

THE GREATER PITTSBURGH ARTS COUNCIL ARTS LOUD AND CLEAR

OUR MISSION

To expand the reach and impact of the region's diverse and vibrant arts and culture community by providing leadership, advocacy, capacity building, and connections.

WHO WE ARE

The Arts Council champions the arts in Southwestern Pennsylvania, providing financial, professional, and political support for the arts and culture sector. Formed in 2005, we serve the region as a change agent for arts and culture in the political and business sectors. We believe that the arts transform lives and communities, and envision an equitable, innovative, and flourishing arts and culture community that shapes our thriving region.

WHAT WE DO

- Build a sustainable arts ecosystem in the region by providing funding to artists, organizations, and arts administrators
- Offer opportunities and resources to help artists and nonprofits create work, and spark collaborations
- Believe that arts and culture should be welcoming and accessible to all people regardless of economic, social, racial, or personal barriers and the inequities surrounding them
- Lead the region's research, funding, and arts advocacy efforts to spearhead bipartisan support for the arts on local to national levels
- Guide the arts and culture sector through industry crises

FUNDING

- Multiple individual grants remove financial barriers between artists and development opportunities
- Project and Program Stream grants support community projects and nonprofits through the PA Council for the Arts
- The Access Microfund helps arts organizations increase accessibility
- The Emergency **Fund for Artists** support artists through crises

PROFESSIONAL RESOURCES

- 50+ annual workshops and information sessions
- Volunteer Laywers and **Business Volunteers** for the Arts
- Peer Networks including Accessibility Peers, the Teaching Artist Initiative, Pittsburgh Emerging Arts Leaders, and Women in the Arts
- Art on the Walls uses offices to illuminate and sell locally made artwork
- HR Advisors provides members with free access to HR professionals

DIVERSITY, EQUITY, ACCESS & INCLUSION

- Lead the Network of Arts Administrators of Color **Pittsburgh** & convene the **Pittsburgh Coalition for Racial Equity in the Arts**
- Hold accessibility workshops hosted by national leaders and people with disabilities
 - Offer assistive technology equipment to the arts community
 - Provide free DEAL **trainings** for member organizations

ADVOCACY & PROMOTION

- Lead delegation for Arts and Culture Legislative Day and National Arts Advocacy Day
- Develop policy positions for political candidates and inform stakeholders on policy and mobilize local advocates
- Collect and interpret regional data about the impact of the arts
- Promote local arts and culture through Artsburgh.org

