



# Minnesota Arts, Culture and Humanities Giving Facts

Grantmaking to Arts, Culture & Humanities includes contributions to the Performing Arts, Museums, Media/Communications, Arts/Cultural Organizations, Historical Societies, Visual Arts, Humanities, and Arts Services.

## How Much Do Minnesota Grantmakers Give to Arts, Culture and Humanities?

In 2006, Minnesota grantmakers gave almost \$111 million in grants to the Arts, comprising a 14-percent share of total Minnesota grant dollars. This is a decrease of almost 6 percent, as compared to 2005. Declines were due in part to the conclusion of capital campaigns by several major arts organizations, such as Minnesota Public Radio, the Walker Art Center, the Children's Theater Company, the Guthrie Theatre, and the Minneapolis Institute of Arts.

## Where Do Arts, Culture and Humanities Dollars Go?

Performing Arts continued to receive the highest share of grant dollars among Arts subcategories in 2006 (35 percent). Museums and Other Arts/Cultural Organizations tied for the second largest share (15 percent each). Museums continued a trend of decreasing – from 21 percent in 2004 to 18 percent in 2005 to 15 percent in 2006. From 2005 to 2006, Arts/Cultural Organizations-Multipurpose and Visual Arts experienced the biggest share increase, from 8 percent to 11 percent and 3 to 6 percent, respectively.

## How Does Arts Giving in Minnesota Compare to National Giving?

Minnesota's 14-percent share of 2006 grant dollars going to the Arts was slightly higher than the national average (12 percent). Fluctuation in Arts shares has been greater in Minnesota than in the U.S., ranging from 13 percent to 17 percent each year since 1997. Nationally, during this same period, Arts' share of total grantmaking stayed at either 12 or 13 percent.

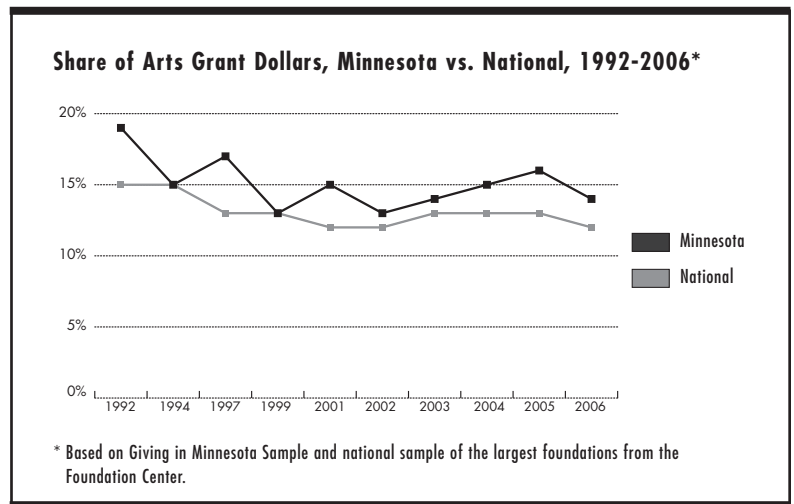
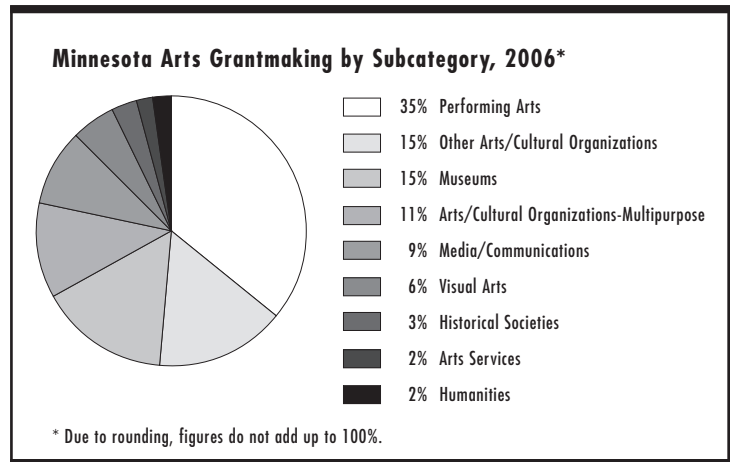
## Which Grantmakers Fund Arts, Culture and Humanities?

In 2006, after two years of steady shares at 44 percent, corporate grantmakers gave 52 percent of the grant dollars for the Arts. Private foundation giving dropped to 38 percent, and community/public foundations contributed 11 percent.

## Who Are Minnesota's Largest Arts, Culture and Humanities Funders?

Minnesota's five largest Arts grantmakers in 2006 were:

1. Target Foundation and Corporation
2. The McKnight Foundation
3. Bush Foundation
4. The Minneapolis Foundation
5. The Saint Paul Foundation



Figures based on a sample of the largest 100 grantmakers in the state by grants paid in 2006, representing 81% of the state's total giving. Minnesota grantmaking figures come from MCF's *Giving in Minnesota, 2008 Edition*; national figures are from the Foundation Center's *Foundation Giving Trends, 2008 Edition*. For more information, visit [www.mcf.org/gim](http://www.mcf.org/gim).

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