

ARTS COUNCIL OF FORT WORTH

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PRESS RELEASE

FORT WORTH CITY COUNCIL TO PROCLAIM OCTOBER ARTS MONTH IN FORT WORTH

Fort Worth, TX, October 11, 2018– The Fort Worth City Council will proclaim October 2018 as Arts Month in the City of Fort Worth. This will take place during the weekly City Council meeting at 7pm in the Council Chambers, Second Floor, City Hall, 200 Texas St., Fort Worth, TX 76102.

The Arts Council of Fort Worth encourages everyone who appreciates Fort Worth’s artists and performing and visual arts organizations to attend this public meeting and show their support for the hardworking individuals who help make this city a vibrant and inspired place to live, work and grow.

With this proclamation, Fort Worth joins thirty years of tradition in which the nation's 95,000 nonprofit arts organizations, the National Endowment for the Arts, the National Endowment for the Humanities, the nation's 4,500 local arts agencies, and the arts and humanities councils of the 50 states and the six U.S. jurisdictions have regularly issued official proclamations on an annual basis designating October as National Arts and Humanities Month.

On their website, Americans for the Arts provides the following description of National Arts and Humanities Month:

National Arts and Humanities Month was launched by Americans for the Arts more than 30 years ago as National Arts Week in honor of the twentieth anniversary of the National Endowment for the Arts. In 1993, it was reestablished by Americans for the Arts and national arts partners as a month-long celebration, with goals of: focusing on the arts at local, state, and national levels; encouraging individuals and organizations to participate in the arts; allowing governments and businesses to show their support of the arts; and raising public awareness about the role the arts and humanities play in our communities and lives.

(<https://www.americansforthearts.org/events/national-arts-and-humanities-month>)

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The Arts Council of Fort Worth is a nonprofit organization with the mission to create an environment that promotes, nurtures, and supports the arts in our community. The Arts Council was formed in 1963 to provide funding and leadership that would stimulate and assure the advancement of the arts throughout the Fort Worth community. Today, the Arts Council serves and responds to the needs of local artists, arts organizations, and residents through management of the Competitive Grants Program, Fort Worth Public Art Program and the Fort Worth Community Art Center.