

Arts

Program Snapshot

The Kenneth Rainin Foundation

envisioning a Bay Area where artists can thrive. We believe diverse, visionary artists are essential to our region, our democracy and our shared humanity.

To remain a vibrant hub for creative life and boundary pushing, the Bay Area needs an artist centered infrastructure built to last—one that confronts structural barriers and activates a coordinated system of supports. We aspire to champion artists holistically as vital contributors to our civic life and be a model for regions globally.

Goal

A Durable Arts Ecosystem
Where Bay Area Artists Thrive

Strategies

- Support diverse, visionary artists
- Steward permanent and affordable space
- Advance equitable community-led systems change
- Unlock new pathways to capital & resource sharing

Tactics

- Fund artists in dance, film, theater and public space
- Invest in real estate strategies for the arts
- Strengthen effective arts policy and advocacy networks
- Support experimentation in collaborative operating models
- Leverage funding tools beyond traditional grants
- Pilot programs and share what we learn

Outcomes

- Artists can sustainably live and create in the region
- The Bay Area remains a vibrant cultural landscape that is adaptive to changing conditions