Arts New Orleans
2024 Louisiana Project Grants
Parishes: Orleans, Jefferson, Plaquemines

Grant Activity Period: October 1, 2023 – September 30, 2024

Arts New Orleans provides funding to support arts and cultural activities in Orleans, Jefferson, and Plaquemines parishes through the Louisiana Project Grant Program. State funding through the Louisiana Division of the Arts under the Department of Culture, Recreation, and Tourism makes Louisiana Project Grants possible. Louisiana Project Grant funds are allocated to each region in the state per capita using the most recent census figures, allowing parishes to develop arts programming that addresses local needs.

2023/2024 GRANTEES

André Cailloux Center for the Performing Arts and Cultural Justice
$3,000
To support the Unity Festival, an annual end-of-year celebration of community and holiday traditions inspired by African-American history and culture.

Artivism Dance Theatre
$3,000
To support dance workshops for incarcerated youth at the Juvenile Justice Center, including dance therapy practices, technical training, and basic choreographic theory.

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$4,980.75
To support High Brow, a dance work that confronts Eurocentrism while highlighting the contributions of the African diaspora to American dance.

Borders Foundation
$3,400
To support the third annual PRIDE Fest, a day of music, food, and fun with entertainment by a slate of all LGBTQ-fronted bands and performers.

Creole Wild West
$3,000
To support the Creole Wild West's free Saturday workshops of onsite education for children in Mardi Gras Indian culture, including creating suits, the history of the tradition, and traditional Mardi Gras Indian music.

Dancing Grounds
$4,980.75
To support Dancing Ground's Dance for Social Change program, including the 2024 DSC Festival at the André Cailloux Center for Performing Arts and Cultural Justice on April 17 - 20, 2024.

Ellis Marsalis Center for Music
$3,967
To support and provide high-quality arts education programming for children and teens in New Orleans' Ninth Ward through the Center's Youth Music Education Program.
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**Friends of a Studio in the Woods**  $4,980.75
To support Replenish Residencies for local BIPOC artists, allowing them to create art and engage with nature during residencies at the Studio in the Woods.

**Friends of Lafitte Greenway**  $4,980.75
To support the Greenway Youth Music Series, featuring youth musicians from around New Orleans performing at the Greenway Plaza in October 2023.

**Friends of Treme Culture**  $3,400
To support the culture of Tremé by adding a second line parade to the annual Tremé Fall Festival.

**KM Dance Project (fiscally sponsored by Junebug Productions)**  $4,980.75
To support their 2023 Anniversary Dance Festival, which will celebrate ten years of service to local Black dancers and choreographers.

**Kid smART**  $3,000
To support free art mini-festivals in Broadmoor and the Seventh Ward designed for youth and family participation.

**Kids of Excellence Learning Center (fiscally sponsored by Goat in the Road)**  $3,000
To support the creation of a community mural that will be codesigned by a muralist, Kids of Excellence students, parents, teachers, and high school students.

**LMNL (Liminal) Lit**  $2,000
To support the publication of a literary anthology featuring an expansive collection of New Orleans-based writers and writers who traveled to the city to participate in the LMNL reading series.

**Louisiana Philharmonic Orchestra**  $4,980.75
To support *Music at the Museum*, a concert series that increases community access to cultural events and activates cultural spaces in various New Orleans neighborhoods.

**Lyrica Baroque**  $4,980.75
To support Multicultural Sounds presented in collaboration with Palacios House of Arts, a series of projects dedicated to offering exposure, access, education, performance opportunities, creative nurturing, and outlets for young musicians.

**Make Music NOLA**  $3,800
To support Make Music NOLA's Saturday and afterschool orchestra and chamber ensemble classes for vulnerable youth and incorporating local community artists at its Bell Artspace Campus.
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**Mamacita Social Aid & Pleasure Club** $3,400
To support the second New Orleans Chateau Flamenco Festival, which will present jazz artists, the Social Aid Pleasure Club Society from New Orleans and flamenco artists from Spain to bring to life the influence of the musical period in Afro Louisiana of the 19th century New Orleans and its influence in flamenco art.

**Mondo Bizarro** $4,980.75
To support *I Witness Our Coast*, a community-based arts project that addresses the region’s interconnected struggles against coastal land loss, environmental racism and displacement.

**Musicians for Music** $4,980.75
To support Ecos Latinos’ monthly performance and video series featuring Hispanic musicians, poets, dancers, and visual artists, at schools, hospitals, parks & festivals in New Orleans.

**New Orleans African American Museum** $4,497
To support *Welcome to the Afrofuture: Ground Zero*, a multimedia touring exhibition where contemporary artists use Black imagination and social movements to build community, rooting Afrofuturism as a path to human evolution and liberation.

**New Orleans Ballet Association** $4,980.75
To support the engagement of Complexions Contemporary Ballet for a public performance at the Mahalia Jackson Theater.

**New Orleans Film and Video Society, Inc.** $3,000
To support a two-day LGBTQIA+ Film Showcase to be held at the start of Pride Month on June 1 - 2, 2024.

**New Orleans Video Access Center** $3,000
To support the Community Documentary Cohort Series that trains new community storytellers with little to no media experience and to help amplify the voices of marginalized communities in New Orleans.

**NOLARTS LEARNING CENTER** $3,800
To support the STOMP Troopers Project, which works to increase participation in the New Orleans cultural community by those with special needs.

**One Book One New Orleans** $3,000
To support The Words & Music Festival, which emphasizes local works and ensures that New Orleans is represented in panels, presentations, and performances at the festival.
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**Rivers Institute for Contemporary Art & Thought**  
$3,400  
To support *I Will Keep My Soul*, an exhibition of film, poetry, performance, ceramics, archival documents, and books rooted in the social history, geography, and community of New Orleans.

**Tennessee Williams/New Orleans Literary Festival**  
$4,300  
To support the 21st annual *Saints and Sinners LGBTQ Literary Project* that includes writing workshops focused on the writer’s craft and the business side of the publishing industry.

**The Ella Project**  
$4,980.75  
To support a series of six free workshops targeting independent musicians that provide career development information and will include a new focus on developments with Artificial Intelligence and its influence on the music industry.

**Uptown Jazz Orchestra, Inc**  
$4,980.75  
To support a music program that provides New Orleans students access to quality performances of great American music, including jazz, blues, and Broadway show tunes.

**Xavier University**  
$4,300  
To support workshops that teach women who mask as New Orleans Mardi Gras Baby Dolls the culture and select songs in the language historically spoken by Louisiana’s African American Creoles.

**Young Starz Nola**  
$3,000  
To support the organization’s summer concert and eight-week artist development camp, which focuses on creating an inclusive environment that develops young artists in New Orleans.

**GRANT TOTAL – $127,033**