

LOBBYING REPORT

Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (Section 5) - **All Filers Are Required To Complete This Page**

1. Registrant Name:

AMERICANS FOR THE ARTS

2. Address:

1000 VERMONT AVENUE NW, 6TH FLOOR, WASHINGTON, DC 20005

3. Principal place of business (if different from line 2):

4. Contact Name: NINA OZLU

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Senate ID #: 3812-12

House ID #: 33591000

7. Client Name: Self

TYPE OF REPORT

8. Year 2006 Midyear (January 1 - June 30): **OR** Year End (July 1 - December 31):

9. Check if this filing amends a previously filed version of this report:

10. Check if this is a Termination Report: => Termination Date: _____ 11. No Lobbying Activity:

INCOME OR EXPENSES

Complete Either Line 12 **OR** Line 13

12. Lobbying Firms

INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was:

Less than \$10,000:

\$10,000 or more: => Income (nearest \$20,000): _____

Provide a good faith estimate, rounded to the nearest \$20,000, of all lobbying related income from the client (including all payments to the registrant by any other entity for lobbying activities on behalf of the client).

13. Organizations

EXPENSES relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were:

Less than \$10,000:

\$10,000 or more: => Expenses (nearest \$20,000): 20,000.00

14. Reporting Method.

Check box to indicate expense accounting method. See instructions for description of options.

Method A. Reporting amounts using LDA definitions only

Method B. Reporting amounts under section 6033(b)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code

Method C. Reporting amounts under section 162(e) of the Internal Revenue Code

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Select as many codes as necessary to reflect the general issue areas in which the registrant engaged in lobbying on behalf of the client during the reporting period. Using a separate page for each code, provide information as requested. Attach additional page(s) as needed.

15. General issue area code: ART (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

H.R. 5386 - Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2007 - provisions pertaining to the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) and the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Natl Endowment for the Arts
Natl Foundation on the Arts & Humanities
SENATE
White House Office

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area:

Name: BELAND, JUSTIN
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: DICK, JAY
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: FINCH, ANDY
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: GARCIA, LINA
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: LYNCH, BOB
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: OZLU, NINA
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: ROME, NARRIC
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: SCHAINKER, MIRA
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: SHOOP, NATALIE
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: SPARKS, NICOLE
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above. **None**

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15. General issue area code: EDU (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

HR 5647/S. 3708 - FY 2007 Labor, HHS, and Education Appropriations -Provisions pertaining to arts education programs at the Department of Education -Provisions pertaining to after school learning opportunities through the 21st Century Community Learning Centers Program -Provisions pertaining to appropriations of the Office of Museum Services within the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) HR 1863 - a bill to amend the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965 to make available additional funds to increase access to the arts through the support of education HR 4018 - a bill to deauthorize the Department of Education's arts-in-education programs

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted:

Education, Dept of
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS)
SENATE
White House Office

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Name: OZLU, NINA
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: ROME, NARRIC
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: SCHANKER, MIRA
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: SHOOP, NATALIE
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: SPARKS, NICOLE
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15. General issue area code: FOR (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

H.R. 192 and SRes. 104 - "People to People Engagement in World Affairs Resolution" H.R. 5672 - Department of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2007 -Provisions to increase Fiscal Year 2007 funding for international cultural exchanges through the State Department's Office of Educational and Cultural Affairs

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SENATE

State, Dept of (DOS)

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15. General issue area code: IMM (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

-implementing uniform policies, procedures and training at the office of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) -allowing expedited processing of artist visas under certain conditions without the payment of a premium S. 2611 - to provide for comprehensive immigration reform Implementation of administrative provisions that would reform and streamline O & P visa applications for international artists by: -permitting applications to be filed one year in advance -updating petition forms and instructions

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted:

Bureau of Citizenship & Immigration Services (BCIS)

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SENATE

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15. General issue area code: TAX (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

-in support of provisions in H.R.1607/H.R.3908/S.1780/S.2020/H.R.4297/H.R.4 that would allow individuals to roll over their IRAs to charity without incurring tax -in support of provisions in H.R.3908/S.1780/S.2020/H.R.4297/H.R.4 that would expand the deductibility of charitable gifts -in opposition to provisions in H.R.1607/H.R.3908/S.1780/S.2020/H.R.4297/H.R.4 that would impose restrictions on deductibility fractional gifts of art -in opposition to provision in S.2020 that would impose a floor on itemized deductions for charitable gifts H.R.1120/S.372/S.6/S.2020/H.R.4297/H.R.4 - in support of provisions that would allow artists to take a fair market value deduction for contributions of their own works to museums and libraries

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted:
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Signature: ON FILE Date: Feb 13, 2007

Printed Name and Title: NINA OZLU, CHIEF COUNSEL OF GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC -