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Ohio First Lady Karen Kasich provided welcome remarks during the [2015 Governor's Awards for the Arts in Ohio and Arts Day Luncheon](#) at the Columbus Athenaeum on Wednesday, May 14.

“From drawings to dance routines to musical compositions, art is all around us. Artists are risk takers and innovators, and they play a key role not only in Ohio’s rich culture, but also in its economy. It is an honor being part of an event that celebrates some of Ohio’s most talented artists, and I look forward to more opportunities that promote the state’s vibrant art scene.”

As part of her effort to support the arts, Mrs. Kasich was inspired to create [Spotlight: Featured Artists at the Ohio Governor's Residence](#). The program, developed in partnership with the Ohio Arts Council and launched in September 2013, features the works of one selected Ohio artist each quarter at the Ohio Governor’s Residence and Heritage Garden.

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