

STATE OF DELAWARE



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT DOVER

EXECUTIVE ORDER
NUMBER FIFTY-ONE

TO: HEADS OF ALL STATE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

RE: CREATION OF THE GOVERNOR'S COMMITTEE ON CULTURAL PROGRAMS

WHEREAS, our culture, as expressed in the history and pre-history of our state and its communities, provides for all our citizens a sense of time and place in which we find both our diversity as individuals and our unity as a society; and

WHEREAS, our culture, as expressed in the arts and letters, provides for us access to the most valuable and ennobling ideas and works of our predecessors and our contemporaries; and

WHEREAS, the understanding and appreciation of cultural expressions has traditionally involved a large number of individuals and organizations, within government and without; and

WHEREAS, it would be beneficial to encourage cultural activities in the State by providing a means for assessing current programs, coordinating these programs through increased communication, discovering needs and opportunities for new activities, developing strategies for making activities more available to all our citizens, and generally emphasizing the value of such activities to our society; and

WHEREAS, these objectives can best be accomplished by the creation of a genuinely inclusive body in which representatives of existing cultural organizations can join with those individuals who have demonstrated an interest in the broad and varied expressions of our culture;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Pierre S. du Pont, IV, by the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Delaware do hereby declare and order as follows:

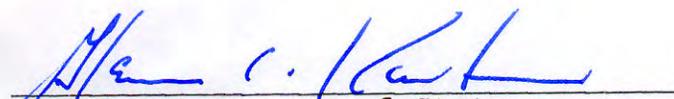
1. There is created the Governor's Committee on Cultural Programs.
2. Members of the said Committee will be appointed by the Governor to serve during his pleasure and will include representatives of existing cultural organizations and citizens who have a demonstrated interest in cultural expressions and programs.
3. The Committee will have a chairman and two vice chairmen appointed by the Governor.
4. The Committee will develop a program and conduct such meetings as are necessary to accomplish the following goals:
 - (a) Encourage the broadest possible involvement of all the citizens of Delaware in cultural programs;
 - (b) Encourage maximum coordination and cooperation among existing cultural organizations and agencies;
 - (c) Undertake efforts to expand support for cultural expressions;
 - (d) Make an annual report to the Governor and General Assembly describing its activities and making recommendations for the strengthening of cultural programs;
 - (e) Advise the Governor from time to time of those organizations and individuals whose addition to the Committee would enhance its broadly representative quality; and
 - (f) Undertake directly through its members specific cultural projects as might be requested by the Governor or recommended by the Committee.

5. The Director of the Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs of the Department of State will be an ex-officio member of the Committee and will provide from the Division such administrative and other support services as may be necessary.

APPROVED this 15th day of March, 1978.


Governor

ATTEST:


Secretary of State

