

# Building For the Arts

## 2023-2025

### History of Success

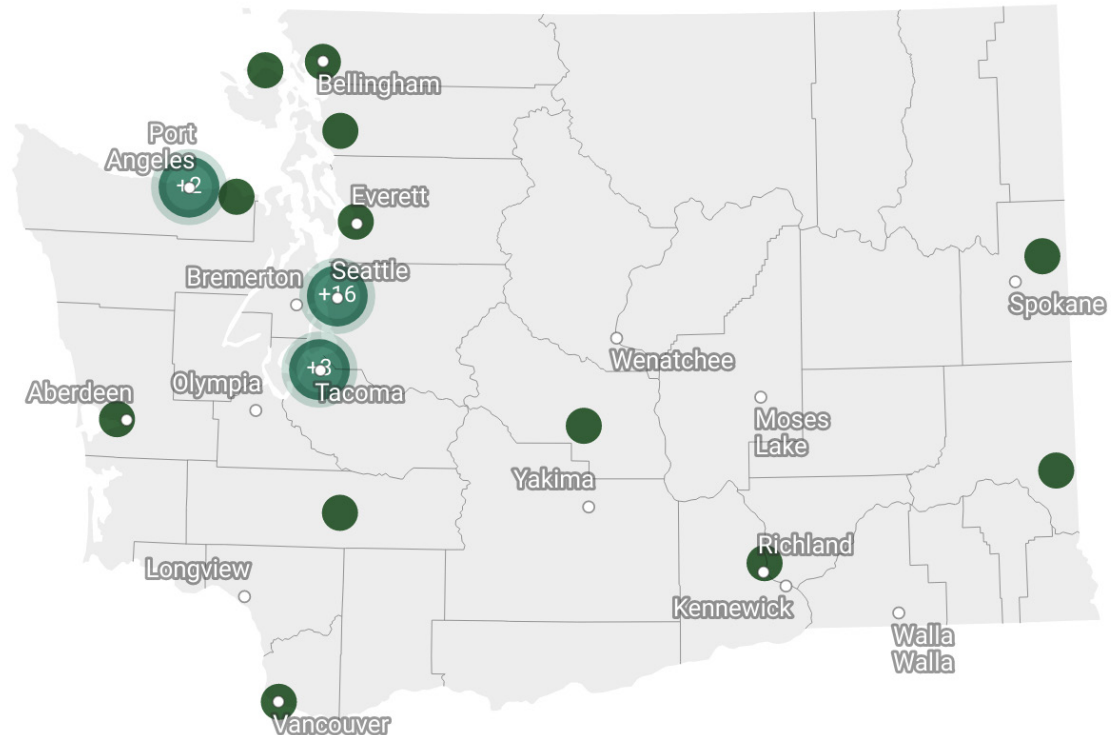
Since its inception in 1991, the Building for the Arts program has granted \$129 million in state capital construction funds for 262 arts projects in 30 counties across Washington State. Thanks to administration by the Department of Commerce and a citizens advisory board, only projects that have demonstrated sound planning, fiscal solvency, and an ability to raise substantial funds locally are recommended for funding. Reimbursement funds may not exceed 33% of total project costs, nor may they exceed \$2 million total per organization.

This year's Building for the Arts program recommends **32 capital projects** requesting a total of **\$18 million**.

Projects span: **14 counties** including; *Benton, Clallam, Clark, Grays Harbor, King, Kittitas, Lewis, Pierce, San Juan, Skagit, Snohomish, Spokane, Whatcom, and Whitman.*

**17 legislative districts** including; 4, 8, 9, 10, 13, 20, 24, 27, 34, 36, 37, 38, 40, 42, 43, 48, and 49.

See next page for project details.



### Building Significant Economic Impact

The 2023-2025 Building for the Arts program's request of \$18 million in the capital budget is only 16.4% of the \$109.5 million total cost of capital projects proposed, and is a modest investment in the returns it will bring to the state.

In addition to quality of life contributions these projects will bring to their communities, they will impact the state's economy through tax revenue and job creation. With construction completion required by the end of the biennium cycle, these projects are providing jobs in their communities now. When construction is complete, arts organizations and their patrons spur business and jobs in service industries, including in restaurants, hotels, and transportation.

