Agency Overview

• MISSION: The Ohio Arts Council is a state agency that funds and supports quality arts experiences to strengthen Ohio communities culturally, educationally, and economically.

• VISION: Providing leadership and voice for the arts to transform people and communities.

• INVESTMENT and INNOVATION
Agency Overview

- Founded in 1965
- Main offices in Rhodes State Office Tower, 30 East Broad St., 33rd floor
- Operates Riffe Gallery in Riffe Center for Government and the Arts
- Funded by Ohio Legislature and Ohio Governor
- OAC Board has 15 voting members, four non-voting
Agency Overview

• Fiscal year 2015 budget of $11.3 million

• Annual per capita, roughly $0.98, ranking Ohio 17th

• Awarded $9.9 million in grants to schools, artists, organizations presenting arts programming in FY 2014; overall request $14.4 million (69 percent)

• Funded 632 applications in FY 2014; received 1,067 applications (59 percent)
Agency Overview

- Competitive grant from NEA
- FY15 NEA grant $949,700, all granted out
- 2nd highest grant in nation – for the fifth year in a row
- Other funding received for Arts Education, Arts in Underserved Communities, Folk and Traditional Arts, Poetry Out Loud
Agency Overview

Ohio Arts Council Budget History 1966 - 2015

Federal Appropriations
State Appropriations
Leadership

Board Chair  Jeff Rich
Board Vice Chair  Ginger Warner
Executive Director  Donna S. Collins
Deputy Director  Dan Katona
Director of Innovation and Engagement  Christy Farnbauch
Constituent Investment/Grants Office Director  Dia Foley
Individual Artist Office Director  Ken Emerick
• Most grants require 1:1 match

• Average OAC dollar matched by $53 outside dollars

• Applications completed online via OLGA system since 2005, moving in November to new ARTIE (Arts Resources through Innovation and Engagement)

• Nonprofit organizations, schools, and individuals eligible to receive funding
Welcome to the Ohio Arts Council

News Article 1:
The Ninth Annual Ohio Online Visual Artist Registry Exhibition on View through January 10, 2015

The Ohio Arts Council (OAC), the Columbus Metropolitan Library and the Friends of the Library have joined together again to present the ninth annual Ohio Online Visual Artist Registry (OVAR) exhibition.

more on OVAR...

News Article 2:
NEA Announces $552,000 in Grants for 23 Ohio Artists and Arts Organizations

On December 2, 2014, National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) Chairman Jane Chu announced the agency’s fall 2014 grant awards for the first round of Art Works, as well as Challenge America, and Creative Writing Fellowships in Poetry. Grants totaling $552,000 were awarded to 23 artists and arts organizations throughout Ohio.

more on NEA grant awards...

News Article 3:
OHIO ARTS COUNCIL ANNOUNCES POETRY OUT LOUD: NATIONAL RECITATION CONTEST

High school students in Ohio invited to compete in national poetry recitation contest

The National Endowment for the Arts and the Poetry Foundation present the 10th annual Poetry Out Loud: National Recitation Contest, in partnership with the Ohio Arts Council. Poetry Out Loud is a program that encourages high school students to learn about great poetry through memorization, performance, and competition.

more on 2014-2015 Poetry Out Loud...
Grantmaking

- Organizations
- Arts Learning
- Artists
- Other Programs
Grantmaking

Organizations

Sustainability – March 1, 2019

Arts Access – March 1, 2017

• Project Support (will be newly defined)

• Building Cultural Diversity

• Capacity Building – December 1 & June 1

• Ohio Artists on Tour (fee support) – May 15

• Artists with Disabilities Access

• Arts Partnership – March 1
New Guidelines and New ARTIE Grants system will be launched November 2, 2015
Grantmaking

- Open, public panel meetings
- Peer review adjudication
- Competitive Grant process where clear criteria is used to score & evaluate applications
- Scores relate to grant $$ received
oac.ohio.gov
Other Resources

- Focusing the Light evaluation and program planning guides – FREE
Other Resources

- ArtsinOhio.com online event finder
- Artist on Tour Roster
- Ohio Arts Festivals & Competitions guide
- Percent for Art program and database
- Ohio Online Visual Artist Registry (OOVAR, www.ohioonlinearts.org)
- Individual Artist Opportunities database (calls for entries, internships, festivals, RFPs, etc.)
Other Resources

CINNATI PLAYHOUSE IN THE PARK
Ring of Fire: The Music of Johnny Cash
JANUARY 17, 2015 - FEBRUARY 15, 2015

FEATURED EVENTS

Drawn, Cut & Layered: The Art of Werner Pfeiffer
February 6, 2015 – May 3, 2015
For more than 50 years, Werner Pfeiffer (German-American, born 1937) has experimented with the multiple uses of paper as both a canvas and a structural material. Much of his work as a sculptor, printm...

Master Class at CATCO in Association with Opera Columbus
Feb. 11 March 1
February 11, 2015 – March 1, 2015
Maria Callas was a controversial diva of the mid-century opera world. She was lauded and scorned, cheered and booed; she was what the world desires ... a legend. In this imagining of her giving a Mast...

ALICE (in wonderland)
February 13, 2015 – February 15, 2015
Alice and the White Rabbit explore the magic of Wonderland.
Choreography: Septima Webra

Cleveland Jazz Orchestra - No Need for Words: LOVE in CLE
February 14, 2015 – February 14, 2015
No Need for Words: LOVE in CLE, Led by Sean Jones. How about a little musical foray with this Valentine's themed concert guaranteed to get you in the mood. A little sweet, a little seductive, and a...
Other Resources

Bowling Green State University
Bowling Green, OH

Anne Katrine Seestad

“Eternal” is a full wall mural consisting of 45 panels of photographic Archival C-Prints face mounted to 3/16th inch UV Gallery Plexiglass, back and front. The artwork covers the whole lobby wall length of 90 ft, with a 1/2 inch margin on the left and right side. Each panel is 71 1/2 x 06 inches in dimension and is projecting two inches from the wall. “Eternal” reflects the artist’s interests in light and color studies and the idea of expansive light and the notion of color/spectrums.

Artwork

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- **Arts in Autism**
  - Commissioned VSA Ohio on how OAC can support young people with Autism Spectrum Disorder

- **Artful Aging Ohio**
  - New initiative aims to study and encourage development of arts experiences and creative expression for older adults
Coming soon...

- New online grantmaking system
- Redesigned agency website
- Innovation and Engagement
- Celebrating 50 years of public support of the arts in Ohio!
Questions?

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