highly sought-after by colleges and the workforce. The courses combine rigorous and relevant experiential study of modern, post-modern, and contemporary art and design with explorative student learning in various media platforms.

Dance and Media Communications I

(PEIMS Code: 03834500)

Dance and Media Communications II

(PEIMS Code: 03834600)

Students enrolled in Dance and Media Communications I & II will undertake diligent studies of dance history, dance technique, and choreography to explore how these elements translate to a digital medium. Through creation and analysis, students learn how to integrate traditional and contemporary dance with current modes of technology to reinvent the medium as they know it. The resulting product will take many forms, such as digital videos, websites, and interactive performances.

— The **ART** of —
Boosting
Graduation Rates



— The **ART** of —
Elevating Student
Test Scores



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INVEST IN THE ARTS. THE ARTS PERFORM.

2015 LEGISLATIVE CAMPAIGN



The arts perform for our state's economy now and prepare students to be **KEY CONTRIBUTORS** to this economy in the future.



The arts generate **\$5.1 BILLION IN REVENUE** for our state's economy annually.



The arts and culture industry contribute nearly **\$320 MILLION IN STATE SALES TAX REVENUE** each year.



\$150 MILLION IN LOCAL AND STATE REVENUE generated by arts and culture tourism each year.



At-risk high school students who complete more than one art class are **HALF AS LIKELY TO DROP OUT**.



80% OF TEXAS VOTERS support increased funding for the arts in schools.

A special thank you to the

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WHAT CAN

*Make Your Child Succeed
in School and in Life?*

ART CAN.



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ART CAN

2016 LEGISLATIVE CAMPAIGN

Art Can gives stakeholders, parents, teachers, administrators, and the Texas Legislature access to what the arts education landscape looks like in every public school district in Texas:

- Number of art classes offered
- Number of students per art teacher
- Number of fine arts credits earned per student
- Demographic statistics about each district in the state

Art Can helps identify bridges and barriers to access to arts education in our schools.

WHAT CAN? ART CAN.

Research shows us that:

- Arts build leadership skills, such as decision making and strategic planning.
- Music education improves early brain development, math, and reading skills.
- Arts help students develop life skills such as collaboration and team work, perseverance, social tolerance, and self-confidence

Art can help ensure a successful future for our students.

HOW CAN PEOPLE GET INVOLVED?

- Research shows 80% of Texas voters support increased funding for the arts in schools—the Art Can campaign provides a vehicle to turn that support into action.
- Texans can go to ArtCanTexas.org, click on the State of the Arts map to find data about their local public school district.
- Then, at the click of a button, Texans can reach out to their local school boards and legislators to express their support for continued and expanded access to arts education.

Together we can reach education policy makers across the state to ensure a bright future for our children and for Texas' vibrant economy. Art Can make a difference for Texas public school children—and for our state's future. **www.ArtCanTexas.org**



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PARTNERS: WORKING TOGETHER FOR THE ARTS

The Texas Cultural Trust is dedicated to increasing awareness and raising funds for the arts, and our efforts are amplified by the following partners who are instrumental in ensuring the success of our mission.



Grants, Information, and Technical Assistance for the Arts

The Texas Commission on the Arts was established by the Texas Legislature in 1965 to advance the state economically and culturally by investing in a creative Texas. By providing resources to enhance economic development, arts education, cultural tourism and artist sustainability initiatives, the Texas Commission on the Arts supports a diverse and innovative arts community statewide.

<http://www.arts.texas.gov>



TEXANS FOR THE ARTS

Political Advocacy for the Arts

Texans for the Arts is a nonpartisan advocacy organization that serves to provide information about legislative activity concerning the arts and advocate for the public funding of arts at the local, state, and national levels. To achieve these goals, Texans for the Arts works to develop and implement public policy that supports a strong and vibrant arts and cultural industry statewide.

<http://www.texansforthearts.com>

INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERS

The Institutional Partners Program allows arts organizations across the state to share information and promote collaboration that will raise statewide cultural awareness of the work art institutions continue to do on behalf of Texans everywhere. This program began as a component of the Texas Medal of Arts Awards and has evolved into a network to share information and innovation.

