

Candidate Information**Your name as it appears on the ballot**

Felicia Brabec

City & Zip

Ann Arbor, Michigan 48106

I am a candidate running for

State of Michigan - State Representative - District 33

Party Affiliation - I am running as a/an

Democrat

I am currently an elected official and hold the office of:

State Representative, District 55

As an elected official, you have an opportunity to lead and influence public policy and investment in the arts + creative industries.

What are your personal beliefs, interests and investments in the arts + creative industries? Please check all that apply.

- I believe that the arts + creative industries are important and that they enhance and improve the quality of life, place and economy in our community making it a great place to create, live, work, learn, play and visit.
- People living in my community should have access to excellent and affordable art, creative, cultural and heritage offerings in our community.
- I believe every child in Washtenaw County should have access to excellent arts and creative education at every grade level.

Government/Municipal Planning - Integrating the Arts + Creative Industries

- Government/Municipal Master Plans
- Government/Municipal Strategic Plans
- Government/Municipal Economic Plans
- Government/Municipal Arts + Creative Industries Plan

Emergency Relief and Restoration

Yes, I will work to require that the arts + creative industries are included and have equitable decision-making responsibility at economic development agencies.

Arts + Creative Education Integration for Student Excellent (ACEISE) in Washtenaw County**My pre-K-12 education included arts + creative education.**

Yes, my pre-K-12 education included arts + creative education.

Arts + Creative Education

Yes, I will be an advocate in support of arts & creative education.

State of Michigan - Arts + Creative Industries Legislative Issues

Michigan Legislative Issues - Arts + Creative Industries.

- Recognize arts + creative businesses (for profit and nonprofit) as an industry and incorporate it in Michigan's Economic Development Department
- Include the arts + creative industries and workers (including gig workers) in Michigan's economic development and workforce initiatives.
- Increase MACC funding, currently set at \$11 million.
- Insist that arts + creative education is available to every child in Michigan.
- Prioritize arts + creativity and engage its professionals in Michigan's tourism initiatives.

What role do you believe elected officials and government agencies should play in leading arts and creative industry development and sustainability in their communities?

I believe governments from the state to local levels should make arts and creativity a priority in terms of funding, support, and policy. Washtenaw County is home to some of the country's most talented artists and performers, and I've proudly supported our wonderful programs and opportunities here.

If elected, what role will you take in leading arts & creative industry development and sustainability in your community?

I will always support legislation that makes arts and creativity a priority, and I will always oppose any effort to decrease funding or take away creative opportunities.

If elected, I will be a leader and champion for the arts + creative industries in sessions, committee meetings and in my district. I look forward to working with and learning from those in my community practicing in, championing and advocating for the arts and creative industries.

- Yes, I will be a leader and champion for the arts + creative industries.

If elected, would you join a legislative arts, humanities and/or creative industries caucus?

- Yes, I would join.
- No, I would not join.

If yes, which caucus would you join?

- Washtenaw County Arts & Creative Industries Caucus - when it is formed.