



KINGSTON VOTES ON 24 OCTOBER

2022 Candidate Art and Culture Survey

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Do you think art and culture add value to Kingston? How does it contribute?

I definitely believe that arts and culture add value to Kingston, as a worker in the theatre industry not only are the arts my and many of my friends and co workers livelihoods, we have the privilege of witnessing the positive impact the arts have on our community almost every day.

Please rate the following statements:

The arts inspire and innovate. We should support artists as leaders in our community.	Strongly agree
The arts are essential to the social fabric and cultural identity of Kingston residents.	Strongly agree
The arts are important to the community, contributing to the wellness and sense of belonging of Kingston residents.	Strongly agree
The arts are not interesting to me, but I understand they have value to the City.	Strongly disagree
The arts are enjoyed by some people, but they don't need public support.	Strongly disagree

What are the most important ways the City of Kingston can engage with arts and culture through strategic planning, policy, investment, programming, etc.?

The city should be setting more money aside to invest in local artists and arts groups and providing them with the facilities and resources they need to bring their projects to life in the community.

Do you support continued funding for arts and culture in the municipal budget?

Yes, in fact I support an increase in funding for arts and culture in the municipal budget

Can the arts community count on you to be an advocate at Council in the future?

Absolutely.