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Support Funding for the Arts in our Region

Dear Clerk of the Board,

One of the main outlets for humans to relax and take time away from their own life problems, is to watch stories - whether they be on the screen or live performances.

So having outlets for theatre in our own communities is vital to encourage both performers and audiences to be part of the continuation of the human experience.

I've enjoyed doing youth theatre since I was 4. Through it, I've gained confidence not only to perform but also in public speaking, and become a team member, especially because I used also help out backstage with sets and props.

Through theatre I met people throughout both the city of Ventura and also Ventura county. And have friends I would never have met otherwise.

My personal experience of performing has been with Kindermusik where I learnt to read music and play the recorder; Shakespeare, where I've performed outside at Lake Casitas; Centre Stage Theatre in Agoura Hills; PTYA Ventura; Performing Arts Centre in Thousand Oaks; Rubicon Theatre Summer Programs; and last year I performed at Carnegie Hall, NYC as part of a combined choir with CICA (CSU), Ventura High School Corale, & Santa Paula High School Concert Choir.

I appreciate the funding for our Arts in Ventura County.

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