

South Dakota Arts Council

FY27 Grants by City

Statewide

- Arts South Dakota: \$65,000.00. Statewide Services Grant supports statewide arts advocacy, artist networking, and professional development opportunities for South Dakota arts organizations and artists.
- South Dakota Art Museum: \$7,875.00. Statewide Services Grant supports a statewide traveling exhibition featuring South Dakota artists, exhibition catalogs, and public access to contemporary and Native art.
- Theatre 605: \$74,649.00. Statewide Services Grant supports statewide theater residencies, arts education programs, and culturally responsive community performances serving youth and underserved communities.

Aberdeen

- ACT 2, Inc.: \$27,131.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports theatrical productions, arts education activities, and community performances.
- Aberdeen Area Arts Council: \$10,153.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports arts education programs, workshops, and youth engagement activities.
- Aberdeen Recreation and Cultural Center): \$24,057.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports community arts programming, public events, and outreach activities.
- Fallout Creative Community: \$8,000.00. Project Grant supports launching a multi-disciplinary arts initiative in Aberdeen that connects music, visual arts, and film through three programs: a musicians' network, a visual arts club, and a film collective.
- Knedler, Epiphany: \$2,000.00. Artist Career Development supports the creation and exhibition of new interdisciplinary work exploring Midwestern histories for a fall 2026 exhibition at Ipso Gallery in Sioux Falls.

Belle Fourche

- Belle Fourche Area Community Theater: \$2,910.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports arts education programs, workshops, and youth engagement activities.

Brandon

- Mighty Corson Art Players: \$1,641.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports community arts programming, public events, and outreach activities.

Britton

- Northern Fort Playhouse: \$8,000.00. Project Grant supports present its 20th anniversary summer season at Fort Sisseton Historic State Park, featuring two full-scale productions performed by a professional and community-based ensemble.

Brookings

- Brookings Arts Council: \$11,880.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports community arts programming, public events, and outreach activities.
- Ritter, Erik: \$5,000.00. Artist Fellowship supports the artist's interdisciplinary practice through the development of immersive installation work integrating sound, movement, and interaction.
- SDSU (Prairie Repertory Theatre): \$18,665.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports providing intensive training for students within a professional repertory system while delivering high-quality entertainment to audiences across South Dakota.
- SDSU (South Dakota Art Museum): \$40,000.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports exhibitions, cultural programming, and heritage activities.
- South Dakota Music Teachers Association: \$3,500.00. Project Grant supports the annual three-day state conference in November 2026 at Augustana University, bringing together music educators, students, and guest artists for workshops, performances, and competitions across multiple disciplines.

Bryant Township

- Flute, Josh: \$5,000.00. Traditional Arts Apprenticeship Grant supports master artist, Josh Flute, in teaching traditional Dakota-style bow making.

Deadwood

- Days of 76 Museum Inc: \$5,750.00. Project Grant supports a two-day cultural event in Deadwood that highlights Native American heritage through parade participation, traditional dance performances, and interactive educational activities.

Eagle Butte

- Cheyenne River Youth Project: \$21,787.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports arts education programs, workshops, and youth engagement activities.

Lead

- Historic Deadwood Lead Arts Council: \$3,111.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports arts education programs, workshops, and youth engagement activities.

- Historic Homestake Opera House Society: \$18,748.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports arts education programs, workshops, and youth engagement activities.
- Webb, Sarah: \$6,000.00. Artist Collaboration supports the creation and exhibition of a collaborative photography and writing project exploring shared experiences of place.

Long Valley

- Bettelyoun, Trenton: \$2,000.00. Artist Career Development supports the artist's beadwork and quillwork practice through expanded materials and inventory development.

Madison

- Madison Area Arts Council: \$5,750.00. Project Grant supports sustain its year-round, free arts programming at The BrickHouse in downtown Madison, offering a diverse range of events including concerts, exhibitions, film screenings, literary events, and community art gatherings.

Martin

- Onward Learning: \$5,750.00. Project Grant supports a four-week, nature-based arts and enrichment initiative in Martin, serving children ages 5 to 14 primarily from low-income and Native American communities.

Mission

- Outlast Arts and Education, Inc.: \$8,000.00. Project Grant supports a five-day program in July 2026 serving 20 Native youth from the Pine Ridge Reservation, providing hands-on training in filmmaking led by professional artists and cultural mentors.

Mitchell

- Kolbeck, Danna: \$2,000.00. Project Grant supports the design and installation of four large-scale vinyl artworks on downtown storefront windows in Mitchell, transforming underutilized space into a permanent, highly visible public art installation reflecting local culture and history.
- Mitchell Area Council of the Arts: \$5,750.00. Project Grant supports a Community Art Making Space initiative to expand access to arts participation in the rural community of Mitchell through artist-led workshops and public art projects.

Pierre

- Pierre Players, Inc.: \$12,591.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports community arts programming, public events, and outreach activities.
- Waterfront Gallery for the Arts: \$2,750.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports visual arts exhibitions, artist opportunities, and community arts programming.

