



2024-2025

ANNUAL REPORT

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Arts Culture Catawba **promotes**, **nurtures**, and **funds** excellence in individuals and organizations who provide creative experiences that enrich the lives of residents and visitors of Catawba County.

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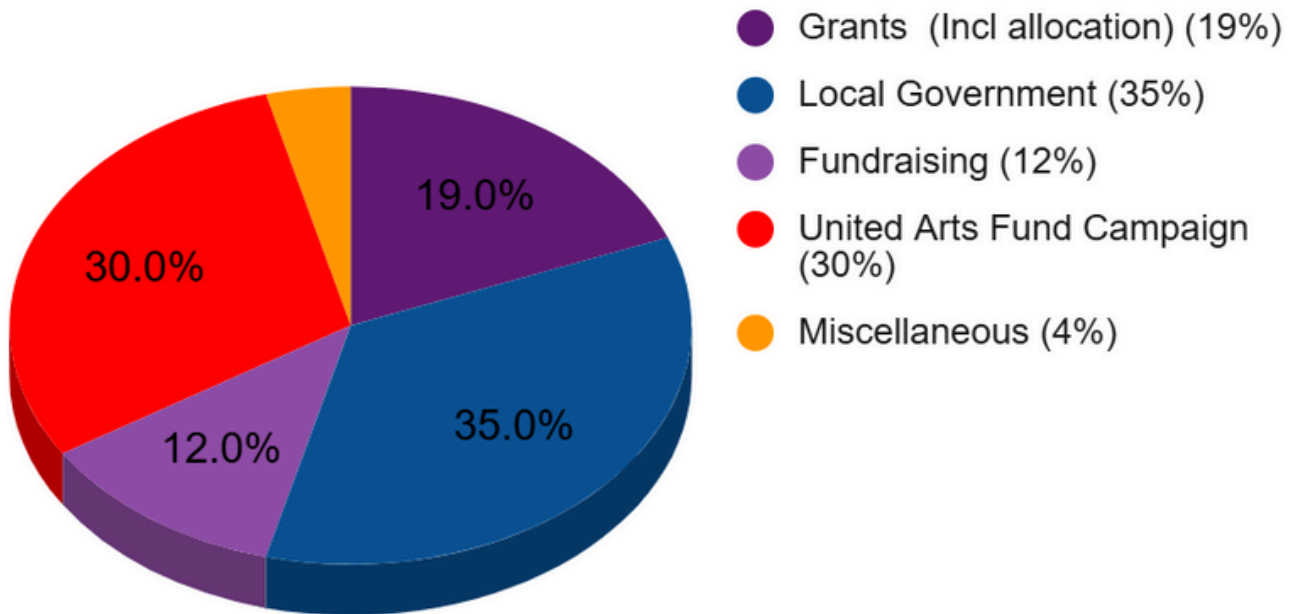
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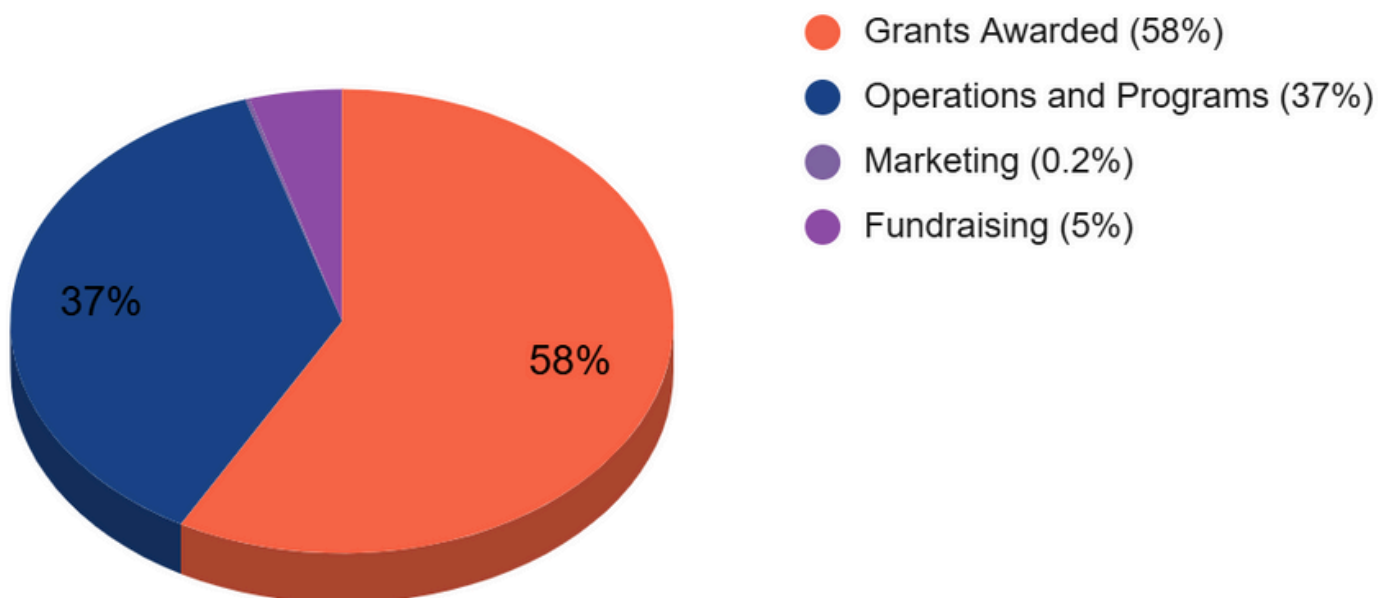
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2024-2025 in Numbers

