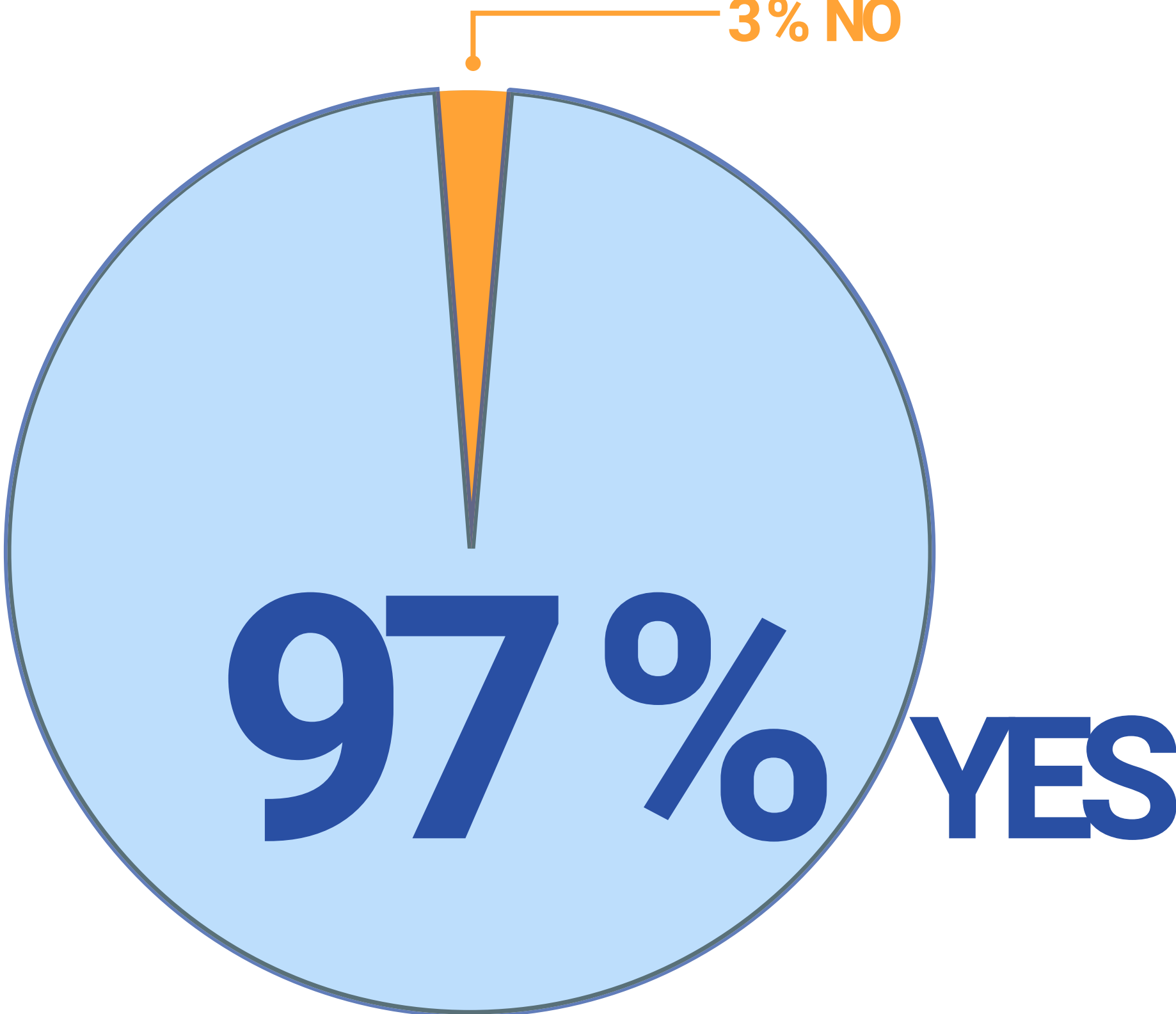




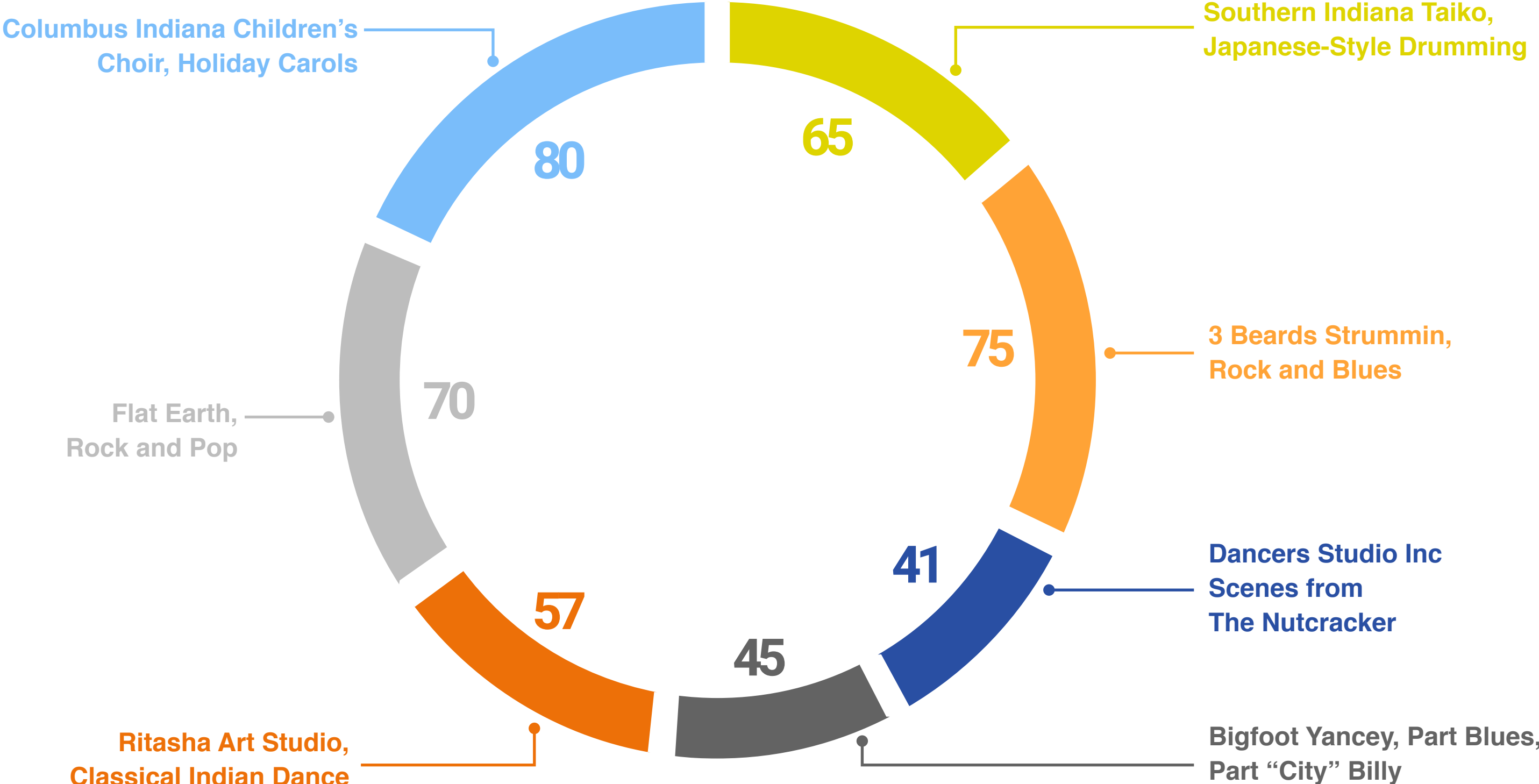
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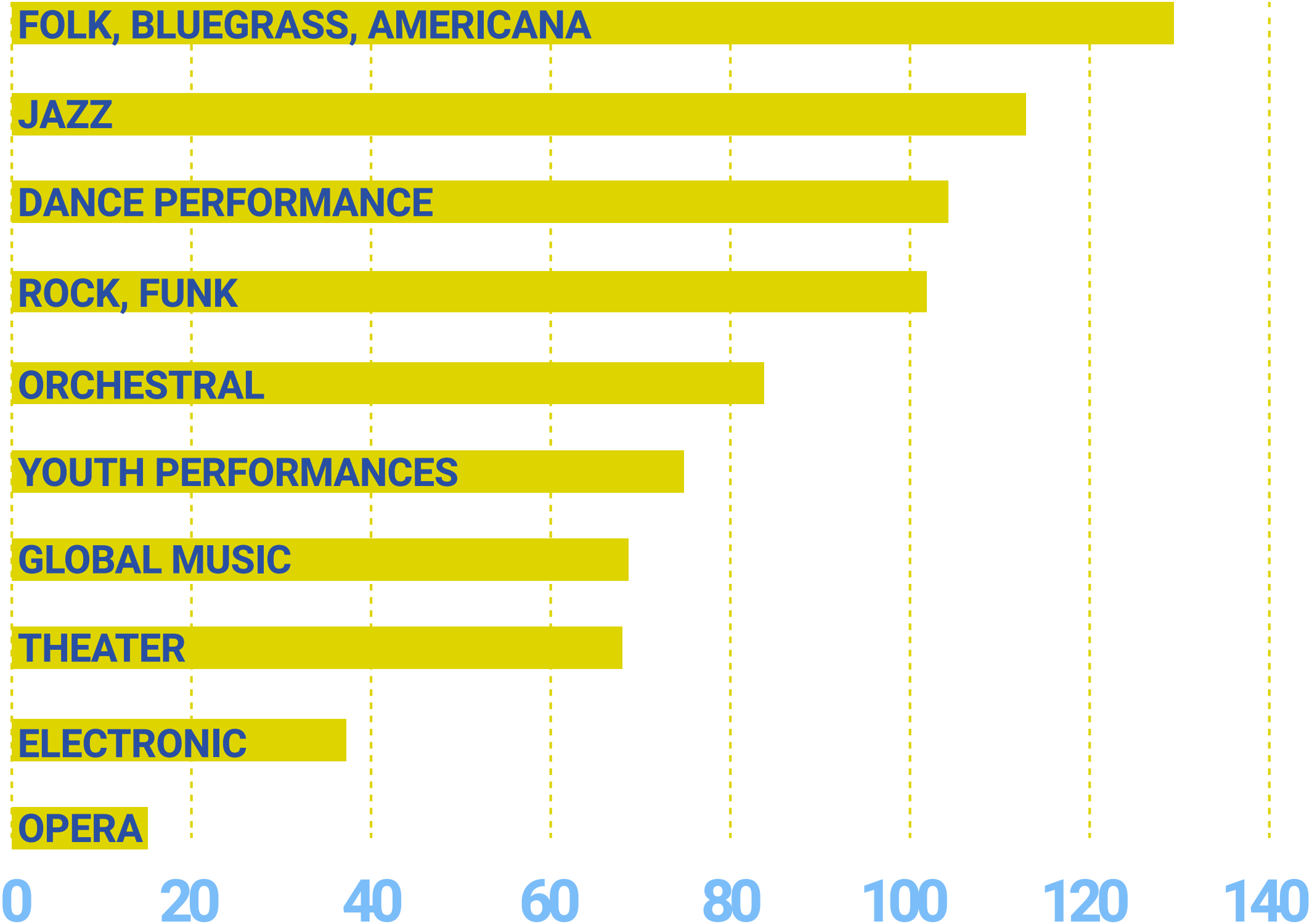
