

DAH - ARKANSAS ARTS COUNCIL

Enabling Laws

Act 793 of 2007
A.C.A. §13-8-101 et seq.

History and Organization

Agency Mission Statement

The Arkansas Arts Council will advance and empower the arts for the benefit of all Arkansans.

Brief Discussion of Statutory Responsibilities and Primary Activities

The Arkansas Arts Council was established in 1966 to enable the State to receive funds from the National Endowment for the Arts. In 1971, Act 359 (A.C.A. § 13-8-101 et seq.) gave independent agency status to the Arts Council, with an executive director and a 17-member council appointed by the Governor. In 1975, the Arts Council became a division of the Department of Arkansas Heritage.

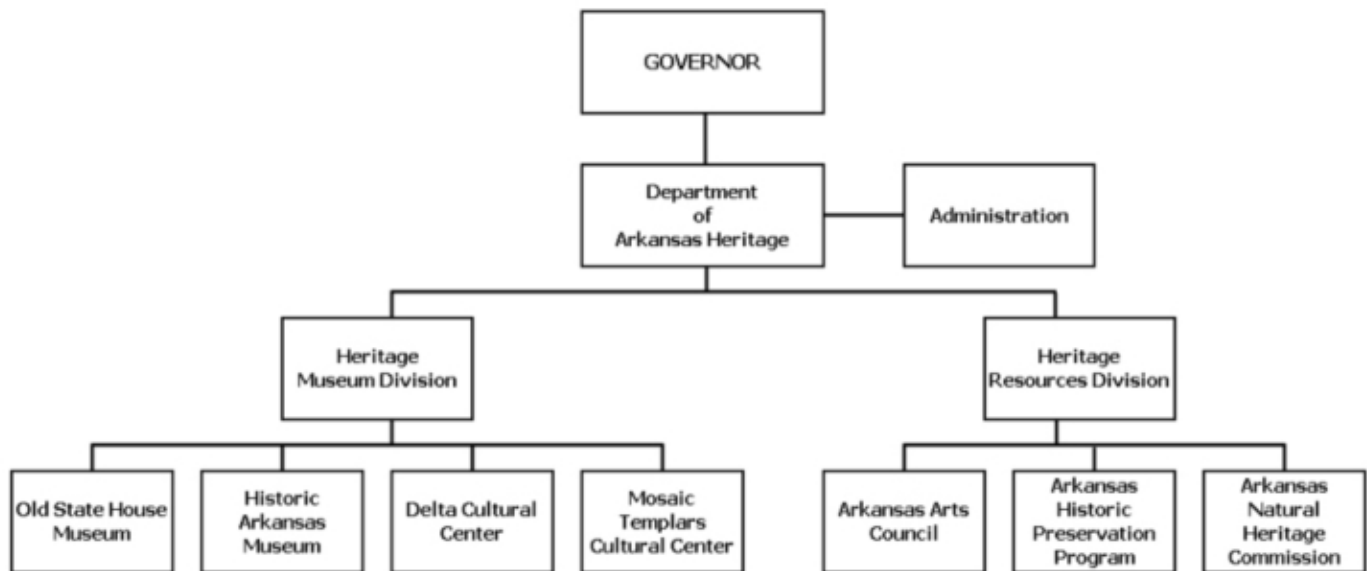
The Arts Council contributes to Arkansas's educational and economic development by investing state, federal, and private funds in community arts organizations, schools, youth service organizations, and other providers of cultural programs. The Arts in Education program funds artist residencies in schools and after school/summer programs. The agency provides operating support for established community arts organizations, and the Expansion Arts Program provides technical assistance and salary support to new and expanding arts organizations in rural and underserved areas. The statewide Arts on Tour program includes a diverse roster of Arkansas's finest performing artists - non-profit organizations and local governments are eligible to apply for funding assistance to present artists listed in the Arts on Tour Roster.

The Arts Council offers technical, supportive, and informational services for artists, administrators, and community leaders, as well as professional development opportunities for teachers and teaching artists. The Arts Council website provides information about the Council and contains online applications for the agency's various grant programs and artist rosters. The website, www.arkansasarts.org, also provides local, regional and national resource information to the arts community and the general public.

