



“The End of Men, an Ode to Ocean,” by New England Dance Fund-supported choreographer Vanessa Anspaugh, of Portland, ME, courtesy of her CreativeGround profile.



NEW ENGLAND FOUNDATION FOR THE ARTS

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## Supporting the Creative Sector in Maine

The New England Foundation for the Arts (NEFA) invests in the arts to enrich communities in New England and beyond. NEFA serves as a regional partner for the National Endowment for the Arts, New England’s state arts agencies, and private foundations.

With support from the Maine Arts Commission, NEFA’s programs support artists and communities through:

- » **GRANTS**  
to artists and cultural organizations to create and tour work
- » **CREATIVEGROUND**  
New England’s online creative community, connecting over 6,200 of Maine’s artists, cultural organizations, and creative businesses to each other and the region
- » **CREATIVE COMMUNITIES EXCHANGE & IDEA SWAP**  
convenings that bring peers and projects together across state lines
- » **CREATIVE ECONOMY RESEARCH**  
case-making data and networking



# NEFA's Impact in Maine

## FY20 NEFA Grants to Artists & Organizations

**Art At Work** South Portland  
**Bates Dance Festival** Lewiston\*  
**Brian Crabtree** Peaks Island  
**Chris Battaglia** Swanville  
**Collins Center for the Arts, University of Maine** Orono  
**David Mallett** Sebec  
**Geo Soctomah Neptune** Princeton  
**Janoah Bailin** Peaks Island  
**Kelsie Steil** Yarmouth  
**Lindsey Bourassa** Portland  
**Maine Celtic Celebration** Belfast  
**Maine Coast Waldorf School** Freeport

**Mayo Street Arts** Portland\*  
**Pamela Moulton** South Portland  
**Portland Chamber Music Festival** Portland  
**Portland Ovations** Portland\*  
**Riley Watts** Portland  
**Sara Juli** Falmouth\*  
**Shoshona Currier** Lewiston  
**SPACE** Portland\*  
**Strand Theatre** Rockland  
**Vanessa Anspaugh** Portland

\*received multiple grants in FY20.

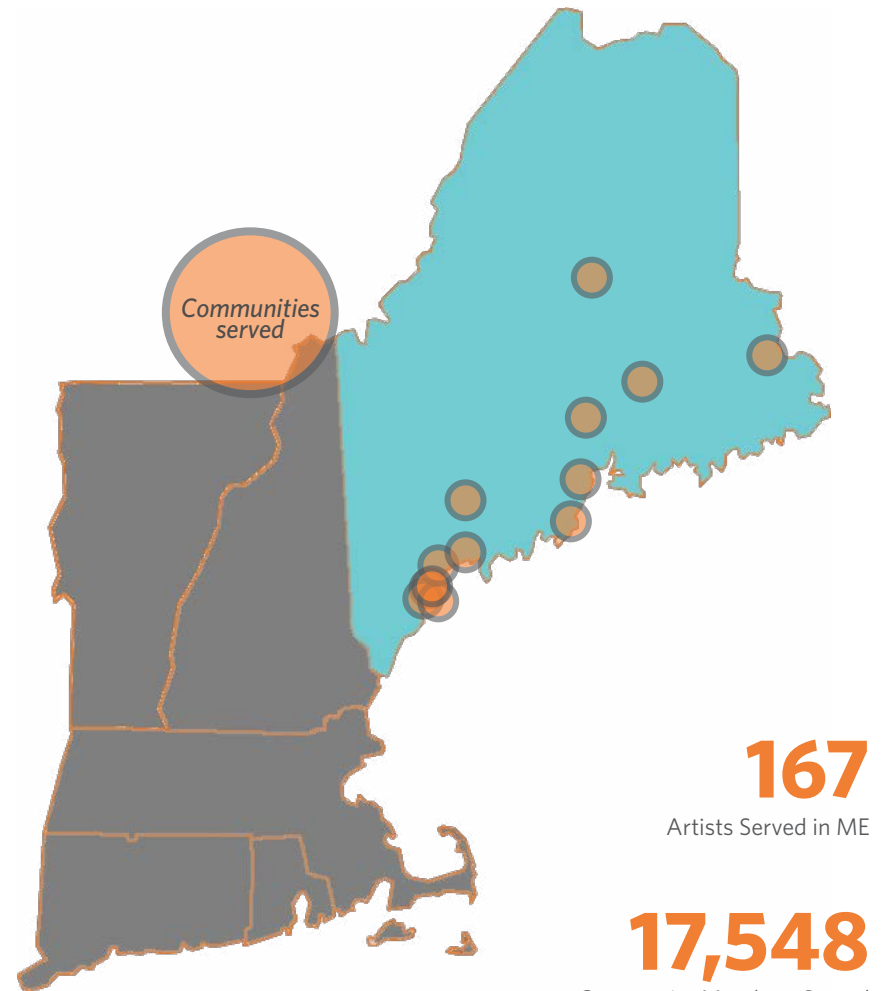


## NEFA Joins State Arts Agency Partners in Artist Relief

In response to the COVID-19 crisis, NEFA granted \$285,330 from the risk reserve fund to support emergency relief funds at the six state arts agencies of New England in the initial phase of the pandemic. In Maine, the \$48,110 grant reached beyond both NEFA's and Maine Arts Commission's traditional constituent base, providing timely support to 96 additional Maine artists.

View additional resources at [nefa.org/COVID-19](https://nefa.org/COVID-19).

*Marsha Parilla; photo by Ernesto Galán*



**167**

Artists Served in ME

**17,548**

Community Members Served

**\$90,600**

Total Amount Leveraged

**\$191,795**

Total Amount Granted by NEFA