# Budget 2020 Arts

## Budget 2020-21

- Alberta Foundation for the Arts funding: \$26.9 M
  - Reduction of 5% or \$1.4 M

## **Grant Funding Streams**

#### Alberta Foundation for the Arts (AFA)

 AFA Board of Directors to allocate program spending for operational, project, and individual grant and other programs later this spring.

## **Key Initiatives**

- Ongoing support for the AFA is key to support the development and growth of Alberta's arts sector.
- Arts Professions Act legislation is being developed to recognize artists, their economic and contractual rights, and the significant contributions they make to Alberta.
- Alberta is also the only province to offer a provincial Artist in Residence program. The Artist in Residence serves as an ambassador and advocate for artists in the province who helps elevate the role of artists and the arts in society.
- Taking place in September, Month of the Artist recognizes and celebrates the social and economic contributions artists make in the province. Alberta is the first province in Canada to dedicate an entire month to the celebration of artists.
- Also in September, Alberta Culture Days is the largest celebration of the province's heritage, arts, community spirit and cultural diversity.
   Communities across the province receive grants to host creative, family-friendly and free events during Alberta Culture Days, September 25-27.

 The Alberta Foundation for the Arts manages and shares an art collection of more than 9,000 pieces, valued at more than \$16 million, as a core part of its legislated mandate to support and promote the arts.

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