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WyAA 2020 Arts and Culture Survey Response

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

* Dance, Theatre, Film/Media

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

* Film/Photography

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

* I think it's important that local and state governments help in supporting arts in local communities. Many communities, like those in House 28, don't have the kind of budgets and private donors to be able to support arts and humanities. I think that the state of Wyoming by offering grants to communities to bring artists to events is important.

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?

* Arts and Culture education is just as important as math, science, and literature. Offering students the ability to learn and express themselves in the arts leads to well-rounded community members. I think state/local governments need to stop allowing arts and culture classes as the first line casualties.

What role do you believe Wyoming and/or local government should play in supporting arts and culture, diversifying the local economy, and enhancing quality of life?

* Again, smaller communities can often have trouble bringing artists and things as such to their towns. It's important that the state offers assistance to smaller communities through grants and other aids. Many smaller communities have less to do and that can lead to issues with crime. Bringing artists to town to do shows and demonstrations allows the community things to enrich themselves.

Rate your level of support for a local-option sales or property tax to support cultural activities and development.

* Supportive

Rate your level of support for expanding the lodging tax to support cultural activities and development.

* Very Supportive

According to Americans for the Arts, statewide cultural district programs have been established in 14 states and more states are considering implementation of such policies. Rate your level of support for local cultural districts, funded by an expanded lodging, property or sales tax.

* Very Supportive