One of the most widely used on-line services at the Arts Council, the Arkansas Artist Registry, documents and promotes Arkansas visual artists.

Agency Board or Commission

The Arkansas Arts Advisory Council is composed of seventeen members appointed by the Governor for four-year terms. Two appointments are made from each of the eight planning and development districts, and one member serves at large. Council members meet each fiscal quarter and are charged with awarding all grant funds and with formulating policy for the future development of the arts in Arkansas.



Agency Commentary

See Agency Commentary in DAH - Central Administration.

Audit Findings

DIVISION OF LEGISLATIVE AUDIT
AUDIT OF :
DEPARTMENT OF ARKANSAS HERITAGE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

Findings

Audit findings are reported under DAH-Central Administration.

Recommendations

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Employment Summary

	Male	Female	Total	%
White Employees	2	7	9	90 %
Black Employees	1	0	1	10 %
Other Racial Minorities	0	0	0	0 %
Total Minorities			1	10 %
Total Employees			10	100 %

Publications

A.C.A. 25-1-204

Name	Statutory Authorization	Required for		# of Copies	Reason(s) for Continued Publication and Distribution
		Governor	General Assembly		
Annual Report	A.C.A. §13-8-106(f)	Y	N	1	Governor's Office request

Department Appropriation Summary

Historical Data

Agency Request and Executive Recommendation

Appropriation	2007-2008		2008-2009		2008-2009		2009-2010						2010-2011					
	Actual	Pos	Budget	Pos	Authorized	Pos	Base Level	Pos	Agency	Pos	Executive	Pos	Base Level	Pos	Agency	Pos	Executive	Pos
484 Arts Council-State Operations	740,419	8	748,939	8	731,275	8	769,880	8	2,785,125	8	769,880	8	780,834	8	2,796,714	8	780,834	8
486 Arts Council - Federal Program	589,820	2	628,230	2	624,659	2	633,764	2	671,134	2	671,134	2	635,668	2	673,038	2	673,038	2
943 Arts Council - Cash in Treasury	123,134	0	198,791	0	198,791	0	198,791	0	204,041	0	204,041	0	198,791	0	204,041	0	204,041	0
Total	1,453,373	10	1,575,960	10	1,554,725	10	1,602,435	10	3,660,300	10	1,645,055	10	1,615,293	10	3,673,793	10	1,657,913	10

Funding Sources		%		%		%		%		%		%		%		%		%
Fund Balance	4000005	154,483	9.9	103,705	6.6		4,470	0.3	4,470	0.1	4,470	0.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
General Revenue	4000010	740,419	47.6	743,086	47.0		769,880	48.0	2,785,125	76.1	769,880	46.8	780,834	48.3	2,796,714	76.1	780,834	47.1
Federal Revenue	4000020	589,820	37.9	628,230	39.8		633,764	39.6	671,134	18.3	671,134	40.8	635,668	39.4	673,038	18.3	673,038	40.6
Cash Fund	4000045	72,356	4.6	99,556	6.3		194,321	12.1	199,571	5.5	199,571	12.1	198,791	12.3	204,041	5.6	204,041	12.3
Merit Adjustment Fund	4000055	0	0.0	5,853	0.4		0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Total Funds		1,557,078	100.0	1,580,430	100.0		1,602,435	100.0	3,660,300	100.0	1,645,055	100.0	1,615,293	100.0	3,673,793	100.0	1,657,913	100.0
Excess Appropriation/(Funding)		(103,705)		(4,470)			0		0		0		0		0		0	
Grand Total		1,453,373		1,575,960			1,602,435		3,660,300		1,645,055		1,615,293		3,673,793		1,657,913	

Agency Position Usage Report

FY2006 - 2007						FY2007 - 2008						FY2008 - 2009					
Authorized in Act	Budgeted			Unbudgeted	% of Authorized Unused	Authorized in Act	Budgeted			Unbudgeted	% of Authorized Unused	Authorized in Act	Budgeted			Unbudgeted	% of Authorized Unused
	Filled	Unfilled	Total	Total			Filled	Unfilled	Total	Total			Filled	Unfilled	Total	Total	
10	10	0	10	0	0.00 %	10	10	0	10	0	0.00 %	10	10	0	10	0	0.00 %

