

From The Wire to Veep, from the Star Spangled Banner to jazz, Baltimore's rich history in art, film, and music is a source of pride and engine for growth.

Baltimore has all the promise to once more be a leader in the arts. But building an economy around art, film, and music will not happen on its own. City Hall must play a central role to ignite this industry.

THIRU'S PLAN TO REVITALIZE THE ARTS IN BALTIMORE

- Expand and support the creation of additional arts and entertainment districts in addition to Station North, Highlandtown, and Bromo Tower
- Extend tax-free income benefits in art districts to cover more artists, including, for example, musicians, spoken-word performers, and filmmakers
- Create an "artists in residence" program. Participating artists and musicians would receive healthcare and a stipend in exchange for committing to teach their art in public schools and promote art in Baltimore's communities
- Lead a capital campaign to raise funds from private donors in order to reinforce the shaky financial foundation of the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra
- Re-establish incentives to encourage television producers and filmmakers to set their works in the city
- Launch a mural initiative that matches local artists, potential donors, and community hosts to collaboratively beautify Baltimore