#### Impacts of the \$109.5 million in construction expenditures on Washington's economy<sup>1</sup>:

|                               |                 |                                |                 |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Direct State Sales Tax</b> | \$6.41 million  | <b>Aggregate Sales Impacts</b> | \$256.9 million |
| <b>Direct Local Sales Tax</b> | \$2.88 million  | <b>Total Jobs Created</b>      | 1152            |
| <b>B&amp;O Tax</b>            | \$1.49 million  | <b>Labor Income Impacts</b>    | \$79.72 million |
| <b>Total Tax Impact</b>       | \$18.47 million |                                |                 |

<sup>1</sup>Estimates calculated using the 2012 Washington Input-Output Model produced by state agencies and legislative staff under the direction of University of Washington Professor Dr. William Beyers and the Office of Financial Management. For more information on Building for the Arts, please contact Katy Corella at [katycorella@artsfund.org](mailto:katycorella@artsfund.org).

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All projects have been selected through a competitive grant process, which includes a screening by Department of Commerce Staff and ranking by an advisory board of experts. Recommended projects have been determined to be in good financial standing and the work will be completed by the end of the biennium.

| 2023-25 BFA Projects*                                  | District | Request     |
|--|----------|-------------|
| <a href="#">Field Arts &amp; Events Hall*</a>          | 24       | \$2,000,000 |
| <a href="#">Tacoma Arts Live*</a>                      | 27       | \$2,000,000 |
| <a href="#">Fire Mountain Arts Council*</a>            | 20       | \$217,349   |
| <a href="#">Sequim City Band*</a>                      | 24       | \$401,206   |
| <a href="#">Imagine Children's Museum*</a>             | 38       | \$75,000    |
| <a href="#">Seattle Theatre Group*</a>                 | 43       | \$490,588   |
| <a href="#">Spokane Valley Performing Arts Center*</a> | 4        | \$1,848,557 |
| <a href="#">SIFF*</a>                                  | 36       | \$500,000   |
| <a href="#">Seattle Repertory Theatre*</a>             | 36       | \$1,200,000 |
| <a href="#">Orcas Center*</a>                          | 40       | \$350,000   |
| <a href="#">Cornish College of the Arts*</a>           | 43       | \$350,000   |
| <a href="#">Arte Noir*</a>                             | 37       | \$750,000   |
| <a href="#">Pickford Film Center*</a>                  | 42       | \$550,000   |
| <a href="#">Pacific Public Media*</a>                  | 43       | \$800,000   |
| <a href="#">MoPOP*</a>                                 | 36       | \$200,000   |
| <a href="#">Seattle Children's Theatre*</a>            | 36       | \$750,000   |

| 2023-25 BFA Projects - Continued                      | District | Request     |
|---|----------|-------------|
| <a href="#">Vashon Center for the Arts</a>            | 34       | \$115,000   |
| <a href="#">Seattle Symphony Orchestra</a>            | 36       | \$250,000   |
| <a href="#">Theatre33</a>                             | 48       | \$100,000   |
| <a href="#">Richland Players</a>                      | 8        | \$350,000   |
| <a href="#">Sea Mar Community Health Centers</a>      | 34       | \$350,000   |
| <a href="#">The Grand Cinema</a>                      | 27       | \$500,000   |
| <a href="#">Magenta Theater</a>                       | 49       | \$7,300     |
| <a href="#">The 5th Avenue Theatre</a>                | 43       | \$550,000   |
| <a href="#">Cascade Public Media</a>                  | 37       | \$1,000,000 |
| <a href="#">Highland Park Improvement Club</a>        | 34       | \$400,000   |
| <a href="#">7th St Theatre</a>                        | 24       | \$145,000   |
| <a href="#">Gladish Performing Arts Center</a>        | 9        | \$600,000   |
| <a href="#">Lincoln Theatre Center</a>                | 10       | \$350,000   |
| <a href="#">The Clymer Foundation</a>                 | 13       | \$100,000   |
| <a href="#">Ghostlight Productions</a>                | 24       | \$200,000   |
| <a href="#">Sahak Khemararam Buddhist Association</a> | 34       | \$500,000   |

\*Projects included in the Governor's Budget proposal

**Total Request: \$18,000,000**

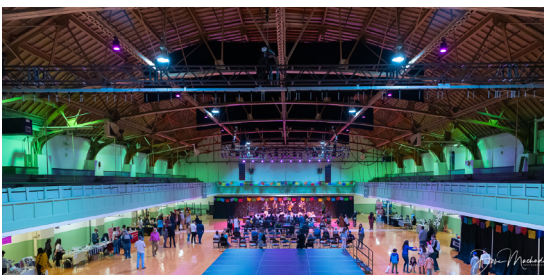


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