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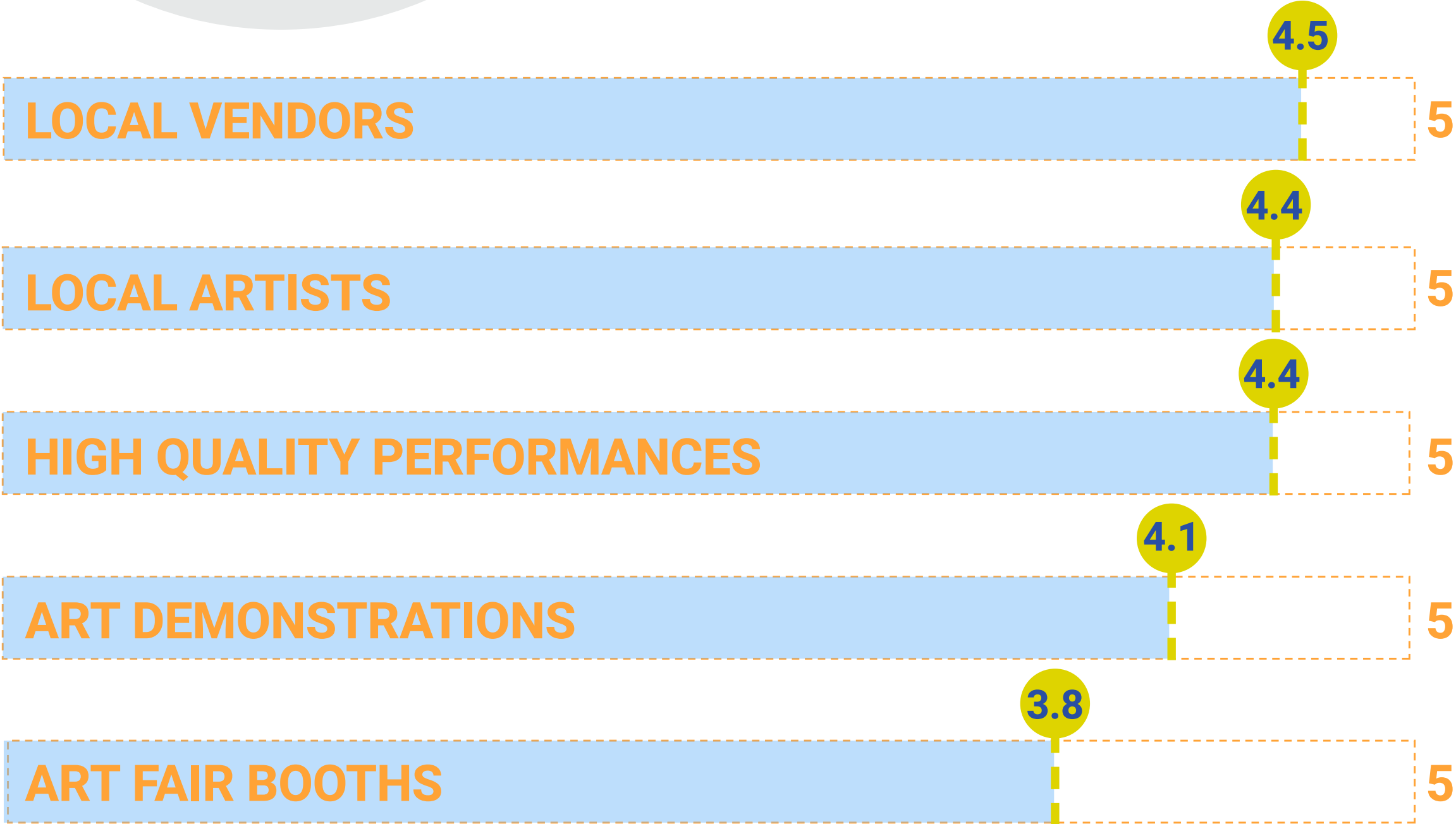
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