Analysis of Budget Request

Appropriation: 484 - Arts Council-State Operations

Funding Sources: HRA - Arkansas Heritage Fund

This appropriation provides general revenue funding for the Department of Arkansas Heritage - Office of Arts and Humanities (Arts Council). Established in 1971, the purpose of this Agency is to provide a comprehensive statewide program for the support of arts in Arkansas by providing services and grants to support arts endeavors that encourage and assist Arkansas artists. In addition, the Arts Council staff assists with related arts projects, including surveys, research, and planning.

Base Level salaries for classified positions reflect the recommendations of the Pay Plan Study. A 2.3% Cost of Living Allowance is reflected in the second year of the biennium. The Base Level request for Regular Salaries includes Career Service payments for eligible employees. Personal Services Matching includes a \$75 increase in the monthly contribution for State employee's health insurance for a total State match per budgeted employee of \$425.

Base Level includes appropriation and general revenue funding of \$769,880 in FY10 and \$780,834 in FY11 and 8 Regular positions.

The Agency requests additional appropriation and general revenue funding of \$2,015,245 in FY10 and \$2,015,880 in FY11 for the following:

- Operating Expenses: Increase of \$15,245 in FY10 and \$15,880 in FY11 for projected increases in rent and for rising costs for travel related expenses and office supplies.
- Grants and Aid: Increase of \$2 million each year to support the Community Arts Development Program, which supports local art organizations and the statewide Folk Art Program, and the Arts in Education Program, which initiates and enhances arts programs in schools and local art agencies by providing direct interaction with working artists in residencies. This request will raise Arkansas' per capita level of arts funding to the national average.

The Executive Recommendation provides for Base Level.

Appropriation Summary

Appropriation: 484 - Arts Council-State Operations

Funding Sources: HRA - Arkansas Heritage Fund

Historical Data

Agency Request and Executive Recommendation

Commitment Item	2007-2008 Actual	2008-2009 Budget	2008-2009 Authorized	2009-2010			2010-2011		
				Base Level	Agency	Executive	Base Level	Agency	Executive
Regular Salaries 5010000	353,826	366,125	346,140	377,534	377,534	377,534	386,701	386,701	386,701
#Positions	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
Personal Services Matching 5010003	105,151	104,812	103,693	114,344	114,344	114,344	116,131	116,131	116,131
Operating Expenses 5020002	81,442	78,002	81,442	78,002	93,247	78,002	78,002	93,882	78,002
Conference & Travel Expenses 5050009	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Professional Fees 5060010	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Data Processing 5090012	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grants and Aid 5100004	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	2,200,000	200,000	200,000	2,200,000	200,000
Capital Outlay 5120011	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	740,419	748,939	731,275	769,880	2,785,125	769,880	780,834	2,796,714	780,834
Funding Sources									
General Revenue 4000010	740,419	743,086		769,880	2,785,125	769,880	780,834	2,796,714	780,834
Merit Adjustment Fund 4000055	0	5,853		0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Funding	740,419	748,939		769,880	2,785,125	769,880	780,834	2,796,714	780,834
Excess Appropriation/(Funding)	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0
Grand Total	740,419	748,939		769,880	2,785,125	769,880	780,834	2,796,714	780,834

The FY08 Actual and FY09 Budget in Regular Salaries and Personal Services Matching exceed the authorized due to salary adjustments during the 2007-2009 biennium.

