

About the Arts Awards

The Arts Awards bring together the arts community, business community, civic and elected leaders to celebrate the extraordinary contributions of artists, arts organizations, and the private sector for supporting the arts in Fairfax County, the City of Fairfax, and the City of Falls Church.

Jinx Hazel Arts Award

The Jinx Hazel Arts Award is named in honor of Mrs. Til (Jinx) Hazel, whose love and dedication to the arts greatly contributed to the cultural life in Fairfax County. This award recognizes an individual or organization who has exhibited dedication to the arts, and whose vision and commitment has played a significant role in the cultural life and enhancement of Fairfax County.

Past Honorees-

2017 Dewberry

2016 Dominion Resources Services

2015 Earle C. Williams

2014 Bill Reeder and Richard Kamenitzer

2013 Fairfax County Economic Development Authority

2012 John T. "Til" and Anne Hazel

Arts Education Award

The Arts Education Award recognizes an arts organization, or individual arts educator, that has provided superlative arts education opportunities, experiences, or training for youth, students of all ages, or emerging artists.

Past Honorees-

2016 Fairfax Choral Society

2014 CAPPIES of the National Capital Area

2012 McLean Project for the Arts

Arts Achievement Award

The Arts Achievement Award recognizes outstanding achievements of an artist in any discipline, who has produced unique, creative, innovative concepts in their work, and has made a lasting contribution to their discipline. The artist must currently reside in Fairfax County, or the Cities of Fairfax or Falls Church.

Past Honorees-

2017 Daniel Sheehy

2015 Rebecca Kamen

2013 Kathryn Fredgren

Arts Impact Award

The Arts Impact Award recognizes an arts organization of any discipline for an arts programming that has provided significant opportunity or impact based on the quality or transformational nature of the program and the breadth of individuals served.

Past Honorees-

2016 George Washington's Mount Vernon
2014 Greater Reston Arts Center (GRACE)
2012 Initiative for Public Art – Reston

Emerging Arts Award

The Emerging Arts Award recognizes a new or young arts organization (less than 5 years in operation) that has presenting quality arts programming, engaging a broad sector of the community in the arts. This award will be given to an organization in any arts discipline, or multi-discipline, in Fairfax County or the Cities of Fairfax or Falls Church.

Past Honorees-

2017 Washington West Film Festival
2015 Vienna Jammers
2013 Riverbend Opera Company

Arts Philanthropy Award

The Arts Philanthropy Award acknowledges private sector support of the arts in Fairfax County and/or the Cities of Fairfax and Falls Church, by honoring an individual, corporation or foundation that has provided leadership funding or long-term monetary support, or significant investment in the arts.

Past Honorees-

2017 Todd Hitt
2016 Jack Kent Cooke Foundation
2015 Richard Hausler, Insight Property Group LLC
2014 Pat and Steve Macintyre
2013 Cityline Partners, LLC
2012 EnviroSolutions, Inc.