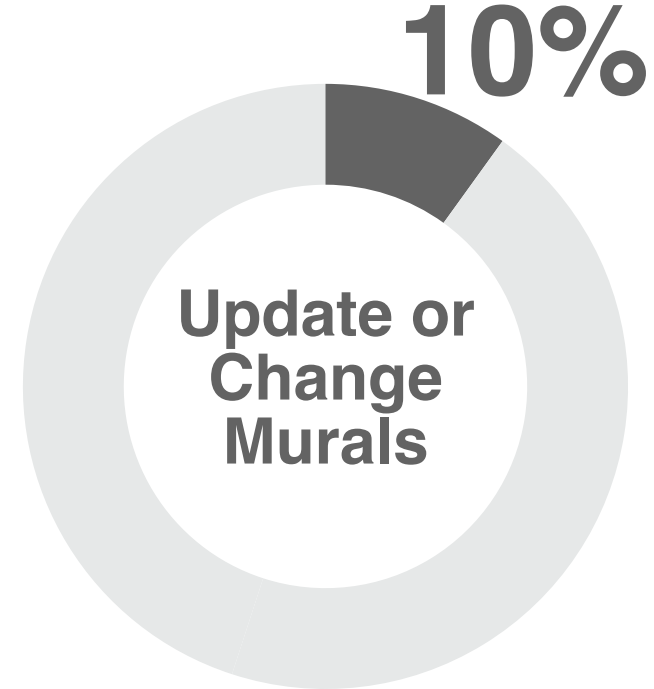
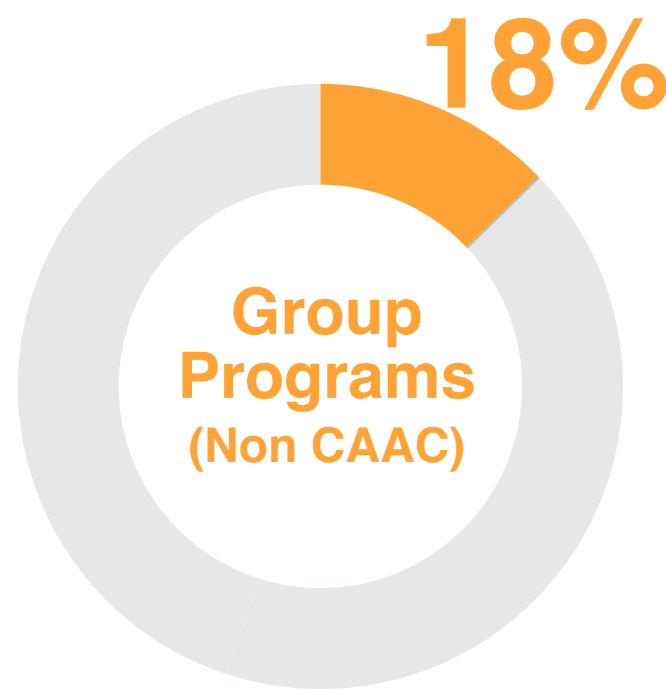
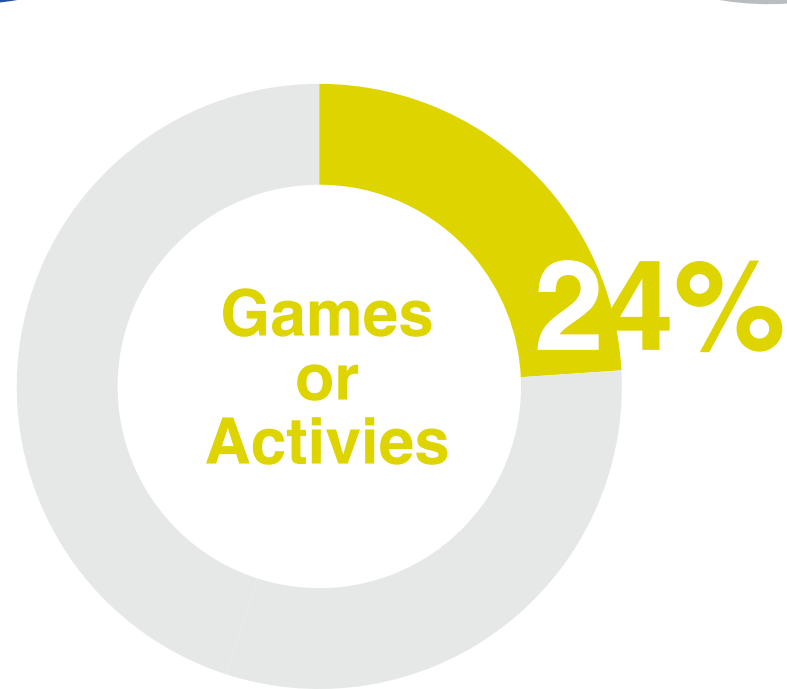
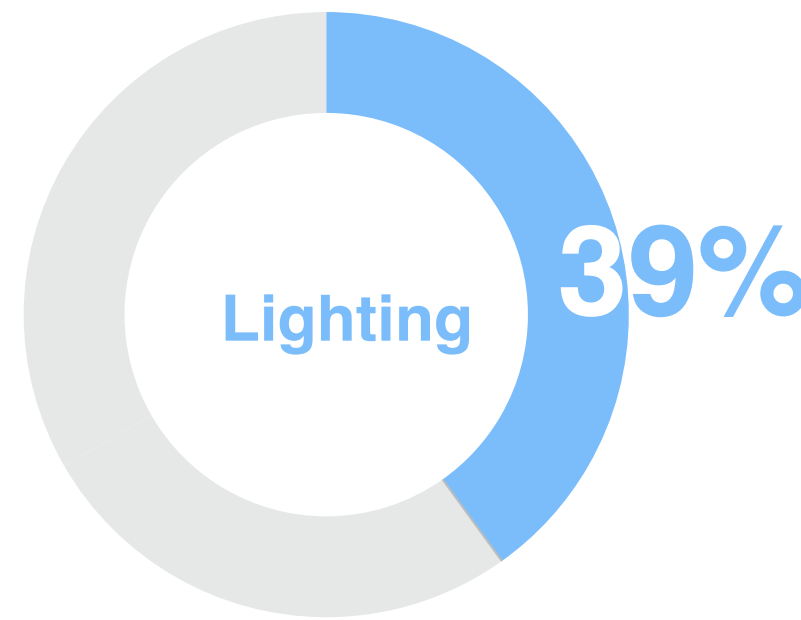
