



## ARTS DAY 2010 FACT SHEET

### 2010 - 11 EXECUTIVE BUDGET

- The Governor's proposed NYSCA Local Assistance (grants) budget is **\$35.150 million**. That is a **15.5% or \$6.5 million** cut from the current 2009-10 fiscal year when it was **\$41.6 million**.
- This takes us back to **1985 funding levels for the arts**
- This is less than **1/300 of 1%** of the proposed 2010 - 11 state budget.
- Funding for **The Egg** (Empire State Plaza Performing Arts Center Corporation) was eliminated completely.
- Funding for **NYSTI** (New York State Theatre Institute) was cut by 50%, or \$1.5 million, in the first year of a two year "phase out".
- Governor Paterson announced a proposal to **allocate \$420 million per year to continue the state's film and television production tax credit program through 2014**. Last year, the state offered \$350 million for its program that gives a 30 percent tax credit on production costs, and that money was almost completely used up.
- The New York State Executive Budget is **\$134 Billion**.
- **The NYS fiscal year begins on April 1.**

### ECONOMIC IMPACT OF THE ARTS....ASK ME WHY?

- The **economic impact of the arts in NYS is \$27.5 BILLION**  
*(Source: The Arts as an Industry Report: NYC and NYS 2006, Alliance for the Arts)*
- In 2008-09 there were **54,000,000 arts related businesses** in New York State.  
*(From American for the Arts Cultural Industries Study for New York State)*
- In the same year, the **arts employed more than 341,000 people** in the State  
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- Taxes generated by the arts industry in 2005 put **\$1.2 billion back into New York State** (including income tax, sales tax, taxes on visitor spending , business taxes)
- Cultural organizations are labor intensive; almost **50% of total spending goes to JOBS**. Arts workers pay taxes, rent, mortgages, tuition, buy food, gasoline, clothes, etc.
- An additional **12% goes to professional services....more JOBS**  
*(From Alliance for the Arts...Arts as an Industry Report 2005)*