

One way the DAI lives out its mission is by advocating for the arts.

In effort to preserve integral arts funding provided by the MN Legacy Fund, DAI Executive Director Christina Woods will testify on January 27 about the effects Covid-19 has had on our region's Arts and Cultural Heritage organizations.

This is just one of the many ways the DAI advocates for the arts in our region. The Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund receives 19.75 percent of the sales tax revenue resulting from the Legacy Amendment, approved by the voters of Minnesota in 2008 to support arts, arts education and arts access, and to preserve Minnesota's environment, history and cultural heritage. Based on current sales tax revenue, Minnesotans will invest more than \$1.2 billion in Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund projects and programs over the 25 year life of the tax.*

A portion of the dollars appropriated from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund is made available to art organizations and individual artists through grant programs provided by the Minnesota State Arts Board and the state's regional art councils. Arts and cultural organizations rely on these funds to provide special events, education, and programming.

You can join the public meeting with the Senate Legacy Committee. It begins at 8:30am and ends at 10am. Christina is scheduled to be the second to the last presentation.

To watch, follow this link:<u>https://www.house.leg.state.mn.us/htv/schedule.asp</u>. The link to view this remote hearing will only be available during the webcast.

*This information was found on t the <u>Minnesota Legacy</u> website. Visit to learn more about the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.

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