

CREATING HEALTHY COMMUNITIES THROUGH CROSS-SECTOR COLLABORATION WHITE PAPER

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WHAT CAN THE ARTS DO FOR PUBLIC HEALTH?

- Provide direct health benefits
- Improve health communication efforts
- Increase participation
- Facilitate dialogue
- Connect services
- Advance community-led and sustained practices
- Organize and mobilize
- Make ordinary moments extraordinary

CALL TO ACTION >>
Recognize arts and culture as a valuable and available resource, and engage the sector as a critical partner in advancing health in the U.S.

HOW CAN IT BE DONE?

- Co-locate health services with arts activities
- Partner with arts organizations and artists to design interventions
- Hire local artists to work on research teams
- Look to arts and cultural artifacts for answers to research questions
- Co-develop priority outcomes for cross-sector work
- Coordinate joint convenings at the local, state, and national levels
- Advocate for inclusion of arts and culture in Healthy People 2040

5 URGENT PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUES THAT ARTS AND CULTURE CAN ADDRESS

COLLECTIVE TRAUMA

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