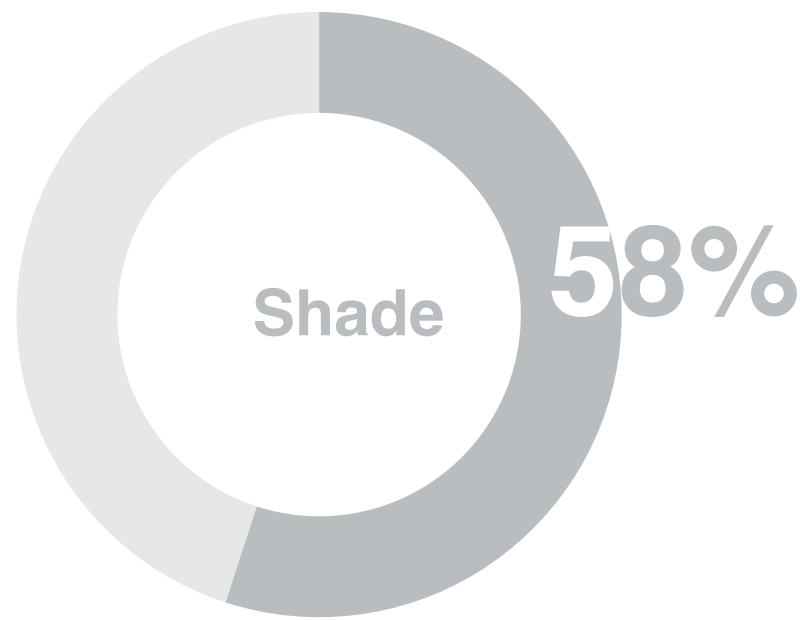
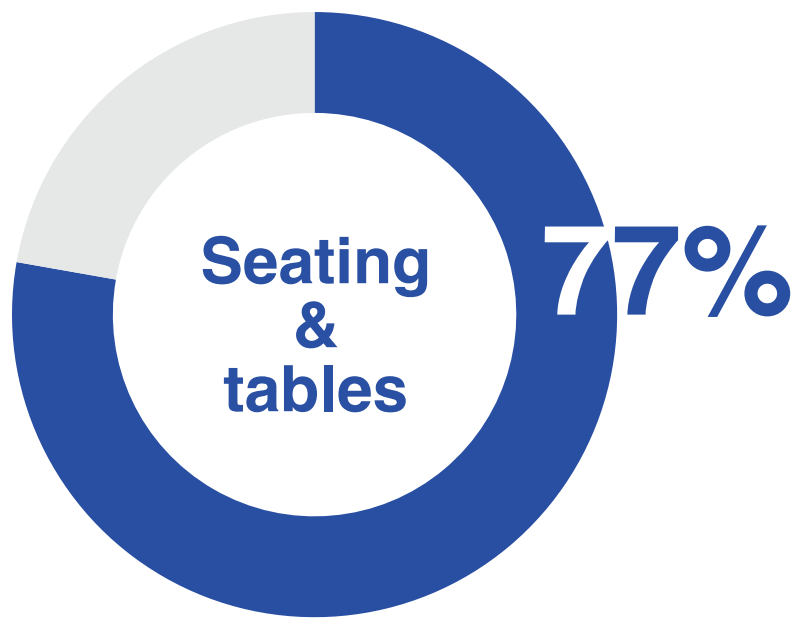
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ON A SCALE OF 1-5, HOW IMPORTANT IS IT TO FEATURE...



