

#### **Candidate Survey**

2024-06-15 Mike Selmer (SD 10)

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

Are there any specific arts and culture activities from your experience that you would like to highlight as noteworthy or exceptional?

My grandchildren participate in a variety of programs, both in school, and as extracurricular activities. Of course, they are all exceptional. :-) My grandson has become an avid filmmaker.

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

Literary Arts, Drawing/Painting/Sculpting

# 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?

A healthy community has a vibrant and varied arts scene. Such a community is attractive to businesses and helps to stimulate local economies. I believe our state and local governments should actively support the arts.

### 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-I2 students?

It is important that our K-12 students are provided a well-rounded education. Art and Music classes and programs are critical components of such an education and should be fully funded.

## 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?

As large a role as possible while being fiscally responsible. Encouraging citizen and local business support for the arts should be an important function of our state local governments. (Note - the star function below does not appear to be working. I'm very supportive of the "extra penny" tax being a ballot option for voters and a voluntary property tax option for property owners.)

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

Very Supportive