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## **Artist Communities Alliance Approved to Receive \$80,000 Grant from the National Endowment for the Arts**

[Providence, RI]—Artist Communities Alliance (ACA) is pleased to announce it has been approved by the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) for a Grants for Arts Projects award of \$80,000. This grant will support an international convening for the artist residency field, focused on deepening the capacity of artist residencies to serve artists.

In total, the NEA will award 1,127 Grants for Arts Projects awards totaling more than \$31.8 million that were announced as part of its first round of fiscal year 2025 grants.

"The NEA is proud to continue our nearly 60 years of supporting the efforts of organizations and artists that help to shape our country's vibrant arts sector and communities of all types across our nation," said NEA Chair Maria Rosario Jackson, PhD. "It is inspiring to see the wide range of creative projects taking place, including Artist Communities Alliance's conference."

"Artist Communities Alliance is committed to working with artist residencies to create a climate where artists and the people who power residencies can thrive," says Lisa Funderburke, ACA President and CEO. "ACA's virtual workshops and in-person conferences build organizational capacity, expand networks, and strengthen community for artists and artist residency operators. We are so grateful for the NEA's partnership in this work."

For more about the work of ACA, please visit: <https://artistcommunities.org/>

*ABOUT ARTIST COMMUNITIES ALLIANCE: Artist Communities Alliance (ACA) is the international service organization for artist residency programs and artist-centered organizations. ACA's mission is to advocate for and support artist residency programs as a means of advancing the endeavors of all artists. Founded in 1991, ACA currently has more than 300 members in 50 U.S. states and 20 countries and works on behalf of 1,500 residency programs worldwide. Since 2004, ACA has provided more than \$4 million in direct grant funding to artists and artist residency centers.*

For more information on other projects included in the NEA's grant announcement, visit [arts.gov/news](https://www.arts.gov/news).