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2025–2027 BUILDING FOR THE ARTS CAPITAL GRANT PROGRAM

RECEIVES \$18 MILLION

On May 22, 2025, ArtsFund announced that with the signing of the 2025-2027 biennium state capital budget, the Building for the Arts program was awarded \$18 million, a receipt of the full funding requested for 38 capital projects across the state.

The Building for the Arts capital grant program was created in 1991 by ArtsFund and The Boeing Company to support Washington State arts and cultural organizations with facility improvements and expansion. Since then, this highly successful program has been awarded over \$147 million to support 294 projects across the state. In 2021, the law was changed to increase funding to the Building for the Arts program, with a total cap on funds requested at \$18 million, and up to a 33% match from the state for the individual projects, making more support for capital projects available for more arts and cultural groups.

“We are grateful to the legislators who recognized the importance of this program, especially during an incredibly challenging budget year,” said ArtsFund President & CEO Michael Greer. “Each project contributes to the economic prosperity and cultural vibrancy of their region, making improvements to necessary gathering spaces so they can continue serving every person who enters their doors. Building for the Arts funding being prioritized this biennium is a testament to the impact that arts and culture organizations have on the health of our communities, making them stronger and more resilient.”

ArtsFund thanks and recognizes the coalition of organizations with Building for the Arts projects, past and present, for their ongoing support of the program, as well the budget writers for their inclusion of full funding in the capital budget.

2025–2027 Building for the Arts Grant Recipients

American Urban Art & Graffiti Conservation Project | \$105,000
Centrum Foundation | \$878,000
Children of the Setting Sun Productions | \$878,000
Columbia Dance | \$46,000
Cornish College of the Arts | \$878,000
Estalita's Library | \$878,000
Filipino Community of Seattle | \$174,000
Friends of Lakewold | \$452,000
Friends of Little Saigon | \$878,000
Hip Hop is Green | \$153,000
Idaho Central Spokane Valley Performing Arts Center | \$878,000
Imagine Children's Museum | \$87,000
Khmer Buddhist Organization of Pacific Northwest | \$217,000
Kirkland Performance Center | \$152,000
Lincoln Theatre Center Foundation | \$753,000
Mini Mart City Park | \$149,000
Museum of Glass | \$878,000
Olympic Theatre Arts | \$154,000
Orcas Center | \$506,000
Power House Theatre Walla Walla | \$22,000
Puyallup Tribe of Indians | \$878,000
Red Eagle Soaring | \$176,000
Seattle Aquarium Society | \$878,000
Seattle Children's Theatre | \$290,000
Seattle Symphony Orchestra | \$878,000
Seattle Theatre Group | \$270,000
Schack Art Center | \$46,000

Stanwood Camano Arts Advocacy Commission | \$878,000

Tacoma Art Museum | \$878,000

Tacoma Little Theatre and Drama League | \$146,000

The Friendship Circle of Washington | \$230,000

The Rhapsody Project | \$200,000

The Seattle Griot Project | \$878,000

Totem Star | \$253,000

Warehouse Theatre Company | \$22,000

Wenatchee Valley Museum and Cultural Center | \$878,000

Whim W'Him | \$227,000

Woodland Park Zoo | \$878,000

For more information about the Building for the Arts program, click [here](#).

About ArtsFund:

About ArtsFund ArtsFund supports the arts through leadership, advocacy, and grantmaking in order to build a healthy, equitable, and creative Washington. ArtsFund was originally founded to bring corporate and civic leaders together to help establish and sustain our region's arts and cultural institutions. Over its grantmaking history, ArtsFund has granted approximately \$130M to over 1,000 organizations in 38 out of 39 Washington State counties. Through ArtsFund's advocacy work, including its longstanding arts impact research reports, which provide essential research on the value of the arts; and its leadership programs, like Board Leadership Training, which grow skills and build capacity among arts and cultural organizations, ArtsFund supports the health and wellbeing of our communities. Learn more at www.artsfund.org.