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Summary Information

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Scope and Contents

The Pennsylvania Council on the Arts is charged with the encouragement and development of the various arts in the Commonwealth, as well as ascertaining how these resources, including those already in existence and those which should be brought into existence, are to serve the cultural needs and aspirations of the cultural needs and aspirations of the cultural needs and aspirations of the citizens of the State. The mission of the Council is to strengthen the cultural, educational, and economic vitality of Pennsylvania's communities through the arts. The Council serves to engage the full potential of the arts to build community, motivate learning, support jobs, promote public objectives, and spark innovation. To this end, the PCA awards state and federal funds to arts organizations, programs and projects throughout the Commonwealth; supports teaching artist residencies in schools, Pennsylvania Senior Centers, Veterans Homes, and other healthcare settings; and offers valuable research and information services on a range of topics, including arts marketing, capacity building, and community development through arts strategies. Where special needs or opportunities exist, the Council takes direct action and has originated programs and partnerships such as the Preserving Diverse Cultures Division, Strategies for Success, the Folk and Traditional Arts Infrastructure, and the Creative Communities Pilot Initiative. The Council awards more than 1,600 grants and services per year.

The publications of the Council on the Arts contain educational guides. Selected topics from these publications include art for veterans. The bulk of the current material is dated from 2020.

Biographical / Historical

On January 26, 1966, Governor William D. Scranton signed enabling legislation for the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts (PCA).

Legacy Agency Names and Related Agencies

Office of the Governor (parent agency)

Conditions Governing Use

The Veterans Art Residency Resource Guide is a copyrighted publication, for which the Council on the Arts

has permitted educational use.

Other Finding Aids

For more information concerning the records of the Council on the Arts at the Pennsylvania State Archives, please visit: https://gencat.eloquent-systems.com/pennsylvania-state-archives/permalink.html?key=class956.

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