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Dear Arts Advocate,

I would like to invite you to join Americans for the Arts and the Arts Action Fund for a [CARES Act Update webinar](#) on May 4th at 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm EST.

With newly added federal funds to replenish the popular Paycheck Protection Program and the SBA's Emergency Disaster Loans, this webinar will feature the following:

- **Bob Lynch, Americans for the Arts President and CEO** will provide an update on the billions of dollars already awarded to the arts and entertainment sector through the first round of CARES Act funding and a roadmap of what's coming next.
- **Nina Ozlu Tunceli, Americans for the Arts Action Fund Executive Director** will moderate a panel of local and state arts leaders on how they have successfully secured CARES Act funding and tips for still applying.
 - **Kendall Hardin**, Architect of the ArtSparks Initiative
 - **Ethan McSweeney**, Artistic Director, American Shakespeare Center
 - **Rick Stein**, President and CEO, Arts Orange County
 - **Doug Zbylut**, Executive Director, Nebraskans for the Arts
- **Randy Cohen, Americans for the Arts Vice President of Research and Information** will share findings from four active surveys that Americans for the Arts is currently conducting on the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the arts.
- **Ruby Lopez Harper, Americans for the Arts Senior Director of Local Arts Advancement** will provide a customized walk-through of the newly updated Americans for the Arts Coronavirus Resource and Response Center on the web.

[Register now](#) for this free, live webinar which will be limited to 1000 participants. At that time registration will be temporarily closed. Registration will re-open when the recording is available about 24-48 hours after the live event.

And as a reminder, [Office Hours with Nina](#) continues through May 15 – Monday through Friday, 11:00a – 12:00p EST. My "Office Hours" are free and open to anyone in the arts and culture field with questions about navigating the [CARES Act relief programs](#).

I hope to see you at our webinar on Monday, May 4th!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nina".

Nina Ozlu Tunceli
Executive Director