REVENUE



EXPENSES



2024 United Arts Fund Allocations

\$183,986

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2 New Staff Members



Angel Pittman

Finance & Office Operations Associate



Kendra Williford

Marketing Manager

ARTS CULTURE CATAWBA WELCOMES

Rand Brandes



Partnership Manager

4 ART WALL EXHIBITIONS | 9 FEATURED ARTISTS



Brandon Pope | Nic Milam | Jenny Cody
Pablo Becerril-Osornio | Krystallin Loudermilk



Liz Yang



Stella Hughes | Jennifer Cline



Teena Stewart

4 MAKERS MIXERS



Ekphrastic Poetry



SALT Block Foundation Friends



Arts NC / Helene Relief



Photography

Helene Relief



Messages of Love and Hope

A Call for Art

Positive artwork and messages to be delivered and hung in area shelters to encourage our first responders and those affected by Hurricane Helene.

- Artwork is to be no larger than 11x14
- Must be created on heavy stock paper such as 140lb watercolor paper or canvas paper
- Please contact Arts Culture Catawba for a name of a specific shelter that artwork will be created for

Messages of Love & Hope
Western NC Arts Council

Creative Catawba Cultural Plan

4 Priorities



1. **EXPAND AWARENESS**
2. **REACH MORE RESIDENTS THROUGH STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS**
3. **CONTINUALLY IMPROVE ARTS & CULTURE OFFERINGS**
4. **BUILD CAPACITY AND INVESTMENT IN THE ARTS & CULTURE SECTOR**

2024-2025

Total Volunteer Hours:

1,195

Value of Volunteer Hours:

\$41,574.05



Total Grants Awarded in 2024-2025

\$394,017



2025 Edna Bost Barringer Young Artist Award

Aubrey Whitlow

Winner of the 2025

Edna Bost Barringer Young Artist Award
for Visual Art





2025 Katherine Greathouse Legacy Scholarship

A'chantis Bruce

2024–2025 Recipient of the
**Katherine Greathouse
Legacy Scholarship**

2024-2025

ARTIST SUPPORT GRANT RECIPIENTS

Artist Support Grant Region:

Alexander, Burke, Caldwell, Catawba,
Iredell, and McDowell Counties

Total Awarded:

\$28,025

Camantha Corsi*

Sierra Joyner-Kelso*

Amy Brooks

Nora Kinal

Shaina Dyson*

Justin Williams

Kelly Solesby

Adam Mackay

Xavier Johnson

Leon Pridgen II

Tracy Sherrill*

Daniel Leich

Jadaquis Smith-Jeffries

*Catawba County Resident



2024-2025

COMMUNITY CULTURAL FUND

GRANT RECIPIENTS

\$9,000

to fund FREE local events

Greater Hickory International Council

International Youth Film Festival

Centro Latino **Todos Somos América (We Are All America) Festival**

Downtown Newton Development Association

NewtonsGiving Event

North Carolina Hmong Woman Association, Inc.

Art for Health: A Hmong Perspective

City of Hickory, Town of Catawba, Town of Maiden

Juneteenth Events

2024-2025

COLLABORATIVE ARTS PROJECT GRANT RECIPIENTS

Total Awarded:

\$14,000

Catawba Science Center and Western Piedmont Symphony

Discovery Family Concert: Robots, Machines, and Music!

Hart Square Foundation and Footcandle Film Society

Folkways Film Series

Hickory Ballet & Performing Arts and Full Circle Arts

Collaboration for Nutcracker set design and student workshops

Historical Association of Catawba County and City of Newton

Juneteenth Celebration and Black History Exhibit

North Carolina Hmong Woman Association and Catawba

County Library Systems

Hmong Roots Through Kuv Camp:

A Journey in Hmong Language and Culture

2024-2025

INNOVATIVE ARTISTS PROJECT GRANT RECIPIENTS

Total Awarded:

\$13,800

Jermi Little

Chrishawn Fewell

Andrew Moose

Avery Bumgarner

Andy Thomason

Rachel O'Connor

Paul Hartis



2024-2025

GRASSROOTS -PROJECT POOL GRANT RECIPIENTS

Total Awarded:

\$140,695

AnandaRasa Catawba	Hickory Music Factory
Catawba County Senior	Hickory Playground
Nutrition Services	The Green Room Community
Catawba Science Center	Theatre
Centro Latino	Lenoir-Rhyne University
City of Conover	Newton Depot Authority
Downtown Newton Development	Hickory Museum of Art
Association	North Carolina Hmong Woman
Elementary Music Teachers of	Association, Inc.
Catawba County	Southwest Community Watch
Footcandle Film Society	TEDxCatawba / Greater Hickory
Hickory Choral Society	International Council
Hickory Community Theatre	Western Piedmont Symphony



Volunteers of the Year

**Kathleen & Hamp
Shuford**



Past Volunteer(s) of the Year Winners

Thomas L. Cilley	Mildred C. Shuford
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Irene Boliek	David Millholland
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