

# ARTS & CULTURE

## THE ARTS IN ACTION



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ductions per year. Throughout the week, restaurants, bars and clubs across town play host to Chattanooga's vibrant live music and entertainment scene, and the Bessie Smith Cultural Center regularly provides a performance venue to celebrate African and African American heritage.

The visual arts in Chattanooga include an abundance of public art installations and several annual arts festivals. ArtsMove, an artist relocation program, has helped artists transform abandoned buildings into new galleries and studios. Additionally, the Hunter Museum of American Art in the Bluff View Art District features one of the nation's premier American art collections.

Chattanooga's arts community continues to receive rave reviews. Since 2009, *AmericanStyle* magazine has rated Chattanooga among the top mid-sized cities for art, saying, "Chattanooga is a city that simply lives and breathes the arts." Whether through a live performance, a lecture, a work of art or one of the city's many cultural festivals, the arts bring out the best in Chattanooga.

The performing arts flourish in Chattanooga with excellent choral groups, ballet companies, music ensembles and community theaters, while touring artists take advantage of Chattanooga's outstanding venues. The Chattanooga Symphony and Opera regularly entertains audiences in the historic Tivoli Theatre, an art deco movie palace restored to its original glory in 1989. The Chattanooga Ballet, one of Tennessee's leading dance organizations, holds excellent annual productions while the Chattanooga Theatre Centre, one of the oldest, largest and busiest community theaters in the country, holds fourteen pro-

In order to sustain artistic and cultural initiatives, Chattanooga has a vibrant network of organizations and individuals dedicated to growing and supporting the arts community. Allied Arts of Greater Chattanooga supports culture and the arts through an annual campaign that has generated more than \$50 million in grants since 1969. The Arts and Education Council provides arts education programs for local schools and sponsors events such as the biannual Conference on Southern Literature, which draws some of the world's best known authors to the city. The Association for Visual Arts has a membership of more than 600 and works year-round to support artists and organize visual art classes, exhibitions and festivals. The City of Chattanooga has also established an Education, Arts and Culture Department that acts as a liaison between foundations and other groups to promote and expand the arts in the Chattanooga area.

### DID YOU KNOW?

The Jazz Age saw the opening of two major performance centers in Chattanooga — the art deco Tivoli Theatre in 1921 and the Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Auditorium in 1924.



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house.com

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Soldiers and Sailors  
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hall.org

Tivoli Theatre  
www.chattanooga.gov

UTC/Fine Arts Center  
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