

# CREATE THE OTE 2024

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## 2024 LEGISLATIVE CANDIDATE ARTS SURVEY

**You Name:** Pietro Rotondo

**What office and district are you a candidate for?**

Office: House                      District: 137

**1. Do you have a connection to the arts? If so, please share.**

YES. Former actor. Work as DP and Director for TV and indy films. Have produced many awards shows. I am a musician and very fond of live entertainment such as Theater, opera, musicals. Member of the Paley Center /MoMa/Guggenheim

**2. Can you share an arts experience that has impacted your life or the lives of your family members?**

Music and theater. A majority of my family are musicians and work in entertainment.

**3. The Connecticut legislature hosts the Arts, Culture, and Tourism Caucus, a bipartisan group of legislators who champion state support for the arts community.**

***If elected (or re-elected), will you join (or rejoin) the Caucus?***

Count me in even if I'm not elected.

**4. Studies have shown that arts and culture can deliver a 3 to 1 return on investment at a minimum if adequately funded. Despite this, Connecticut has historically under**

**invested state funds in the arts and lags the rest of the nation in recognizing that arts generate tax revenue and support a thriving economy.**

***If elected (or re-elected), will you support increased investment of state funds in arts and culture?***

I will support it 100%.

**5. Are there any other ways that you'd like to convey to voters how you have been supportive of the arts?**

I help organize and spread the word about local events in local venues and restaurants both in music and fundraises.