Pine Ridge

- Red Cloud Indian School, Inc.: \$25,727.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports arts education programs, workshops, and youth engagement activities.

Rapid City

- Backroom Productions, Inc.: \$3,500.00. Project Grant supports a series of five online workshops through its ArtSmart Institute to help regional authors navigate the publishing process, from editing and design to marketing and protecting their work.
- Black Hills Chamber Music Society: \$8,000.00. Project Grant supports a season of world-class chamber music performances and educational outreach programs in Rapid City, featuring professional ensembles and artists alongside student engagement opportunities.
- Black Hills Community Theatre, Inc: \$36,912.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports community arts programming, public events, and outreach activities.
- Black Hills Symphony Orchestra Society: \$12,374.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports concerts, music performances, and educational music programming.
- Black Hills Works: \$8,000.00. Project Grant supports creating an all-ability stage adaptation of The Little Prince in Rapid City, bringing together performers with and without disabilities to participate in an inclusive theater experience led by professional artists and volunteers.
- Catalyst Theater Company: \$3,872.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports fostering connection and dialogue through intimate, story-driven live performances that bring artists and audiences together.
- Chamber Music Festival: \$6,279.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports concerts, music performances, and educational music programming.
- First Peoples Fund: \$40,000.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports honoring and supporting the Collective Spirit of Indigenous artists and culture bearers by advancing Native arts, leadership, and cultural preservation.
- Hastings, John: \$2,000.00. Artist Career Development supports the professional recording, marketing, and release of a new music project to expand the artist's regional audience and career growth.

- Linn, Dennis: \$2,000.00. Artist Career Development supports the production and local presentation of a professionally printed children's illustrated book, advancing the artist's narrative storytelling practice.
- Massa, Alexander: \$5,000.00. Artist Fellowship supports the creation, performance, and recording of a new chamber jazz suite for a 7- to 9-piece ensemble.
- Performing Arts Center of Rapid City Inc: \$20,458.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports community arts programming, public events, and outreach activities.
- Racing Magpie: \$21,975.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports arts education programs, workshops, and youth engagement activities.
- Rapid City Arts Council: \$40,000.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports community arts programming, public events, and outreach activities.
- Rushmore Music Festival: \$8,000.00. Project Grant supports BeethoVAN, a community outreach initiative by the Rushmore Music Festival that brings live chamber music and public art directly to communities across Western and Northern South Dakota.
- Theatre 605: \$40,000.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports using storytelling to create meaningful impact and connection through the performing arts.

Sioux Falls

- All City PTO: \$5,750.00. Project Grant supports a collaborative, school-wide theatrical production in Sioux Falls that brings together students, parents, and staff to create a full-scale musical each year.
- Bormes, Steve: \$5,000.00. Artist Fellowship supports the artist's transition into larger-scale public art through design, rendering, and CAD skill development.
- Breathe Bravely Inc: \$5,750.00. Project Grant supports a 10-week, fully virtual initiative that pairs individuals ages 12+ living with cystic fibrosis with specially trained vocal instructors for weekly private singing lessons designed to improve respiratory health, confidence, and emotional well-being.
- Brooks, Cameron: \$2,000.00. Artist Career Development supports the artist's poetry practice through manuscript revision, editorial support, and submission to national poetry presses and competitions.
- DakotAbilities, Inc.: \$8,000.00. Project Grant supports year-round visual arts, inclusive theatre, and music therapy programming in Sioux Falls for 138 adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities, supporting personal growth through creative expression and individualized goals.
- Fellowship Jazz Center: \$8,000.00. Project Grant supports a three-concert jazz series in Sioux Falls featuring professional musicians from across the region, offering high-

quality performances alongside educational engagement such as open rehearsals and student participation.

- Friends of Levitt Shell Sioux Falls Inc: \$40,000.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports concerts, music performances, and educational music programming.
- Harmony South Dakota, Inc.: \$14,385.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports concerts, music performances, and educational music programming.
- Hilton, Autumn: \$2,000.00. Project Grant supports the creation of an 8' x 20' mural at Joe Foss High School in Sioux Falls, developed in collaboration with students and faculty.
- Jibben, Scott: \$5,000.00. Artist Fellowship supports the artist's music practice through the development of immersive Dolby Atmos recording techniques and studio upgrades.
- Journey of Hope: \$8,000.00. Project Grant supports the "Finding Hope Through the Arts" program, which provides trauma-informed, multidisciplinary arts programming for justice-involved youth ages 10 to 17 at the Minnehaha Juvenile Detention Center in Sioux Falls.
- Kaihoi, Susan: \$2,000.00. Project Grant supports the creation of a series of 10 large textile tapestries and 10 collages using repurposed fabrics and inspired by traditional quilt patterns.
- Koch, Andrea: \$2,000.00. Artist Career Development supports the artist's development of tactile, accessibility-focused sculptures designed for hands-on engagement, particularly for blind and visually impaired audiences.
- Madsen, Chad: \$2,000.00. Artist Career Development supports the artist's music career through professional recording and equipment upgrades.
- Mosaic: \$16,827.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports providing an inclusive space where people of all ages can learn, create, and celebrate through the arts.
- Ortiz, Fernando: \$2,000.00. Artist Career Development supports the refinement, presentation, and exhibition readiness of the artist's documentary photography exploring labor, environment, and shared spaces in South Dakota.
- Saidi, Habonimana: \$5,000.00. Traditional Arts Apprenticeship Grant supports master artist, Habonimana Saidi, in teaching traditional Burundian Royal drums to an apprentice.
- SculptureWalk Sioux Falls: \$34,159.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports becoming a leading, artist-friendly outdoor sculpture program by delivering high-quality, professional, and financially sustainable public art experiences year-round.
- Sioux Empire Community Theatre: \$40,000.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports arts education programs, workshops, and youth engagement activities.

