

Dear Governor ( )

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Dear Representative ( )

I am writing to thank you for your support of the Wisconsin Arts Board and the important work it does with extremely limited resources to foster the quality of life, the effectiveness of education, and the evolution of our State's creative economy.

With the grant of \$x that we just received from the Arts Board's Creation and Presentation grant program, we will serve more than x people in *Northwestern Wisconsin* (including x number of schoolchildren from your district) with performances at our facility.

The fact that, faced with limited funding and increasing pressures, their teachers will bring more than x number of children to our Student Series this year testifies to the ability of the arts to engage kids in learning. Among the dozen activities chosen to supplement the K-12 curriculum is the extraordinary x group in April. More than x number of students from our area will experience the life-affirming message of these remarkable artists.

The evening events made possible by Arts Board support range from national stars like x to great artists who are home-grown right here in Wisconsin. I have enclosed further information about (our organization) and our upcoming events. We would like to invite you to join us before x performance on x date to welcome the audience and underscore the State's crucial role in making the arts available to all. Please let me know if you can come by (date one week from today).

The Wisconsin Arts Board receives just pennies from our taxes each year. Those funds then pass directly to communities throughout Wisconsin to make sure that arts activity takes place all over the state. In our community, those pennies will enhance the quality of life, education, entertainment, creativity, commercial and civic vitality. You should also know that the Wisconsin Arts Board provides us access to critical advice, mutual support, and best practices. Thanks to you for your commitment to the Arts Board's important work.

I look forward to your response regarding joining me on x date.

Sincerely,