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## **Charlotte Ballet to Receive \$15,000 Award from the National Endowment for the Arts**

Charlotte, NC—Charlotte Ballet is pleased to announce it has been approved by the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) for a Grants for Arts Projects award of \$15,000. This grant will support the Reach Program. The NEA will award 1,127 Grants for Arts Projects awards nationwide totaling more than \$36.8 million as part of the recent announcement of fiscal year 2025 grants.

“The NEA is proud to continue our nearly 60 years of supporting the efforts of organizations and artists that help to shape our country’s vibrant arts sector and communities of all types across our nation,” said NEA Chair Maria Rosario Jackson, PhD. “It is inspiring to see the wide range of creative projects taking place, including the Reach Program.”

“The Reach program holds a special place in the heart of Charlotte Ballet and is essential to our mission! It provides young people with the opportunity to experience dance as a dynamic art form, guided by world-class dance educators. This exceptional program inspires students to explore the boundless potential of their imagination, strengthening their well-being and cultivating a deeper appreciation for the arts and its impact on so many lives throughout our community.” said Charlotte Ballet Executive Director Doug Singleton.

### About Reach

Reach is Charlotte Ballet’s nationally recognized need-based dance scholarship program, making beginning-level, quality dance training accessible to students who demonstrate the potential to be trained in dance. The program affords children the opportunity to access quality dance training in their neighborhoods free of charge promoting self-esteem, discipline, a strong work ethic, and an appreciation for the arts.

For more information on other projects included in the NEA’s grant announcement, visit [arts.gov/news](https://www.arts.gov/news).

