

State Arts Agency Placement Details

This grid summarizes the structural composition of **multiagency** departments of state government **containing state arts agencies** (SAAs). It lists SAAs' "sibling" agencies as well as the leadership of their "parent" department.

Source: National Assembly of State Arts Agencies

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| Alaska State Council on the Arts | Department of Education & Early Development | <p>Has 8 divisions: Commission on Postsecondary Education; Division of Innovation & Education Excellence; Division of Finance & Support Services; Division of Libraries, Archives, & Museums; Mt. Edgecumbe High School; Professional Teaching Practices Commission; State Board of Education & Early Development; and State Council on the Arts</p> <hr/> <p>The State Council on the Arts is a quasipublic agency, after legislation enacted in 2017 redesignated it a "public corporation," that is housed within but legally independent from the Department of Education and Early Development.</p> | Commissioner | https://education.alaska.gov/ |
| Arkansas Arts Council | Department of Arkansas Heritage | <p>Has 8 divisions: Arts Council; Delta Cultural Center; Historic Arkansas Museum; Historic Preservation Program; Mosaic Templars Cultural Center; Natural Heritage Commission; Old State House Museum; and State Archives</p> | Director | www.arkansasheritage.com |
| Colorado Creative Industries | Office of Economic Development and International Trade | <p>Has 11 divisions and 4 subdivisions: Accounting & Operations; Business Funding & Incentives; Business Support (Cannabis Business Office; Employee Ownership Office; Minority Business Office; Small Business Development Center Network); Creative Industries; Global Business Development; Legislative Affairs; Marketing & Communications; Office of Film, Television & Media; Outdoor Recreation Industry Office; Rural Opportunity Office; and Tourism Office</p> | Executive Director | https://oedit.colorado.gov |
| Connecticut Office of the Arts | Office of Arts and Historic Preservation (within Department of Economic and Community Development) | <p>Office of Arts and Historic Preservation has 2 subdivisions: Office of the Arts; and State Historic Preservation Office</p> <hr/> <p>Department of Economic and Community Development has 10 divisions: Office of Arts and Historic Preservation; Office of Brownfield Remediation & Development; Office of Business Development; Office of the Commissioner; Office of Community Development; Office of Film, Television & Digital Media; Office of Finance & Administration; Office of Financial Review and Compliance; Office of Small Business Affairs; and Office of Tourism</p> | <p>Director</p> <hr/> <p>Commissioner</p> | https://portal.ct.gov/DECD |

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| Delaware Division of the Arts | Department of State | Has 23 divisions: Board of Pardons; Buena Vista; Division of the Arts; Division of Corporations; Division of Historical & Cultural Affairs; Division of Human & Civil Rights; Division of Libraries; Division of Professional Regulation; Division of Public Advocate; Division of Small Business; Export Delaware; Government Information Center; Merit Employee Relations Board/Public Employment Relations Board; Office of Alcoholic Beverage Control; Office of the State Bank Commissioner; Office of Veterans Services; Public Archives; Public Integrity Commission; Public Service Commission; Veterans Home; and Voluntary Disclosure Agreement | Secretary of State | www.sos.delaware.gov |
| Florida Division of Arts and Culture | Department of State | Has 8 divisions: Division of Administrative Services; Division of Arts and Culture; Division of Corporations; Division of Elections; Division of Historical Resources; Division of Library & Information Services; Office of Election Crimes and Security; and Office of International Affairs | Secretary of State | https://dos.fl.gov/ |
| Georgia Council for the Arts | Department of Economic Development | Has 10 divisions: Center of Innovation; Council for the Arts; Entertainment; Global Commerce; International Relations & Protocol; International Representatives; International Trade; Marketing & Communications; Rural Georgia Initiatives; and Tourism | Commissioner | www.georgia.org |
| Hawai'i State Foundation on Culture and the Arts | Department of Accounting and General Services | Has 8 divisions: Accounting Division; Archives Division; Audit Division; Automotive Management Division; Central Services Division; Land Survey Division; Office of Enterprise Technology Services; and Public Works Division Also attached: Access Hawai'i Committee; Building Code Council; Campaign Spending Commission; Hawai'i Enhanced 911 Board; Information Privacy Security Council; King Kamehameha Celebration Commission; Office of Elections; Office of Information Practices; Procurement Policy Board; State Foundation on Culture and the Arts; and State Procurement Office | State Comptroller | https://ags.hawaii.gov/ |
| Iowa Arts Council | Economic Development Authority | Has 2 divisions: Business Development; and Community Development Also attached: Iowa Cultural Trust | Director | https://www.iowaeda.com/ |

