

Creative Arts
Program Action Plan
2018-2019

Purpose: The key purpose of the National Veterans Creative Arts competition and festival is to recognize veterans for their creative accomplishments and to educate and demonstrate to communities throughout the country the therapeutic benefits of the arts.

Auxiliary Involvement

Since 2000, the Auxiliary has played a key role in NVCAF as a cosponsor of the event, along with the Department of Veterans Affairs. In addition to raising funds, Auxiliary departments also provide volunteers who assist with everything from punching meal tickets to stuffing programs to ironing costumes for the state show. Best of all, Auxiliary members have the opportunity to meet and develop relationships with the veterans who participate. The Auxiliary is a cosponsor of NVCAF, along with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

Objective:

To raise money to fulfill our obligation as a corporate sponsor to the National Veterans Creative Arts Festival (NVCAF)

Let's have fun this year and fill a Paint Can for Creative Arts. You can use a Quart or Gallon cans, please use new ones. These can be ordered on line.

Promote competition to see who can raise the most money

Increase this year's donation from previous years

Put out donation cans in your post or have a no-bake sale

Have your juniors help because people love to see young people

Money raised helps the progress and recovery made through recreation therapy. Art can be a powerful medicine. More than a decade ago, the American Legion Auxiliary connected with an amazing event that assists veterans in healing from both their physical and psychological wounds through visual and performing arts.

Creative Arts Department Awards

Charlene Walden Monetary Award: To the unit over 200 members with the best essay of the Creative Arts Program.

Personal Awards

1. To the **junior individual or Junior Group** that collects the highest monetary amount for the Creative Arts Program sent into Department by April 1, 2019. This will to be awarded at **Junior Conference**.
2. To the **Unit** with the largest amount for Creative Arts sent into Department by **April 1, 2019**.
3. To the **District** with the largest amount for Creative Arts sent into Department by **April 1, 2019**.

I would like our Department to be a Gold Sponsor again this year. We raise \$6,375 last year let see if we can **top** that. I will contact Department monthly so we can see what Units and Districts are collecting. I will keep each District chairman informed who is leading each month.

Please remember Mid-Year reports are Narratives, there are NO forms.

Unit Mid-Year reports will be a due to your District by December 1st, 2018 and end of year reports by April 15, 2019

District Med-Year reports are due to Department by December 15th, 2018 and end of year reports by April 27, 2019 along with the impact page.

Department Mid-Year reports are due to National January5th, 2019

American Legion Auxiliary

Unit Annual Report

Creative Arts

2018-2019

Due by April 15, 2019

Mail to: District Chairman (Refer to your District Directory)

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Or Email to: _____

Unit Number: _____ District Number: _____

Unit Chairman: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____

How many attended the National Veterans Creative Arts Festival?

SR _____ JR _____

How much money did your Unit raise for Creative Arts? _____ Describe how your Unit raised fund for Creative Arts

Please include a Narrative on how your Unit promoted Creative Arts activities.

Please make 3 copies of this Annual Report:

- **Send one to District Chairman listed above**
- **Give a Copy to your Unit Historian**
- **Keep a Copy for your Unit Records**

**American Legion Auxiliary
District Annual Report
Creative Arts
2018-2019**

Due by April 27, 2019

**Mail to: Nancy E Patterson
11467 W. Base Rd.
Linton, IN. 47441**

Or Email to: nepatte26@comcast.net

District Number: _____ Number of Units _____ Number of Units Reporting _____

District Chairman: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____

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