California Arts Council ARTS EDUCATION PORTFOLIO

A commitment to arts education is one of the California Arts Council's core values.

Arts education is an essential tool for healthy human development, student success and lifelong learning that must be available to all – in early childhood, during and after school, and for all ages.

Arts education is a foundational component of all four pillars of the California Arts Council Strategic Plan.

The Council implements a three-pronged approach to ensuring that all California children have access to high-quality, culturally relevant, and responsive arts education.

Supporting Arts Education for All California Children

Policy & Thought Leadership:

CREATE CA
Statewide Coalition

Research & Evaluation

Grant Programs:

Artists in Schools:
Engagement, Extension,
Exposure, and
Professional Development

JUMP StArts

Research in the Arts

Initiatives:

Poetry
Out Loud

Student Voices











POLICY & THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

Partnerships to build public will and resources for arts education

Create CA:

The California Arts Council is a leading organizational member of this statewide coalition of agencies, organizations and individuals partnering on an arts education reform movement that views the arts as an essential part of the solution to the problems facing California schools and a central piece of every child's education.

Research & Evaluation:

The California Arts Council engages in ongoing conversation with national and international colleagues regarding best practices, and the intrinsic and instrumental value and impact of arts education. These dialogues are supported by the Council's development of a grant program for Research in the Arts, rigorous evaluation of the CAC's arts education programs, and investment in data collection initiatives such as the Arts Education Data Project.

GRANT PROGRAMS

Supporting and championing diverse and effective arts education programs across the state

Artists in Schools – Engagement and Extension: Up to \$18,000 for collaborative arts education projects for PreK-12 students. Engagement projects take place on school sites during the school-day. Extension projects take place after school or during the summer, either on school sites or in community settings.

Artists in Schools – Exposure: Up to \$18,000 for field trip and assembly support to expose PreK-12 students to the professional arts.

Artists in Schools – Professional Development: \$2,500 to support arts integration training for classroom teachers facilitated by teaching artists.

JUMP StArts: Up to \$30,000 for collaborative arts education projects for youth involved in the juvenile justice system.

Research in the Arts: Up to \$50,000 for original research on the value and impact of the arts led by California-based researchers.

INITIATIVES

Taking action to innovate and engage by integrating the arts into all facets of education

Poetry Out Load:

Partnering with the National Endowment for the Arts and the Poetry Foundation, the California Arts Council manages this extraordinary, free program for high school students to learn and perform great poetry, and win prizes - including a trip to Washington DC to compete in the national finals.

Student Voices:

The California Arts Council has invested in this successful digital media initiative of the California Alliance for Arts Education. Student Voices empowers students to share their creativity by learning digital storytelling and creating videos about the meaning of the arts in their lives.