

MELSA Executive Summary:

Total Legacy Dollars Received from the State: \$1,362,900.68

MELSA allocated:

40% of the funds (\$681,450.34) to metro-wide collaborative projects, including the 2.5% allowed for administrative expenses.

10% of the funds (\$136,290.00) to state-wide collaborative projects

50% of the funds (\$681,450.34) to local member library systems to encourage local collaborations with arts, history and cultural heritage organizations.

Total Number of Programs Held: 554
Total Attendance: 46,721

Total Number of Partnerships: More than 125 local art, history, and cultural

organizations located in the Twin Cities.

Programs sponsored by funds from the Minnesota Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund reached users in every library facility in the Twin Cities (105 buildings) in each of the eight member systems.

MELSA provided leadership to the program by hiring a Legacy Project Manager to coordinate the metro-wide and local activities. (This position was funded with regional funds (non-Legacy) through a mobility re-assignment with Hennepin County.)

In-Kind Staff and Partnership Contributions: \$238,018.99

The amount of staff time necessary to present each program varies, but local library directors estimated that between 5 – 12 hours are required from staff for each program.