



**Suggested Advocacy Steps
for Florida's Arts, Arts Education,
and Culture Advocates —
add your own, too.**



Care. Commit. Communicate.

August 2017 through December 2017

I will



AUGUST

1	make sure that my <u>local, state, and federal policy makers</u> and their spouses/partners and staff members are in my address books, both emails and street addresses;	
2	learn about my <u>policy makers</u> — their backgrounds, professions, interests, committee assignments, etc., and follow them on social media and sign up for their newsletters;	
3	participate in statewide thank you campaign to demonstrate appreciation for state support of DCA grants and why important; invite policy makers to arts and cultural events.	

I will



SEPTEMBER

1	commit to follow up on any state and federal action requests in a timely manner as I receive them now and in the future;	
2	<u>participate in and promote</u> within my community National Arts Education Week September 10-16;	
3	register and participate in the Florida Cultural Alliance's September 25 statewide advocacy and information-to-use conference call (registration link will be emailed to you);	

I will



OCTOBER

1	<u>participate in and promote</u> within my community National Arts and Humanities Month;	
2	collaborate with my <u>local arts agency</u> and other members of our cultural community to schedule meetings and/or participate at delegation meetings to discuss 2018-2019 DCA appropriation requests needed to fully support all grants;	
3	register and participate in the Florida Cultural Alliance's October 30 statewide advocacy and information-to-use conference call (registration link will be emailed to you);	

I will



NOVEMBER

1	follow through with any collaborative local advocacy plans to meet with legislators locally about <i>2018 Florida Cultural Alliance Legislative Platform for Arts & Culture</i> (TBA);	
2	register and participate in the Florida Cultural Alliance's November 27 statewide advocacy and information-to-use conference call (registration link will be emailed to you);;	
3	follow up with your U.S. Representative and U.S. Senators to thank them for joining Congressional Arts or Cultural or STEAM Caucuses; if not members, ask them to join.	

I will



DECEMBER

1	register to travel to Tallahassee to participate in Arts & Culture Day on January 24 and other activities planned in collaboration with the DCA and attend the Florida Council on Arts & Culture meeting on January 25 (future emails);	
2	register and participate in the Florida Cultural Alliance's December 18 statewide advocacy and information-to-use conference call (registration link will be emailed to you);;	
3	commit to pay attention and follow through on action alerts throughout the 2018 Florida Legislative Session January 9 through March 9. Happy Holidays to each of you.	