

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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SAA	Details on the Multiagency Department Containing the SAA			
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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> <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	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	Director	www.arkansasheritage.com
Colorado Creative Industries	Office of Economic Development and International Trade	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	Executive Director	https://oedit.colorado.gov
Connecticut Office of the Arts	Office of Arts and Historic Preservation (within Department of Economic and Community Development)	Office of Arts and Historic Preservation has 2 subdivisions: Office of the Arts; and State Historic Preservation Office	Director	https://portal.ct.gov/DECD
		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	Commissioner	

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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	State Comptroller	https://ags.hawaii.gov/
		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		
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	Has 5 divisions: Arts Commission; Business; Community Development; International; and Workforce Services Also attached: Governor's Council of Economic Advisors	Secretary	https://www.kansascommerce.gov/
Kentucky Arts Council	Tourism, Arts and Heritage Cabinet	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	Secretary	https://tah.ky.gov/Pages/Home.aspx
Louisiana Division of the Arts	Office of Cultural Development (within Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism)	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	Assistant Secretary	https://www.crt.state.la.us/cultural-development/
		Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism has 5 divisions: Office of Cultural Development; Office of Tourism; State Library; State Museum; and State Parks	Lieutenant Governor	
Maryland State Arts Council	Division of Tourism, Film & the Arts (within Department of Commerce)	Division of Tourism, Film & the Arts has 3 subdivisions: Film Office; Office of Tourism; and State Arts Council	Managing Director	https://commerce.maryland.gov/
		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	Secretary	
		Also attached to Department of Commerce: Public Art Commission		

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Michigan Arts and Culture Council	Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC)	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 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.	Chief Executive & Economic Competitiveness Officer (same person)	https://www.michiganbusiness.org/
Missouri Arts Council	Lieutenant Governor's Office	Has 2 divisions: Arts Council; and Office of Advocacy and Assistance for Senior Citizens Also attached: Buy Missouri Economic Development Initiative (a permanent initiative)	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	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 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	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	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 Also attached: Cultural Properties Review Committee; and New Mexico Music Commission	Secretary	https://www.newmexicoculture.org/
North Carolina Arts Council	Arts Division (within Department of Natural and Cultural Resources)	Arts Division has 3 subdivisions: Arts Council; Symphony; and State Art Museums Department of Natural and Cultural Resources has 4 divisions: Arts; History; Libraries; and Nature	Secretary	https://www.dncr.nc.gov/
Oregon Arts Commission	Business Oregon	Has 4 divisions: Arts Commission and Cultural Trust; Business, Innovation & Trade; Director's Office and Operations; and Infrastructure Finance Fiscal agent for: Oregon Film and Video Office Also attached: Broadband Advisory Council; Futures Commission; Growth Board; Oregon InC (Oregon Innovation Council); and Seismic Rehabilitation Grant Committee	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)	Division of Arts and Museums has 2 subdivisions: Utah Arts; and Utah Museums 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)	Director Executive Director	https://community.utah.gov/

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Virginia Commission for the Arts	Secretariat of Education	Has 33 divisions: including Virginia Commission for the Arts; Department of Education; Virginia Museum of Natural History; The Science Museum of Virginia, and various universities	Secretary	https://vca.virginia.gov/
West Virginia State Arts Office	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	Secretary	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/>