Abilene

Abilene Philharmonic Association, Inc.
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Amarillo

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Lone Star Ballet

Austin

Austin Children's Choir
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One World Theatre
Pollyana Theatre Company
Rude Mechanicals
Texas Book Festival
University of Texas Performing Arts Center
VSA Arts of Texas
Zachary Scott Theater

Corpus Christi

Art Museum of South Texas

Dallas

AT&T Performing Arts Center
Big Thought
Crow Collection of Asian Art
Dallas Black Dance Theatre
Dallas Children's Theater
Dallas Museum of Art

Dallas Opera
Dallas Summer Musicals
Dallas Symphony Orchestra
Meadows Museum, SMU
Meadows School of the Arts, SMU

Denton

Greater Denton Arts Council

El Paso

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Fort Worth

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Houston

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Houston Symphony
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Marfa

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San Antonio

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San Antonio Metropolitan Ballet
San Antonio Museum of Art
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Total raised = \$576,500

2016 GRANTS FUNDING

January, 2016
\$779,500

The Texas Cultural Trust was awarded more than \$750,000 from the Houston Endowment.

Art Can Texas focuses on arts education with the overall goal of the campaign to improve public support of funding for arts and arts education in the state's public schools.



May, 2016
\$60,000

The Texas Cultural Trust received \$60,000 from the Meadows Foundation for Arts & Digital Literacy Program. Grant to fund teacher training for low-performing schools with innovative art and technology curriculum engaging at-risk students.



TEXAS MEDAL OF ARTS SELECTION COMMITTEE

As the signature event of the Texas Cultural Trust, the Texas Medal of Arts Awards spotlight the power of the arts to the state's economy, to stimulate children's education, and to preserve the unique and proud Texas culture.

A respected group of statewide experts helped to award honorees in the following categories: Music, Film, Dance, Visual Arts, Corporate, Foundation and Individual Arts Patron, Multimedia, Television, Architecture, Theatre, Arts Education, Literary Arts, Design, and Lifetime Achievement.

Debbie Allen, Houston
Texas Medal of Arts Honoree, Dance

Brendon Anthony, Austin
Texas Music Office, Director

Gigi Antoni, Dallas
Big Thought, President; Texas Medal of Arts Honoree, Arts Education

Don Bacigalupi, Austin/Houston
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Texas Cultural Trust, Board Member;
Texas Medal of Arts Honoree, Multimedia

Mark Bordas, Austin
Anheuser Busch, Region Vice President of State Affairs; Silver Sponsor

Tina Brown, New York City
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Rebecca Campbell, Austin
Austin Film Society, Executive Director;
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Elaine Garza, Austin
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Dr. Gary Gibbs, Austin
Texas Commission on the Arts, Executive Director

Dean Gladden, Houston
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Dian Stai, Fredericksburg
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Texas Commission on the Arts, Commissioner

Kathleen Brady Stimpert, Austin
University of Texas at Austin School of Architecture, Chief Communications Officer

James Surls, Terrell
Texas Medal of Arts Honoree, Visual Arts

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MEET THE STAFF



Jennifer Ransom Rice

*Executive Director
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Jennifer Ransom Rice, Executive Director of the Texas Cultural Trust, brings decades of proven leadership to both her professional career and in her extensive community involvement. In 2013, she became Executive Director of the Texas Cultural Trust after serving as Development Director since 2010. Under her guidance, she created the Legacy Council in the fall of 2013 and was instrumental in growing the Trust's Texas Women for the Arts program. Jennifer brings a wealth of marketing and communications experience in public relations and state government. Jennifer previously served as chief of staff for state Senator Florence Shaprio, Communications Director for the Texas Comptroller, and as Press Secretary to the then-state Senator Tom Haywood. Other prior professional experience includes authoring a weekly column in *The Citizen's Journal*, a newspaper East Texas; working as News Director for a small radio station; serving as Assistant Director of Public Relations at Wadley Regional Medical Center Foundation in Texarkana; and assisting the president of a public affairs firm in Austin. Jennifer has also worked on several local and state political campaigns.

She has taken the lead in many volunteer positions, having lent her time and talent to a variety of arts organizations: Chair for Art Alliance Austin's Art After Dark (four years) and Stage Hands for Zach Scott Theatre (two years); member of the Director's Council at Ballet Austin and Texas Performing Arts, where she advises on how to deepen community outreach and engagement, and strengthen donor relations; and served on the board of Inherit Austin, Art Alliance Austin, Women's Symphony League, and the Umlauf Sculpture Garden and Museum. In 2014, she was appointed to the board of the Texas Lyceum, where she is one of 96 people from across the state identified as the next generation of top leadership.

Jennifer holds a Bachelor's degree in mass communications from Midwestern State University and a master's degree in journalism from the University of Texas at Austin, where she serves on the advisory council for the College of Fine Arts. She is a graduate of Leadership Austin in the 2010 class of Power Pipeline, administered by Leadership Texas.