HOW COULD 6TH STREET ARTS ALLEY BE IMPROVED?



<p>I love seeing the community come together and use the space for different events and in different ways. I absolutely love walking down 6th street on a regular day too because of the mural. It's so cheerful and bright that even on a gray winter day it brings me joy and makes me think of sunshine.</p>	<p>I don't think the murals need changed, but would love for them to be maintained and the paint to remain bright. I think it'd be lovely if the street was permanently closed and the community could use it in between events for sitting and community building. Thank you for the work you do in our community.</p>	<p>Those concerts are ON POINT. Even if the music isn't the main feature, it's so fun to be out there with friends and the food and drink. Kids can come along and it makes for a great experience all around.</p>	<p>Keep the events coming. Especially on Thursdays and the weekends.</p>	<p>The community connection to the artists and the people in the community</p>
<p>Awesome space - I always say - use it more !!!!</p>	<p>While I have not been to any of the performances listed above, I have attended several events at the 411 Gallery that spilled out into the street. Each time I have seen conversations between friends as well as people who have just met. My love of this "alley" is that it promotes community, which is why I also love the arts council and all of its programs.</p>	<p>Watching the transformation from normal street > painted, a unique space with its own identity</p>	<p>Vibrancy and the community vibe it brings when people are gathered together in that alley. It feels like a street party seeing faces of ppl that enjoy and appreciate the time with free quality music and art.</p>	<p>I love the vibrant energy of community gathering around art! Food trucks, beer and wine, interesting art to look at, small performances all work together to create a rich experience.</p>
<p>Being with my family and friends at events (like Nutcracker when the kids went crazy!) and seeing so many people enjoying various types of the arts.</p>	<p>We love it and hope it continues to be a big part of our community's activities! Thank you!!!</p>	<p>It is a great addition to our city I wish there were more areas like it throughout the town.</p>	<p>I love how cozy the space feels when there is an event going on.</p>	<p>It was really nice to grab a bite from the food truck, listen to some music and see downtown lively. We would've stayed longer, but it was very hot and sunny.</p>
<p>We love the vibrancy of the space with the location, murals, and activation during the year.</p>	<p>Love the murals! Love the events held in the space, excited to attend more!</p>	<p>My favorite memory was seeing kids dance with ribbons during the Flat Earth performance. I like seeing all ages interact with art in this space.</p>	<p>Arts Alley is so uniquely Columbus - a project of community collaboration that one might only expect to see in a bigger city. It fits our community identity perfectly in that way. Can't wait to see what's next!</p>	<p>I loved the holiday event with carols. I was delighted that I could buy, food, beverages and stand under the heaters with neighbors of all ages, listening to carols. It was a sparkly, memorable night.</p>
<p>I love the current murals! They could be updated eventually, but I don't think it's needed yet. :)</p>	<p>I've only been able to go to one event, but it was really fun for myself and my small kids, ranging from age 2-10. I loved that it felt like a true community event and everyone from the community felt welcome. Thank you!</p>	<p>The vibrant colors!! And how the events draw so many people!</p>	<p>Love watching performances with family.</p>	<p>Watching The Beards & eating a hotdog while standing at a cocktail table, a few different groups of my friends came together. We all laughed and had good fun as the sun went down. It was so nice</p>

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<p>The murals, art, diversity, and sense of community. It's a wonderful part of Columbus!</p>	<p>Recording a dance video recorded by my 7 year old. The beauty of the street is that it welcomes any and every artist, no bar, and no judgements when they are experimenting with their art forms.</p>	<p>I love the murals & 411 Gallery events that have been incorporated!</p>	<p>Honestly? My daughter's Senior Pictures were taken there. I realize this isn't necessarily the answer you were looking for, but her pictures are so precious to me, and the Art Alley provided us with that special memory.</p>	<p>Love it so much! We need many more opportunities in our downtown to create these areas for inspiration. People enjoy spending time and coming together in places that make them feel good. The Arts Alley gives people that feeling. It invokes togetherness and enjoyment.</p>
<p>Love the design and how it separates and defines the artistic area. Hope to attend an event soon!</p>	<p>The Bigfoot Yancy concert - so many kids playing and dancing. It was a beautiful evening. Such a great event.</p>	<p>It's a great venue, but we could have more activities going on during the year to utilize it to it's fullest capacity.</p>	<p>The delightful feeling of finding a hidden treasure just turning a corner downtown.</p>	<p>It's colorful and brings energy into a relatively dead downtown.</p>
<p>The idea that our kids can be free during the events, truly models the idea of it takes a village to raise a child. The community comes together in a casual space connecting over art, music, and dancing. I love the space and all the programming that happens in the space!</p>	<p>Thank you for creating and programing a fun space in downtown.</p>	<p>Keep it going! Vibrant and accessible. Promote to all sides of the city.</p>	<p>Love the quarterly concerts/food trucks</p>	<p>One Sunday it was so beautiful downtown, but it was very slow and no one was here. I took great photos of all of downtown, but my favorite was of the Alley. Keep up the hard work!</p>
<p>Connecting with the cool people of Columbus. Have a drink, look at art whole listening to music. I remember the visual art more than the music, but it completes the vibe. The perfect activity after a day of work. I feel really connected to our community when I attend.</p>	<p>Meeting friends there unexpectedly and sharing the experience together. Going to see my 50/50 submission on a beautiful winter evening and discovering it had been sold.</p>	<p>Love the space and excited to watch it transform!</p>	<p>I show every person who comes to visit. I love that it's not your average mural, in that it's incorporated into the street as well. It makes downtown even more beautiful.</p>	<p>Nothing specific, but since my office is in 6th street I LOVE when fun, artsy things are happening outside my windows!</p>
<p>I love how it feels like a cozy living room right in downtown. It isn't out of the way, so easy to carry the evening on by walking to dinner or drinks after an even ends.</p>	<p>I love how the Arts Alley has begun to bring in a different type of art to Columbus, which is already known for its artistic backgrounds and values. It's very encouraging to young artist like myself seeking careers in art.</p>	<p>Keep doing what you're doing! I love to see the involvement that has developed.</p>	<p>Being a part of the community. Celebrating the arts.</p>	<p>It's such an asset. I would support any and all ways to get more use out of it. We love the 6th arts alley :)</p>

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I once saw a group of people sitting on the street to take a group photo. They chose that spot as the perfect background to capture their memory.	I helped paint the street when the mural was installed. I always enjoy walking or driving down the colorful corner of the city that I helped to decorate.	The amazing reach the 6th street alley has provided the community.	Please keep the great activities coming!	Good vibe !