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| Kansas Arts Commission | Department of Commerce | <p>Has 5 divisions: Arts Commission; Business; Community Development; International; and Workforce Services</p> <p>Also attached: Governor's Council of Economic Advisors</p> | Secretary | https://www.kansascommerce.gov/ |
| Kentucky Arts Council | Tourism, Arts and Heritage Cabinet | <p>Has 13 divisions: Artisan Center in Berea; Arts Council; Center for African American Heritage; Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources; Department of Parks; Department of Tourism; Governor's School for the Arts; Heritage Council; Historical Society; Horse Park; Humanities Council; Kentucky Venues; and Performing Arts</p> | Secretary | https://tah.ky.gov/Pages/Home.aspx |
| Louisiana Division of the Arts | Office of Cultural Development (within Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism) | <p>Office of Cultural Development has 4 subdivisions: Council for the Development of French in Louisiana; Division of Archaeology; Division of the Arts; and Division of Historic Preservation</p> <p>Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism has 5 divisions: Office of Cultural Development; Office of Tourism; State Library; State Museum; and State Parks</p> | Assistant Secretary Lieutenant Governor | https://www.crt.state.la.us/cultural-development/ |
| Maryland State Arts Council | Division of Tourism, Film & the Arts (within Department of Commerce) | <p>Division of Tourism, Film & the Arts has 3 subdivisions: Film Office; Office of Tourism; and State Arts Council</p> <p>Department of Commerce has 3 divisions (8 subdivisions): Administration & Technology; Business Recruitment & Location Services; Office of Strategic Industries & Entrepreneurship; International Investment & Trade; Marketing & Communications; Military and Federal Affairs; Regional Retention; and Tourism, Film & the Arts</p> <p>Also attached to Department of Commerce: Public Art Commission</p> | Managing Director Secretary | https://commerce.maryland.gov/ |

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| Michigan Arts and Culture Council | Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) | <p>Has multiple divisions, including Arts & Culture Council; Office of Defense and Aerospace; Film & Creative Industries; Future Mobility; Historic Preservation; Outdoor Recreation; and Travel Michigan, among others</p> <p>MEDC is a quasigovernmental agency within the Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity, characterized by its oversight from the governor-appointed Executive Committee and its partnership with the Michigan Strategic Fund Board, a state entity that allocates state funds to support MEDC's activities.</p> | Chief Executive & Economic Competitiveness Officer (same person) | https://www.michiganbusiness.org/ |
| Missouri Arts Council | Lieutenant Governor's Office | <p>Has 2 divisions: Arts Council; and Office of Advocacy and Assistance for Senior Citizens</p> <p>Also attached: Buy Missouri Economic Development Initiative (a permanent initiative)</p> | Lieutenant Governor | https://ltgov.mo.gov/ |
| Nevada Arts Council | Department of Tourism and Cultural Affairs | Has 4 divisions: Arts Council; Indian Commission; Nevada Museums & History; and Travel Nevada | Director | https://travelnevada.biz/nv-culture/ |
| New Hampshire State Council on the Arts | Department of Natural and Cultural Resources | Has 5 divisions: Division of Forests & Lands; Division of Historical Resources; Division of Parks & Recreation; State Council on the Arts; and State Library | Commissioner | https://www.dncr.nh.gov/ |
| New Jersey State Council on the Arts | Department of State | <p>Has 14 divisions: Business Action Center; Commission on National and Community Services; Cultural Trust; Division of Elections; Division of Travel and Tourism; Governor's Office of Volunteerism; Historical Commission; Motion Picture & Television Department Commission; Office of Faith Based Initiatives; Office of Planning Advocacy; State Archives; State Council on the Arts; and State Museum and War Memorial</p> <p>Also attached: Arab-American Heritage Commission; Asian American Study Foundation; Commission on American Indian Affairs; Complete Count Commission; Ellis Island Advisory Commission; Ethnic Advisory Council; Hellenic-American Heritage Commission; Israel Commission; and Martin Luther King Commission</p> | Lieutenant Governor (who also serves as Secretary of State) | https://www.nj.gov/state/ |

