



ABOUT ASC

The Arts & Science Council (ASC) is Charlotte-Mecklenburg's Local Arts Agency and leads as the **voice of culture**. ASC nurtures and sustains our local cultural ecosystem by stewarding resources, dismantling barriers to access, and driving economic growth, community retention, and upward mobility for all our residents.

WHAT WE DO

Through **individual donors, corporate and community partners, and strategic investments**, ASC supports artists, creatives, educators, and cultural organizations. Our goal is to create a cultural mecca for creatives to thrive, strengthening Charlotte's communities, economic longevity, and creating a cultural identity of belonging.

INSPIRING STEM FUTURES

Queen City Robotics Alliance

When Ethan, a bright and curious teen, joined the Queen City Robotics Alliance (QCRA), he didn't just find a hobby—he found a future. Through ASC's support of QCRA via Cultural Vision Grants, Ethan had the chance to immerse himself in hands-on STEM learning. Building robots and collaborating with teammates, he discovered problem-solving and technical skills he didn't know he had. Most importantly, he gained the confidence to dream bigger, seeing himself as a future engineer or scientist.

ASC's mission is to create opportunities where creativity and innovation thrive. Stories like Ethan's show how donor support makes a real difference. By giving to ASC, you're not just funding programs—you're changing lives. You're creating opportunity and helping people like Ethan build skills, pursue passions, and find their place in a world where they can thrive. "If you put somebody [in front of them] who looks like them and made it, they will start thinking 'maybe I can, too.' That's what we want, said QCRA Board President Kaiwen Cheng." Because together, we're growing and building communities filled with possibility and promise!

~Cultural Vision Grant Recipient

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**ARTS & SCIENCE
COUNCIL**

**CREATE
INNOVATE
ELEVATE**

2024 ANNUAL REPORT



THIS YEAR'S IMPACT



\$1.2 million
Invested in
Culture Blocks

1000+ Culture Blocks events



307 School Programs

121 Schools Engaged

66,000+ Students Engaged



HIGHLIGHTS



\$2.1 million
Invested in Individuals

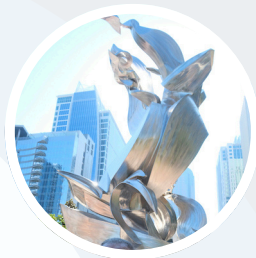
\$2.3 million
Invested in Organizations



Individuals 396
Creatives funded



Organizations 233
nonprofits funded



32 Public Art
Projects Stewarded

\$8 million
Invested in local
Public Art

By investing in local culture, ASC creates a thriving, inclusive community that attracts tourists, retains residents, and supports local businesses. We remove barriers to access, celebrate diversity, and strengthen community bonds that elevate local creatives and contribute to sustained, economic growth.

We need you!



We can't continue to offer programs that enhance cultural expression and promote a sense of belonging without your support!

We are not able to continue to champion local talent, offer capacity building opportunities, creative education, and work toward a more inclusive cultural sector, where diverse voices and ideas can thrive making Charlotte, Mecklenburg a premier cultural destination, WITHOUT YOUR HELP.

DONATE TODAY & JOIN US!