The energy it brings to downtown. Love when 411 is open and there is entertainment on 6th with beverage sales and food available. Also love the colorful street scape and mural.	Love showing it to friends. It's colorful and unique.	To me 6th street is the best street downtown. it has nature evening shade from the buildings on Washington that 4th street lacks. It also have an intimate feeling where smaller events don't feel sparse.	It exists in Columbus - a very particular city	I really hope to attend in 2024. I love that this space has been created and continues to grow.
I do some amateur photography and took some awesome prom photos for my daughter and her friends in the alley. They came up with some really fun poses. It added to the fun that my daughter's dress was the same shade of yellow as the stripes.	The Arts Alley is yet another wonderful addition to the Columbus community. I was happy to see another fun space added this year with Carousel in Exhibit Columbus.	Just meeting friends and new people and socializing over a beer. It's great!	Love the colorfulness of the aesthetic!	Programming is super helpful to ensure there is a vibrant downtown community attraction; consistency helps give certainty on something to do.
Love hearing and seeing different music and artists. Experiencing different cultures through art and dance.	It is truly a treat to be in an area that is specifically for the arts. The space is large enough but still intimate enough enjoy without the hubbub of a larger space. The space is also very child friendly, perfect (maybe more shade, but I don't think trees grow that fast?)	A small town feel with a cultural experience. Thank you!	Love the atmosphere and community involvement	I like at as a casual public gathering space to enjoy entertainment and visit with friends and acquaintances!
Lots of potential here to get the community together!	I love all the colors! It brings such vibrancy to downtown Columbus.	I think it's awesome that Columbus has places with 6th Street. It makes our city pop and welcomes everyone to take a walk through downtown and see what all we have to offer!	Loved seeing the CAAC crew do the pop up dance in a rain and windstorm during the summer - lol ?	I enjoyed when I came to the events the feeling of collective joy. Both events were well attended and I enjoy a space that the community can come to see, hear, taste, and feel the beauty of Columbus.

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I really enjoy the murals. I know many families and individuals who use them for pictures.	It is a great asset to the community.	I love walking around downtown and it always is fun watching all the events on 6th.	Brightens up the area!	I enjoyed the children;s choir for the holiday, with the carriages going by and the Christmas lights, it was a beautiful evening.
The events make me feel connected to the arts community and the city in general.	Loved seeing it last spring for the first time	We enjoyed the couple of times we've checked it out.	Loved Taiko drumming performance and mini workshop and feeling safe to let my kids wander	Love the together-ness of community
I like that CAAC and Landmark Columbus are both located on the street.	Love the unexpected street art found in sidewalk by visiting artist	I love that it is a true community space in every sense of the word. All are welcome and there is something for everyone. We can bring the kids but still enjoy ourselves as adults.	The Arts Alley is a community gem!	We absolutely love the space and hearing the drums in that space was amazing.
Loved taking senior pictures of my son here.	Love the colorful art and vibe	I loved all of the events I've attended that involve shutting the street. It's a great location with surprisingly good acoustics and is secluded yet public. It makes a way better "festival" space than the 4th Street corridor.	I hope that events in the Arts Alley continue regularly!	Love socializing with friends and meeting new people in the community.
I love taking photos of my son in the alley. It's just a beautiful edition to down town.	I enjoy seeing how art affects people, especially children.	Love how it is associated with 411 gallery openings. A place to meet folks with an interest in the arts community.	I love that events feel more intimate on Arts Alley, tucked between the buildings. You feel like you are truly supporting your community while having a beautiful and safe place to bring your family.	We like to go there to take pictures.
Love watching my daughter performing classical Indian dance for an audience	Flat Earth's performance. Beautiful weather, great food and drink options, friends.	Visiting the 411 gallery with my son to see the Cat exhibit and the 50/50 gallery. I love showing him the public mural art and the art in the gallery.	It's amazing! :) Keep up the great work.	What a welcoming time the first time I went there when I was new to Columbus.

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Love the way it is painted!	I am a Graduate Student at IU Columbus and I distinctly remember that we had a photoshoot on 6th street arts alley. The photoshoot was to be used for promoting the student life. 6th street arts alley has definitely been a part of my colourful journey here in Columbus.	I would say- Even if the skies are bright or dull...dont worry 6th Street Arts Alley will always be colorful!	I love the direct community involvement. It's the unexpected element in the middle of a wonderful downtown. Keep it up!	I think it is a wonderful venue for stopping by and enjoying an event. I like the "open house" vibe.
