

MASSCREATIVE

PLAN FOR TODAY

- **Federal Funding Update**
- **Review Governor's Economic Development Bond Bill**
- **Status check on Creative Sector Agenda bills**
- **FY25 Budget reminder**



FEDERAL FUNDING

- **The First FY24 Appropriations bill is expected to pass today**
- **Includes Department of Interior:**
 - **National Endowment for the Arts - \$207M**
 - **National Endowment for the Humanities - \$207M**
 - **\$5M for Creative Arts Therapies at the Department of Veterans Affairs Administration**
 - **\$5M for Partnerships at the Department of Veterans Affairs Administration**



GOVERNOR'S ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOND BILL

MASS LEADS

- **\$50M for Cultural Facilities Fund (CFF)**
- **Live Theater Tax Credit program**
 - **Five-year pilot**
 - **\$5M annual cap**
- **\$40M for Tourism asset improvements (Destination Development Grants)**
- **\$8M for Historic Preservation Grants**
- **\$150M for Library Construction Grants**



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- **\$35 M for Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI) grants** to help disadvantaged and underserved businesses access capital.
- **\$25M for Small Business Technology Grants** to help early-stage companies commercialize new and innovative technologies developed in Massachusetts.
- **\$10M for Biz-M-Power matching grants** - small business capital-related needs



GOVERNOR'S ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOND BILL

Next Steps

- **Goes to Legislature**
 - **Committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technology**
- **Goes to the Governor to Sign**