Change Level by Appropriation

Appropriation: 484 - Arts Council-State Operations

Funding Sources: HRA - Arkansas Heritage Fund

Agency Request

Change Level		2009-2010	Pos	Cumulative	% of BL	2010-2011	Pos	Cumulative	% of BL
BL	Base Level	769,880	8	769,880	100.0	780,834	8	780,834	100.0
C01	Existing Program	2,015,245	0	2,785,125	361.8	2,015,880	0	2,796,714	358.2

Executive Recommendation

Change Level		2009-2010	Pos	Cumulative	% of BL	2010-2011	Pos	Cumulative	% of BL
BL	Base Level	769,880	8	769,880	100.0	780,834	8	780,834	100.0
C01	Existing Program	0	0	769,880	100.0	0	0	780,834	100.0

Justification

C01	The Arts Council requests additional appropriation and funding of \$2,000,000 each year for Grants. This will raise Arkansas's state arts funding from the FY08 level of \$.55 per capita (47th in the nation) to the national average of \$1.26 per capita, allowing the agency to adequately support the following programs: Community Arts Development, \$1,500,000; Arts In Education, \$500,000. The requested increase in Community Arts Development will increase the Arts Council's investment in local arts organizations and the statewide Folk Art program. The additional Arts In Education funding will expand artist residencies in schools and the after school/summer programs. Additional Operating Expenses are requested to cover office rental increases and increases in postage, office supplies, and travel costs for Council members, grant panelists, and staff.
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Analysis of Budget Request

Appropriation: 486 - Arts Council - Federal Program

Funding Sources: FHH - Natural & Cultural Heritage Federal

This appropriation provides for federal funding received from the National Endowment for the Arts. The Department utilizes this appropriation to provide art programs and grants to promote and assist Arkansas artists.

Base Level salaries for classified positions reflect the recommendations of the Pay Plan Study. A 2.3% Cost of Living Allowance is reflected in the second year of the biennium. The Base Level request for Regular Salaries includes Career Service payments for eligible employees. Personal Services Matching includes a \$75 increase in the monthly contribution for State employee's health insurance for a total State match per budgeted employee of \$425.

Base Level includes appropriation of \$633,764 in FY10 and \$635,668 in FY11.

The Agency requests additional grant appropriation of \$37,370 each year to enable the Agency to utilize additional projected funding from the National Endowment for the Arts.

The Executive Recommendation provides for the Agency Request.

Appropriation Summary

Appropriation: 486 - Arts Council - Federal Program
Funding Sources: FHH - Natural & Cultural Heritage Federal

Historical Data

Agency Request and Executive Recommendation

Commitment Item		Historical Data			Agency Request and Executive Recommendation			Agency Request and Executive Recommendation		
		2007-2008 Actual	2008-2009 Budget	2008-2009 Authorized	2009-2010			2010-2011		
					Base Level	Agency	Executive	Base Level	Agency	Executive
Regular Salaries	5010000	60,587	62,598	59,229	65,706	65,706	65,706	67,300	67,300	67,300
#Positions		2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Extra Help	5010001	0	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
#Extra Help		0	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Personal Services Matching	5010003	20,640	20,828	20,626	23,254	23,254	23,254	23,564	23,564	23,564
Operating Expenses	5020002	17,038	37,252	37,252	37,252	37,252	37,252	37,252	37,252	37,252
Conference & Travel Expenses	5050009	10,112	10,500	10,500	10,500	10,500	10,500	10,500	10,500	10,500
Professional Fees	5060010	8,298	7,970	7,970	7,970	7,970	7,970	7,970	7,970	7,970
Data Processing	5090012	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grants and Aid	5100004	473,145	486,082	486,082	486,082	523,452	523,452	486,082	523,452	523,452
Capital Outlay	5120011	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total		589,820	628,230	624,659	633,764	671,134	671,134	635,668	673,038	673,038
Funding Sources										
Federal Revenue	4000020	589,820	628,230		633,764	671,134	671,134	635,668	673,038	673,038
Total Funding		589,820	628,230		633,764	671,134	671,134	635,668	673,038	673,038
Excess Appropriation/(Funding)		0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0
Grand Total		589,820	628,230		633,764	671,134	671,134	635,668	673,038	673,038

The FY08 Actual and FY09 Budget in Regular Salaries and Personal Services Matching exceed the Authorized due to salary adjustments during the 2007-2009 biennium.

The FY08 Actual in Professional Fees exceeds the Authorized by authority of a Budget Classification Transfer.

