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## *WyAA Arts and Culture Survey Responses*

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***What arts and cultural activities have you and your family members attended, participated in, or supported in the past year?***

- \* Dance, Theatre, Music, Film/Media, Literary Arts, Visual Arts. Spoken word poetry, storytelling.

***Considering your own personal background and education, what arts or cultural classes, programs or activities did you participate in?***

- \* Theatre, Film/Photography, Literary Arts, Poetry.

***What role do you believe Wyoming and/or local government should play in supporting arts and culture to enhance economic and community development?***

- \* The government should play a central role in advocating for the arts; arts advocacy \*is\* economic development and quality of life can't be separated from a robust art and cultural scene.

***What role do you believe Wyoming and/or local government should play in supporting arts and culture to provide a comprehensive education for Wyoming K-12 students?***

- \* Again, central. Every study confirms that art education has a constellation of effects on brain development, sense of identity, and cultural connection to your community. Arts education is vital and our kids deserve it.

***What role do you believe Wyoming and/or local government should play in supporting arts and culture to enhance quality of life?***

- \* We should fund it, we should participate and to the best our ability we should keep articulating its necessity so that others can be engaged.

**The recently-released ENDOW Report proposes increasing the Wyoming Cultural Trust corpus to \$100 million. Rank your degree of support for this proposal.**

\* Very Supportive

**The ENDOW Report also proposes a Creative Ready Community Grant and Loan Program that would expand state financial support for innovative arts-oriented community projects. Rank your degree of support for this proposal.**

\* Very Supportive

**The ENDOW Report also suggests making it easier for Wyoming communities to impose a local tax to build creative and cultural sector "capacity." Rank your degree of support for this proposal.**

\* Very Supportive

**For the 2018-19 grant cycle, the Wyoming Arts Council distributed more than \$800,000 in grant funds to local communities. (The total amount requested in 2018 was \$1.45 million.) How do you feel about this level of financial support to Wyoming communities and local arts organizations?**

\* Not Enough