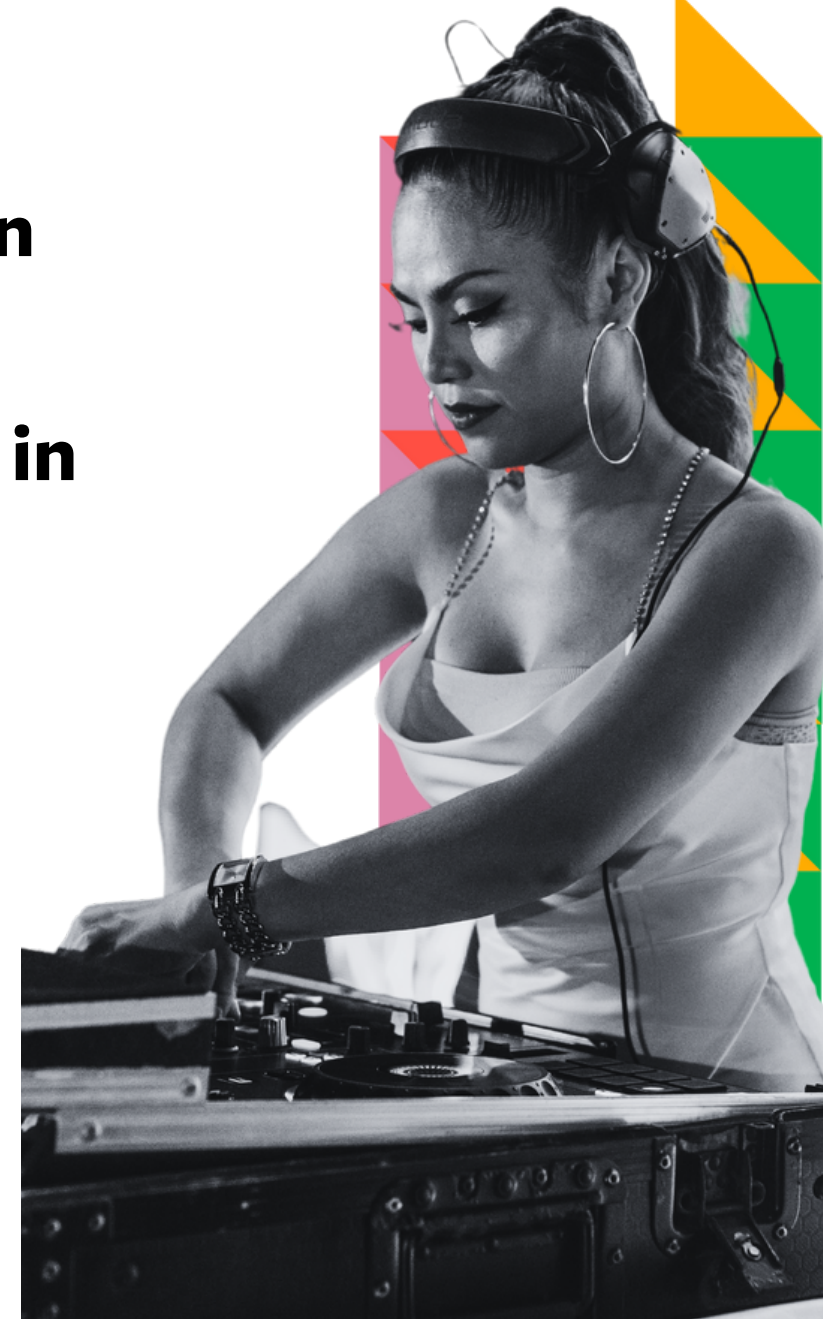
BOND BILLS ARE NOT SURE BETS



GOVERNOR'S SUPPORT FOR CREATIVE SECTOR

ADDITIONAL ACTIONS

- **Executive Order** to establish the Governor's Advisory Committee on Cultural Policy Development
- **Community One Stop grants (OED program)** will give additional prioritization to applications focused on/in cultural districts.
- **Artist in Residence and Poet Laureate** - The Governor will designate an Artist in Residence and Poet Laureate for the Commonwealth.
- Mass Office of Tourism and Travel will produce an annual **Governor's Conference on Travel and Tourism** (April 2, 2024)



HOUSING BOND BILL

- **Moved out of Committee**
- **Now with Bonding Committee**



CREATIVE SECTOR AGENDA

- **4 Bills are moving forward**
- **Working to get bill language included in larger pieces of legislation**

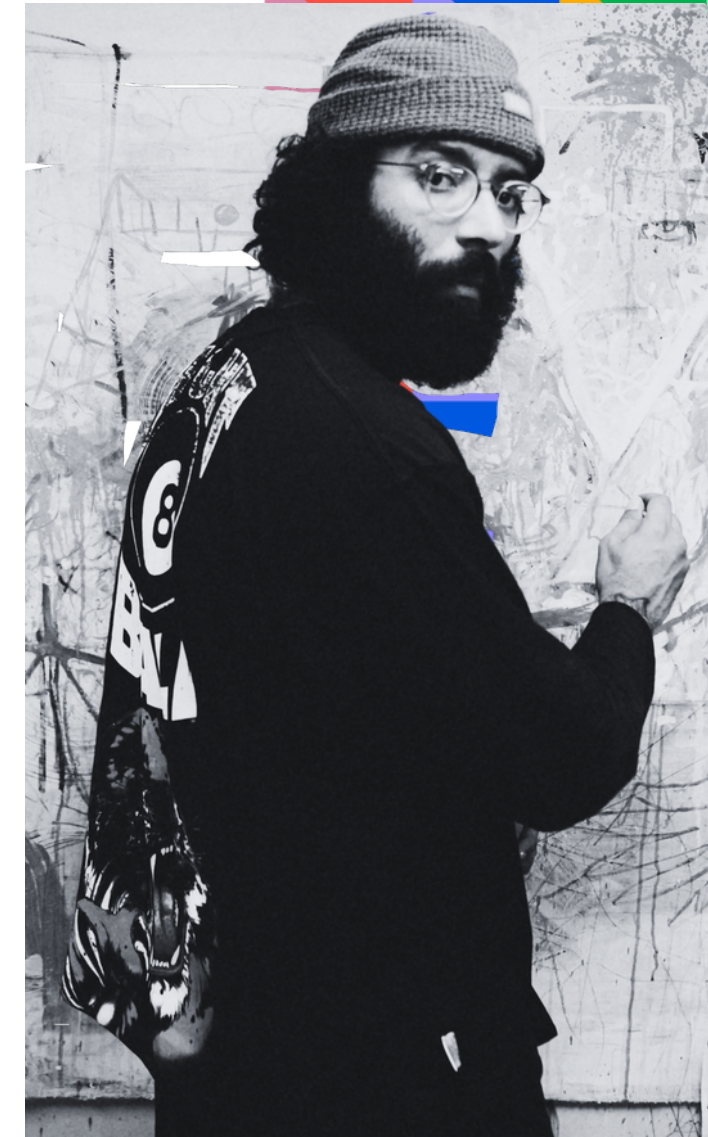
WHAT YOU CAN DO:

- **Endorse the bill (s)**
- **Let your legislators know you support the bills and want to see them passed this session.**
- **Take action IMMEDIATELY**



FY25 BUDGET

- **Ways and Means Committee starting hearings**
 - **Mass Cultural Council will request \$25.5M (Governor's Proposal)**



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