

2019 Annual Artist Survey

WHAT WASHINGTON STATE ARTISTS NEED TO THRIVE

Our Annual Artist Survey helps us build responsive programming and create new opportunities to support, connect, and advocate for artists. The results of this survey allow us to better understand the artists we serve and share information from responding artists with other artist-serving organizations. With greater knowledge about the needs of artists around the state, we can all work to provide better support and further elevate the voices of Washington's artists. Our key findings are featured below and the full report on this research is available at artisttrust.org.

Whether you are an artist, arts administrator, a politician, or an arts advocate, you can put our survey findings to work!

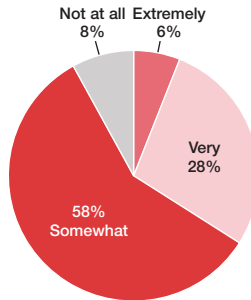


SUPPORT

The top services artists need from artists-supporting organizations are **funding (64%), presentation opportunities (35%), and networking events (27%).**

The major challenges in artists' careers were identified as **marketing, building new audiences and finding financial stability.**

How supported and valued are artists where you live?

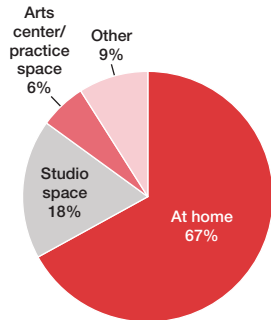


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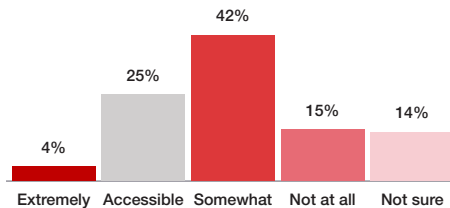
56% of artists said **space** to make/practice their work is **not affordable** where they live.

83% of artists said **connecting with other artists** is important to their practice.

Where do you make/practice your art?



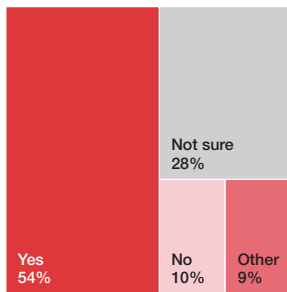
How accessible are artist support services in the town/city where you live?



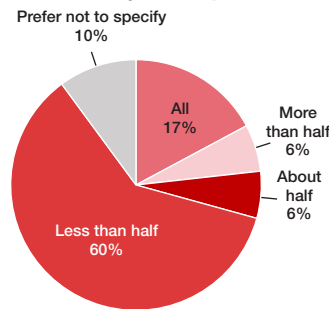
ADVOCATE

93% of artists said they are **registered to vote in Washington State** and are most concerned with issues centered around **arts funding and access to affordable housing and health care.**

Is racial equity in the arts important where you live?



How much of your annual income comes from your art practice?



NOTE: This data reflects the answers of Washington State artists who took the 2019 survey. Percentages are rounded to the nearest whole and may not equal 100 as a result.



Share it

to spread the word about the needs of artists in Washington State.



Discuss it

to figure out what this information means to you and your community.



Apply it

to your advocacy work, community building, and constructive conversations about the arts in Washington State.

About Artist Trust

ARTIST TRUST'S MISSION is to support and encourage artists working in all disciplines to enrich community life throughout Washington State. Since 1986, Artist Trust has invested over \$10 million in individual artists through grant programs, and provides a comprehensive suite of professional development training and resources to help artists achieve their career goals. For more information about Artist Trust, please visit artisttrust.org.