Change Level by Appropriation

Appropriation: 486 - Arts Council - Federal Program
Funding Sources: FHH - Natural & Cultural Heritage Federal

Agency Request

Change Level		2009-2010	Pos	Cumulative	% of BL	2010-2011	Pos	Cumulative	% of BL
BL	Base Level	633,764	2	633,764	100.0	635,668	2	635,668	100.0
C01	Existing Program	37,370	0	671,134	105.9	37,370	0	673,038	105.9

Executive Recommendation

Change Level		2009-2010	Pos	Cumulative	% of BL	2010-2011	Pos	Cumulative	% of BL
BL	Base Level	633,764	2	633,764	100.0	635,668	2	635,668	100.0
C01	Existing Program	37,370	0	671,134	105.9	37,370	0	673,038	105.9

Justification

C01	The Arts Council received increased funding from the National Endowment for the Arts in FY09, and requests that appropriation for Grants be increased in anticipation of continued federal funding.
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Analysis of Budget Request

Appropriation: 943 - Arts Council - Cash in Treasury

Funding Sources: NNH - Arts & Humanities Cash

This appropriation is funded from cash receipts generated by registration fees, interest income and the sales of items purchased for display and for workshop sessions. The Agency coordinates an annual conference on the arts as well as several smaller conferences and workshops to support the education, organizational development, and marketing Arkansas's craft and traditional artists.

Base Level includes appropriation of \$198,791 each year of the biennium.

The Agency requests additional appropriation of \$5,250 each year in the Professional Fees line item to cover speaker costs for the annual Artlinks Conference. Artlinks is a annual statewide conference offering workshops and discussions conducted by nationally recognized and respected speakers who focus on issues of interest to the arts community in Arkansas.

The Executive Recommendation provides for the Agency Request. Expenditure of appropriation is contingent upon available funding.

Appropriation Summary

Appropriation: 943 - Arts Council - Cash in Treasury

Funding Sources: NNH - Arts & Humanities Cash

Historical Data

Agency Request and Executive Recommendation

Commitment Item		Historical Data			Agency Request and Executive Recommendation			Agency Request and Executive Recommendation		
		2007-2008 Actual	2008-2009 Budget	2008-2009 Authorized	2009-2010			2010-2011		
					Base Level	Agency	Executive	Base Level	Agency	Executive
Operating Expenses	5020002	3,693	18,250	18,250	18,250	18,250	18,250	18,250	18,250	18,250
Conference & Travel Expenses	5050009	915	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Professional Fees	5060010	0	250	250	250	5,500	5,500	250	5,500	5,500
Data Processing	5090012	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grants and Aid	5100004	118,526	179,291	179,291	179,291	179,291	179,291	179,291	179,291	179,291
Capital Outlay	5120011	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total		123,134	198,791	198,791	198,791	204,041	204,041	198,791	204,041	204,041
Funding Sources										
Fund Balance	4000005	154,483	103,705		4,470	4,470	4,470	0	0	0
Cash Fund	4000045	72,356	99,556		194,321	199,571	199,571	198,791	204,041	204,041
Total Funding		226,839	203,261		198,791	204,041	204,041	198,791	204,041	204,041
Excess Appropriation/(Funding)		(103,705)	(4,470)		0	0	0	0	0	0
Grand Total		123,134	198,791		198,791	204,041	204,041	198,791	204,041	204,041

Change Level by Appropriation

Appropriation: 943 - Arts Council - Cash in Treasury

Funding Sources: NNH - Arts & Humanities Cash

Agency Request

Change Level		2009-2010	Pos	Cumulative	% of BL	2010-2011	Pos	Cumulative	% of BL
BL	Base Level	198,791	0	198,791	100.0	198,791	0	198,791	100.0
C01	Existing Program	5,250	0	204,041	102.6	5,250	0	204,041	102.6

Executive Recommendation

Change Level		2009-2010	Pos	Cumulative	% of BL	2010-2011	Pos	Cumulative	% of BL
BL	Base Level	198,791	0	198,791	100.0	198,791	0	198,791	100.0
C01	Existing Program	5,250	0	204,041	102.6	5,250	0	204,041	102.6

Justification

C01	An increase in Professional Fees is requested to accommodate anticipated increased costs in speaker fees for the annual Artlinks conference. Funding for this request is provided by the Artlinks conference registration fees.
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