Great performances and meeting up with friends	Enjoying a gathering of community members.	Loved taking my Grandson for the first time.	Helping paint the street is a great memory. I hope to do it again. I do think 6th Street has been the best addition to downtown Columbus since the Commons was redone. I think we should continue to invest in the streetscape.	Photo opportunities, sharing with out of town friends and family
Loved helping Abstract Nick with the building mural.	It's my happy place that I will go out of my way to be there. It brings joy to my day. The time of day or even season changes my perspective.	I love that people from all over take their photos with the Alley.	I like the mural that has been painted. It's especially cool looking when seen from above and looking down, as has been portrayed in marketing material. So many times we only see things from ground level and normally only by what we see in our line of sight when we walk, not the whole visual experience.	The alley looks fabulous. It really looks nice. Never stop having performances.
I loved taking my son to an event at the 6th Street Arts Alley after we had just moved here from downtown Seattle and seeing all the diversity and culture that Columbus had to offer really changed my perspective of this city. I'm so proud to say that I live in Columbus, Indiana now and explain to others that it's actually an extremely vibrant and active arts community.	I look forward to attending more events you host in the future!	I think that any public art downtown or anywhere else in Columbus is important and having a venue that's vibrant to host events is awesome for the community.	6th Street art alley really catches the eye when walking around downtown. Visually it's very stimulating and I'm glad that it's a part of the scenery in the downtown area. Cheers.	Love the colors and energy.
Love the community building it does through the events & programs hosted.	The trio show of Bobbie K Bob Anderson and Laurie Wright was quite fun!	I love that it gives people something to do and promotes the arts in Columbus.	Thanks for all you do for our local community!	Over the last year my daughter routinely asks for us to take a detour of a couple of blocks so we can drive down the colorful street on our way to drop her off at preschool. I love that it has become a landmark in her mind.

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I've had a local photographer use it as the backdrop for some father/daughter photos for Father's Day.	The the art openings, and to sit and visit	Seeing people that I don't often see. Being outdoors, even in winter! Love it! So creative and vibrant.	The feeling of community. 6th Street has brought together diverse groupings from our community and it's great to see everyone enjoying local arts from all the 5 sensations. Great job! Keep up the great work.	I honestly didn't know this existed but have put it on my calendar to check out the area this coming weekend!
It's a gem and proud to live in a city that allows and encourages this.	I just love that this exists.	love the open art gallery with food and music outside.	love touring it with my 5th graders last year.	As a phoyographer, I love the versatility of the murals.
It's a great way to experience downtown.	It's a great area to walk near the library and right off Washington.	Love using the space to host art making workshops.	Love the community spirit.	It has been fun to watch from the beginning while being painted to then see it become a gathering place for community members and visitors,
Love the colors and art.	Loved helping with the street painting.	The color and the surprise it brings!	I have taken photos there and always love the outcome.	Great spot to stop by and take pictures
I do some photography work as a side gig, and love doing senior picture sessions in the arts alley - pictures always come out great!	Thank you for creating this space and bringing some more color to our downtown! I love that every block downtown has something new to take in.	I love that programming brings people together for the sake of art and culture. Keep it up!	It's so eye catching to walk by. It really captures the love of visual art in the community.	Met some great people there who I'm still in touch with even now. Also saw Flat Earth - the rock music scene is pretty much dead in Columbus and for rock/metal lovers like me, getting to see rock bands here is a bliss.
It's like the backyard bbq of Columbus. Everyone comes together, catches up - it's a springboard for downtown activity	My family walks along 6th St often. My grandchildren were engaged by the artists to offer color choices and share in painting the murals. Now (and forever...), they feel a strong connection to the alley and its beautiful design.	Thank you for activating this wonderful space!		

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<p>4th street was modified to include stop arms that allow for street closure. Instead of introducing another street to be subject to random closures, why not permanently close 4th street between Jackson and Washington?</p>	<p>I wish we can bring more diversity to our audience (bring more Latino, Black, Asian community members) to be more inclusive.</p>	<p>It would be SO COOL if we could someone find resources to make the Alley like 4th Street with barriers that can go down easily.</p>	<p>Food trucks during the lunch hour and dinner hour!</p>	<p>I would love to see it activated in conjunction with other events and programs, such as concerts at the library, summer reading parties, etc.</p>
<p>More lighting and having the street closed with places to sit would bring us downtown on warm evenings to enjoy the space with friends and family.</p>	<p>Food trucks with vegan options at events would make me 100% more likely to attend!</p>	<p>I hope there's a plan to refresh the street mural every few years because it's showing its wear. I love attending programs there because it feels so intimate. It would be great if they could often be tied in with special downtown retail and restaurant walks. That seems to help everyone.</p>	<p>I know there's always going to be rules and regulations blocking you, but man it would be awesome if it was always pedestrian only</p>	<p>I would love to see more local art fairs down this alley or even a farmers market adjacent event here!</p>
<p>Would love to see more weekend events! I also love the idea of closing the road so we can enjoy this unique space any day, which would encourage more foot traffic too. But overall, we love everything about the alley and the events you put together for it. Hope to be able to attend more this year!</p>	<p>If the road was closed, the paint would be more fresh..... but perhaps the pass through keeps it connected. I think the paint needs refreshed. It would be nice for the work to evolve... but you can always connect it to the mural before... ie like the addition of flowers weaving through the existing stripes.... Artists in conversation over time. Then perhaps the next artist portray animals playing in the flowers, the stripes still visible, but no longer prominent.</p>	<p>I would love to see a consistent schedule of events posted, especially not in the summer (it can be too hot without shade there).</p>	<p>One small comment would be to switch up the day of the week for events as we had many conflicts due to kids sports when most events get scheduled on Thursdays for example.</p>	<p>Keep up the great work!! Add the sails and lighting:).</p>