- Sioux Falls Arts Council: \$8,113.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports community arts programming, public events, and outreach activities.
- Solace: \$5,750.00. Project Grant supports the Healing Arts (Move to Heal) Program is a trauma-informed initiative that uses movement, mindfulness, and creative expression to support youth survivors of sexual and relational trauma, delivered in partnership with the Minnehaha County Juvenile Detention Center.
- South Dakota Symphony Orchestra: \$40,000.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports concerts, music performances, and educational music programming.
- Su Fu Du Inc: \$5,750.00. Project Grant supports its upcoming performance season by funding uniforms, equipment, music, and artistic staff, strengthening both the quality and presentation of its drumline.
- Theatre Lab, Inc.: \$5,750.00. Project Grant supports two Sioux Falls productions in its 2026–2027 season — Betrayal by Harold Pinter and A Doll’s House Part 2 by Lucas Hnath — featuring local artists and complemented by community talkbacks, outreach partnerships, and accessible ticketing.
- Van Neck, Serge: \$2,000.00. Artist Career Development supports the artist’s photography practice through the creation and publication of a portrait series featuring local artists and entrepreneurs.
- Washington Pavilion Management, Inc.: \$40,000.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports community arts programming, public events, and outreach activities.
- Zoological Society of Sioux Falls DBA Sioux Falls Zoo and Aquarium: \$8,000.00. Project Grant supports the commission of a large-scale mural project inside its primate building to enhance visitor experience, support animal wellbeing through more naturalistic environments, and expand public art on its campus.

Spearfish

- Queen City Songwriters Incorporated: \$5,750.00. Project Grant supports a two-day original music event held in Spearfish, led by founder Heath Johnson and organized by Queen City Songwriters, Inc., featuring 20 to 25 regional and visiting songwriters alongside a national headliner.
- The Matthews Opera House and Arts Center: \$29,349.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports community arts programming, public events, and outreach activities.

Summerset

- Disney, Greg: \$5,000.00. Traditional Arts Apprenticeship Grant supports master artist, Greg Disney, in teaching the art of braiding Rawhide in the Vaquero style.

Vermillion

- Knedler, Cory: \$2,000.00. Artist Career Development supports the artist's return to studio printmaking through the creation of a new body of intaglio prints exploring memory and Midwestern visual culture.
- National Music Museum: \$40,000.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports concerts, music performances, and educational music programming.
- Park, Eun-Hee: \$6,000.00. Artist Collaboration supports the recording and performance of Georg Goltermann's cello and piano works through a collaborative classical music project.
- South Dakota Shakespeare Festival: \$8,000.00. Project Grant supports professional Shakespeare productions and community programming from May–July 2027 across multiple locations, including Vermillion, Sioux Falls, Aberdeen, the Minnehaha Juvenile Detention Center, and additional community venues with both live and streamed performances.
- Vermillion Area Dance Organization: \$3,500.00. Project Grant supports year-round dance classes and performance opportunities in Vermillion across multiple styles for participants of all ages and abilities, including specialized programming for adults with developmental disabilities.
- Vermillion Children's Choir: \$3,500.00. Project Grant supports year-round choral instruction and performance opportunities for approximately 40 students in grades 3 to 8, offering accessible, high-quality music education in the Vermillion area.
- Vermillion Community Theatre, Inc.: \$8,000.00. Project Grant supports a season of productions and youth programming, including two summer musicals, a holiday dinner theatre production of A Christmas Carol, and a children's theatre camp, serving Vermillion and the surrounding region.
- Vermillion Cultural Association: \$15,674.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports establish Vermillion as a regional creative hub by supporting and expanding access to arts and cultural opportunities.

Watertown

- Town Players: \$5,194.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports arts education programs, workshops, and youth engagement activities.

Worthing

- Olde Towne Theatre Co Inc.: \$14,242.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports community arts programming, public events, and outreach activities.

Yankton

- Yankton Area Arts Association: \$9,538.00. General Organizational Support Grant supports community arts programming, public events, and outreach activities.