



The Arts Council of Wilmington & NHC **2021** Year in Review

Our Mission

To support artists and arts organizations through innovative public/private partnerships that support jobs, stimulate commerce, and showcase the region as an arts destination.



More than 20 galleries and art spaces were part of Fourth Friday Gallery Nights, a monthly after hours celebration of art and culture.



A Venus Flytrap was recently unveiled at the entrance of ILM - one of three public art commissions overseen by the Arts Council.



The Wilmington Rail Trail, spearheaded by the Arts Council, will be an urban linear park with arts and cultural amenities.

Quick Facts

- Administered \$200,000 in ARPA funding for the City of Wilmington
- *Managed Broadway for a Better World* grants in partnership with the Wilson Center to provide free tickets for the underserved
- Installed 10 new Pedestrian Art public sculptures
- Oversaw the commissioning of \$250,000 in public art for Wilmington International Airport (ILM)
- Sponsored a Candidates Forum for the Arts for municipal races
- Awarded \$28,500 in Artist Support Grants to artists in New Hanover, Brunswick, Pender, Columbus, and Bladen Counties
- Received two grants to fund the design and engineering study for the Arts Council-led Wilmington Rail Trail
- Convened the Wilmington Arts Summit focused on safely reopening arts venues
- Granted \$50,000 in Grassroots Arts Programs grants to local arts nonprofits

Our Partners



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