<p>More chairs to sit</p>	<p>I would like to see permanent shaded seating, so that the area could be utilized by small groups for meetings, lunch etc.</p>	<p>I think a primary objective should be to permanently close 6th street to cars. This aligns with Landmarks's quality of place push as well as what we are doing at ODD.</p>	<p>More free activities pertaining to art and creativity.</p>	<p>Bring in more than just music, though I'd love to hear some electronic music. Interactive events such as artists at work, art workshops, baking/cooking, fabric arts activities, plants/flower shows and sales.</p>

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<p>Street poetry reading would be a cool thing to include</p>	<p>I think trying a local Art fair on 6th street with local and regional Artists would be a interesting event to try . Having DJ music accompanymnt at the Art fair would add to the atmosphere along 6th street</p>	<p>I hope we can just keep adding to our downtown to bring more people to the area. And I especially love dog friendly areas.</p>	<p>Neighborhood! Most improvements I would think should be for events not necessarily permanent installations</p>	<p>I don't have kids but most events have little one there either a temporary or rotating kids activity area could be an asset.</p>
<p>Lighting is needed especially in the fall/winter. The holiday program was great, but I nearly killed myself in the dark alley. The heaters were also a nice touch.</p>	<p>I strongly would like to see the street permanently closed to traffic! It's really a pretty useless street as far as downtown traffic flow goes. Endless possibilities for that little street.</p>	<p>I would love to see a couple of pieces of sculpture (temporary or permanent) installed there.</p>	<p>I haven't been able to attend many local events in the last two years. But the integration of more and more local events is what Columbus needs. We need to empower people to do things that they're excited about.</p>	<p>I would like to see, when possible, examples of musicians, performance artists, who are stretching the boundaries of their art. I missed Laura Mershon's performance, there are other young folks who grew up in Columbus, but who do performance and noise music, Christy Blizzard, Dane Patterson, Ian Kohen's son, who has traveled internationally with his solo looping guitar. There must be more. Work you wouldn't see in Columbus unless the arts council sponsored them. Plus a chance for Columbus to be proud of their sons and daughters.</p>
<p>Would love to see some regular activity like farmer's market once a quarter..with local vendors..art demonstrations, related to season, preschool music and dance, school year kids (small skits), local talent show for kids</p>	<p>I hosted a concert with a band and thought it was good but has potential to be better. The more people, the cooler it can be on that street during an event.</p>	<p>Maybe do some Friday night events instead of Thursday to see if that draws bigger crowds. I think the best combo for 6th street is music/food/drinks.</p>	<p>Improving the green strip next to sidewalk by parking lot would be helpful. Right now, it is often weedy. I am happy to help with that.</p>	<p>Let's get the street closed to traffic and keep improving it as the center for arts culture in Columbus.</p>
<p>Seating and tables would be desirable especially if an event involves food.</p>	<p>Regarding the murals, I would like to see them (eventually) upgraded (on ground level), not necessarily changed.</p>	<p>I think the music should be light to allow for conversation to be able to happen. Since food trucks are becoming more popular, having two or more of these nearby would be nice. Can the public parking lot north of 6th street be utilized as well.</p>	<p>More seating would be a great asset!</p>	<p>Loved it as a spill-out area for 411 when exhibits were better.</p>

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<p>I'd love to take a HS class field trip with a downtown personal guide to teach us about the area. We live in Decatur County.</p>	<p>I have only attended one event, but I find the visual impact very whimsical and encourages artistic thoughts and freedoms. Because Columbus has a very diverse population of people, I see multiple opportunities for different events, both cultural and artistic in nature. I watched the development of 4th Street, and now 6th Street. Looking forward, maybe each of our downtown streets could have a theme or something related to its history. I don't know what that looks or sounds like, but what the heck, thought I'd throw it out there to explore!</p>	<p>Show more local artists as features.</p>	<p>Collaborate with other downtown entities that host events (library, IU Miller School of Architecture, Visitors Center...) to ensure a diverse offering of opportunities & to identify areas of greater collaboration.</p>	<p>Sometimes having the food trucks and live music and everything else on top of gallery openings make it uncomfortable for me to go to the opening. Due to a sensitivity to overly noisy and crowded locations.</p>
<p>Great location and has tons of potential. Could benefit by having new and unique programming that differs from the other programming downtown (Th shows downtown, etc). More art and music and local creatives sharing their work. Things that pull in a new audience (young people, those that love oddities, tattoos, local unique artists, etc.)</p>	<p>Would be great to spread out from even the Arts Alley and maybe create a small space for artists within the college campus' area.</p>	<p>I'd like programming that isn't in the evening.</p>	<p>Don't think it should be closed permanently. It's a great place for outdoor functions.</p>	<p>Would love to see vegan options at the events! We always have to pack a lunch and deal with a melt down from our toddler when the other kids all get a cupcake but there isn't a vegan one we can buy him.</p>
<p>A question I have, would there be a consideration of workshops for small groups? Hands on learning experiences outside of the scheduled events? I also think having regularly scheduled events help people be engaged.</p>				

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<p>I think that high quality programming does not necessarily mean professional individuals. For example, the nutcracker performance from Dancers Studio is a student group, however I would consider them high quality. Maybe not a 5, but definitely a 4. I think it's essential that local groups primarily be featured, especially those receiving funding through IAC grants. I do not think CAAC should be a programming organization (ie booking non-local groups to come perform) and should instead be focused on local performers (within a one hour radius of Columbus or in Bartholomew County). I would also like to see global music, but was limited to select 4 above.</p>	<p>Nice place but never used</p>	<p>Paint looks bad now, not holding up well. colors dont match columbus</p>
<p>The events above all sound interesting, but I didn't know any were happening.</p>	<p>Liked it before it became an abstract eye sore in a historical area.</p>	<p>The 'art alley' would be better suited along the river or by Mill race Center. You took a historic building and turned it into something that does not belong there. I cannot beleive that any architecture and/or historical societies would have ever allowed that. Goes to show, it is the elite few that make the decisions in Columbus not the residents.</p>
<p>I think the Arts Alley is under utilized</p>	<p>I am just so confused about what CAAC is about recently. Events and exhibits this last year or so have been meh. Breaks my heart.</p>	<p>Ive lived in Columbus for a year and am a regular visitor to downtown and love music and performing arts. That being said, I had no idea this Arts Street existed until researching it for this survey.</p>

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