Ellen Mason

*Communications Director
Texas Cultural Trust*

Ellen Mason, before being promoted to Communications Director, served as the Communications Manager for the Texas Cultural Trust since December 2013. With over ten years of experience in communications and marketing, Ellen develops relationships with the media and works to promote the Trust's various programs and partnerships. Before her work at the Texas Cultural Trust, Ellen worked in marketing and communications at numerous arts-related organizations including the Austin Lyric Opera, One World Theatre, Gibson Musical Instruments, MusiCares, and The GRAMMY Foundation, and Kenneth Cole Productions. She has also worked independently, providing consulting and project management services in marketing, promotions, and event planning. Ellen is actively involved in the community, serving as chair for numerous organizations and is on the board of the Wine and Food Foundation of Texas, and is an activemember of Wheatsville Co-op. She has served as a Chair for the Austin Film Society's Texas Film Hall of Fame Awards and has worked with the Texas Book Festival, serving as a Chair for the past seven years. Ellen is also on the Host Committee for the Blanton Museum of Art's Art on the Edge, where she has been an active member for several years.

Ellen holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in English from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas and an Associate of Arts Professional Designation Degree in Marketing from The Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandising in Los Angeles, CA.

**Claire Moyers***Development Manager
Texas Cultural Trust*

Claire Moyers, Development Manager, has worked for the Texas Cultural Trust since 2013. Claire cultivates strong interpersonal relationships with new donor audiences, manages and acquires corporate sponsors

and programming partnerships, and builds support for the Trust's many programs through grant funding. Prior to joining the Texas Cultural Trust, Claire managed and performed legislative duties on the House floor for the Texas House of Representative—83rd Legislature. She served as Development Assistant for the National Center of Missing & Exploited Children, formulating strategies for the acquisition of major gift and in-kind donations. Claire serves on the Board of Directors for Austin Symphony BATS, is a founding Host Committee member for ZACH Theatre's ACT ONE Young Professionals Group, and is a member of Texas Performing Arts' Social Series. Furthermore, she is a committed member of the Junior League of Austin and serves on the Philanthropy Day Committee for the Greater Austin Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals.

Claire holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Communication with a Minor in Business from Texas A&M University and a Master of Public Administration from Texas State University.

**Shannon Johnson***Operations Manager
Texas Cultural Trust*

Shannon Johnson works as the Operations Manager for the Texas Cultural Trust. She previously served 10 years under several notable state officials as a communications director and legislative aide. She also

has six years of experience in public and private schools, which armed her with a well-rounded approach to problem-solving and developing a wide array of interpersonal relationships.

Shannon holds a Bachelor of Arts degree with honors from The University of Texas at Austin where she was certified to teach both secondary Spanish and math and a master of science in media and communications from the London School of Economics and Political Science.

**Jamie Adling***Development Assistant
Texas Cultural Trust*

Jamie Adling, Development Assistant, has worked for the Texas Cultural Trust since 2015 first as an intern and now as one of the Trust's newest staff members. Prior to coming to the Trust, Jamie honed her skills

in development and administration while serving as an Assistant for ABH Productions and then as a Development Intern for the Actors Theatre of Louisville. With a Bachelor of Arts degree in Theatre from the University of North Texas, the arts have consistently been an integral part of Jamie's life and career goals.

Supplementing her education in and passion for the arts, Jamie also holds various certifications in communication and protocols, such as United Nations Institute for Training and Research certificates in Intercultural Communication and United Nations Protocol as well as the Protocol School of Washington's Protocol Officer Training and Certification. With these skills at her disposal, Jamie is not only able to advocate for the arts from a personal perspective but can effectively execute the goals of the Trust through communication and events.

**Carrie Williams***Education Programs Specialist
Texas Cultural Trust*

Carrie Williams, Education Programs Specialist, boasts six years of education and management experience prior to joining the Texas Cultural Trust as one of our newest staff members. While she

currently advocates for arts education in Texas, she has also advocated for the arts and literacy in other countries entirely. Having taught English and Art at both the Advantage English Private School in Japan and Singapore National Academy in Indonesia, Carrie has combined her love of travel and culture with her passion for education to provide resources to students across the globe.

Behind these experiences is a Bachelor of Fine Arts from the University of North Texas for Visual Art Studies and Art Education, and she is currently a Masters of Arts Candidate at the University of Texas at Austin for Art Education with Community Specialization. With both academic and real-world experience, Carrie continues to demonstrate her passion for meaningful arts education and raising awareness for social inequalities while advocating solutions to the disparities seen in Texas.



Texas Cultural Trust's mission is to be the leading voice for the arts in education, advocacy, and economic impact in Texas, spotlighting the artistic excellence of our state.

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