

## How to Read the U.S. House of Representatives Arts Support Record

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**1** **Membership in the Congressional Arts Caucus as of 2/1/2016. The list is maintained by caucus co-chairs Reps. Louise Slaughter (D-NY) and Leonard Lance (R-NJ).**

Date: As of 2/1/2017  
Result: 155 Members  
Pro-arts: Member YES

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**2** **Membership in the Congressional STEAM Caucus as of 2/1/2017. The list is maintained by caucus co-chairs Reps. Suzanne Bonamici (D-OR) and Elise Stefanik (R-NY).**

Date: As of 2/1/2017  
Result: 77 Members  
Pro-arts: Member YES

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**3** **Cosigned a "Dear Colleague" letter on March 22, 2016 asking House appropriators to support an increased funding level of \$155 million for the National Endowment for the Arts in FY 2017. The letter was led by Congressional Arts Caucus co-chairs Reps. Louise Slaughter (D-NY) and Leonard Lance (R-NJ).**

Date: 3/22/2016  
Result: 149 Signatories  
Pro-arts: Cosigned YES. (Note, House Interior Subcommittee members typically do not sign these letters, but still support the ask.)

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**4** **Cosigned a "Dear Colleague" letter on March 24, 2016 from Reps. Paul Tonko (D-NY), David McKinley (R-WV), and Arts Caucus co-chairs Reps. Louise Slaughter (D-NY) and Leonard Lance (R-NJ) supporting "robust" funding for the Office of Museum Services in FY 2017.**

Date: 3/24/2016  
Result: 159 Signatories  
Pro-arts: Cosigned YES

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**5** **Previously voted to cut NEA funding by \$20.5 million**

Date: 2/17/2011  
Result: 112th Congress, Roll Call Vote 68; passed by a vote of 217-209.  
Pro-arts: Voted NO (124 members still in office voted for the cut)

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**6** **Participated in the 2016 annual Congressional Arts Competition recognizing high school visual art students from each participating U.S. Congressional district.**

Date: 6/23/2016  
Result: 426 Participants  
Pro-arts: Participated YES

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*Pro-arts position signified with a filled-in dot on accompanying chart.*

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