## THE NATIONAL ENDOWNENT FOR THE ARTS

## HELPS OUR COMMUNITIES THRIVE

Did you know, in 2016 alone, the NEA awarded a total of \$1,668,330 in federal grants to 44 nonprofit and governmental arts organizations throughout the state of Virginia?

These grants worked to enhance access to the arts for all, especially in underserved rural and inner-city areas. Of this NEA funding, more than \$700,000 went to the Virginia Commission for the Arts. The state then matched these federal funds and awarded grants to nearly 600 arts organizations across Virginia.

In recent years, four organizations in the Hampton Roads area received grants directly from the NEA, totaling **\$70,000**.

Congratulations to these organizations in our community:

Christopher Newport University
City of Newport News

Eastern Shore of Virginia Barrier Islands Center

**Virginia Museum of Contemporary Art** 



