

CHAPTER 354.

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An act to incorporate the Maryland Academy of Fine Arts. Passed Mar. 17 1838.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of* Persons incor-
Maryland, That John N. McJilton, N. C. Brooks, T. porated
 S. Arthur, C. A. Harris, C. C. Cox, Martin Lewis,
 John F. McJilton, James Jackson, their associates
 and successors, be, and they are hereby created a cor-
 poration and body politic, by the name and style of Style
 the "Maryland Academy of the Fine Arts;" and by that
 name shall have perpetual succession, and shall be Corporate pow-
 able and capable in law to sue and be sued, implead ers
 and be impleaded, answer and be answered in any
 court of law or equity; to purchase, receive and hold
 estate, in fee simple or any less estate, not exceeding
 one hundred thousand dollars, and personal property,
 and the same to convey, as hereinafter provided; to
 make and use a common seal, and the same to change
 and alter at pleasure, and to ordain and establish such
 bye-laws and regulations, not contrary to law, as shall
 be necessary or convenient for conducting the affairs
 of the said corporation.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the objects of the Objects express-
 said corporation are declared to be for the promotion ed
 of the fine arts in the city of Baltimore; the said city
 to be the seat of the said academy, and therein to col-
 lect such paintings, statuary, engravings and other
 specimens of the arts, which, as far as practicable,
 within the power of the said corporation to provide,
 shall be of modern production, that will most directly
 contribute to the encouragement of native American
 artists, in the respective departments of the fine arts;
 therewith also to connect instruction in relation to the
 fine arts by lectures, and such other modes and means
 as the said corporation may deem the most expedient
 and requisite for imparting the usefulness and benefits
 of the said arts respectively, together with such build-
 ings, and conveniences and appurtenances as may be
 necessary to carry the aforesaid objects and intentions
 into full and complete effect.