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KEEPING AUDIENCES CLOSE Audiences Yearning For In-Person Experiences 87% What Arts Orgs Think Audiences Are Missing Most from Arts and Culture 80% 67% 53% 60% 43% 43% 40% 37% 33% 40% 27% 20% 7% 0% Experiencing Spending quality time with family Feeling transported to another place Relaxing or feeling less stressed Learning or experiencing something new Celebrating their cultural heritage Escaping the stress of the Feeling creative or creatively Having fun Broadening artworks. their performances or real world inspired perspective specific performers and friends or time N=30 in person

Arts Orgs Know Audiences Still Hesitant



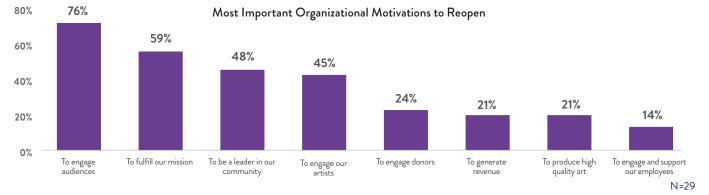
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N=30

17%

43%

Engaging Audiences Top Motivation for Arts Reopening



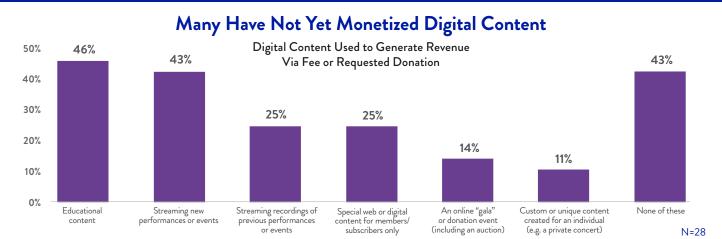


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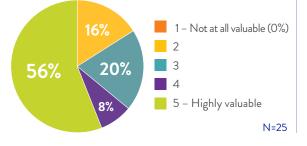
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DRIVING VALUE IN DIGITAL



Most See Digital Content as Very High Value

Perceived Audience Value from Digital Content



Most Successful Donation-Generating Approaches

"We've worked hard to creatively fulfill our mission in new ways. We tell this story repeatedly to our audience and ask them to support us during this crisis."

"Stay in front of our donors through webinars and through regular weekly new and archival content."

"We created a new fund and our board members donated \$150,000 as a match to inspire donations from the community."

"A virtual gala. We had very high engagement (over 1,000 viewers) and generated \$300k — half through pre-commitments, half while live."

"A 9-hour Music Marathon by our musicians playing in their homes streamed on FaceBook Live generated \$65,000."

A PAPERLESS FUTURE?



Plans for Tickets and Playbills After Reopening