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| New Mexico Arts | Department of Cultural Affairs | <p>Has 15 divisions: Administrative Services Division; Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum; Historic Preservation Division; History Museum/Palace of the Governors; Museum of Art; Museum of Indian Arts and Culture; Museum of International Folk Art; Museum of Natural History & Science; Museum Resources Division; Museum of Space History; National Hispanic Cultural Center; New Mexico Arts; New Mexico Historic Sites; Office of Archaeological Studies; and State Library</p> <p>Also attached: Cultural Properties Review Committee; and New Mexico Music Commission</p> | Secretary | https://www.newmexicoculture.org/ |
| North Carolina Arts Council | Arts Division (within Department of Natural and Cultural Resources) | <p>Arts Division has 3 subdivisions: Arts Council; Symphony; and State Art Museums</p> <p>Department of Natural and Cultural Resources has 4 divisions: Arts; History; Libraries; and Nature</p> | Secretary | https://www.dncr.nc.gov/ |
| Oregon Arts Commission | Business Oregon | <p>Has 4 divisions: Arts Commission and Cultural Trust; Business, Innovation & Trade; Director's Office and Operations; and Infrastructure Finance</p> <p>Fiscal agent for: Oregon Film and Video Office</p> <p>Also attached: Broadband Advisory Council; Futures Commission; Growth Board; Oregon InC (Oregon Innovation Council); and Seismic Rehabilitation Grant Committee</p> | Director | https://www.oregon.gov/biz/pages/default.aspx |
| South Dakota Arts Council | Department of Tourism | Has 2 divisions: Arts Council; and Tourism | Secretary | https://tourism.sd.gov/ |
| Utah Division of Arts and Museums | Division of Arts and Museums (within Department of Cultural & Community Engagement) | <p>Division of Arts and Museums has 2 subdivisions: Utah Arts; and Utah Museums</p> <p>Department of Cultural & Community Engagement has 9 divisions: Athletic Commission; Division of Arts & Museums; Historical Society; Indian Affairs; Multicultural Affairs; State Library; STEM Action Center; UServeUtah (Commission on Service & Volunteerism); and USHPO (Utah State Historic Preservation Office)</p> | <p>Director</p> <p>Executive Director</p> | https://community.utah.gov/ |

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| West Virginia Commission on the Arts | Department of Arts, Culture and History | Has 5 divisions: Administrative Division; Archives and History Division; Arts Division; Museums Division; and State Historic Preservation Office Also attached: Educational Broadcasting Authority; and State Library Commission | Curator | www.wvculture.org |
| Wisconsin Arts Board | Department of Tourism | Has 3 divisions: Arts Board; Council on Tourism; Office of Marketing Services; and Office of Outdoor Recreation Also attached: Kickapoo Reserve Management Board | Secretary | https://www.travelwisconsin.com/ |
| Wyoming Arts Council | Division of Cultural Resources (within Department of State Parks & Cultural Resources) | Department State Parks & Cultural Resources has 3 divisions: Administrative Services; Cultural Resources (Arts Council; Cultural Trust Fund; Office of the State Archaeologist; State Archives; State Historic Preservation Office; and State Museum); and State Parks, Historic Sites and Trails (including Office of Outdoor Recreation) | Director | https://wyospcr.wyo.gov/ |

The 26 SAAs above are divisions of multiagency departments. Not shown are the 23 SAAs that are independent agencies that report directly to the governor and/or are branches of the governor's office. Also not shown is the one SAA (the Vermont Arts Council) that is a private nonprofit designated by the state to receive appropriated funds and required to follow all state regulations.

For information on all of the 50 SAAs, visit:

<http://nasaa-arts.org/state-arts-agencies/saa-directory/>