Arts, Culture, & Civic Engagement

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Civic engagement is about reimagining. The arts help us reimagine.

Sterling Speirn, President W.K. Kellogg Foundation
Arts and Civic Life

• Creative sector overview
• How we work with public partners
• Funding for the arts
• Candidate surveys/forums
• Poll places and poll worker training
We’re #1
LOS ANGELES IS THE CREATIVE CAPITAL OF THE U.S.

TOP 5 CREATIVE METRO AREAS IN THE U.S.

- Seattle Metro Area: 91,900
- San Francisco Metro Area: 95,700
- Los Angeles Metro Area: 418,200
- New York City Metro Area: 402,900
- Chicago Metro Area: 133,800
Creative Economy

18% of wage and salary employment
Embed Arts in Government

Public Funding

Celebrate Success

Build Relationships
Arts Vote Work

Candidate Surveys
Arts for LA conducts Arts and Culture Candidate Surveys of all candidates seeking office in any of LA County’s 88 cities and 81 school districts.

Candidate Forums
Holding Candidate Forums to discuss topics important to voters.

Non-Profit Polling Places
Making arts and cultural spaces polling places across LA County.

Legislation
Our work as advocates takes place not only locally, but also at the state and federal levels. For 2015-16, we are tracking the following bills and legislation.

Candidate Surveys
Candidate Forums
Arts & Culture Polling Places
Organizational Training – Nonprofit Electoral Rights
Legislation Tracking
Get Out The Vote Promotion

@Arts4LA
#ArtsVote
Candidate Forums

A Voice for the Arts in Greater Los Angeles

Candidate Forums on Culture & Creativity

Wednesday, May 11, at 7 PM, at Torrance Cultural Arts Center
Wednesday, May 18, at 7 PM, at A Noise Within Theatre

Learn More
Arts Polling Places

Arts for LA hosted a webinar on Tuesday, March 15, on the process of becoming a polling place:

PDF of slide presentation of webinar

Audio/video recording of webinar:

The webinar provided a overview of how to apply to become a polling place or be a host site to train other poll workers in the county. We also covered an overview of the #ArtsVote campaign and ways you can help us get out the vote in your organizations and communities!
QUESTIONS?
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