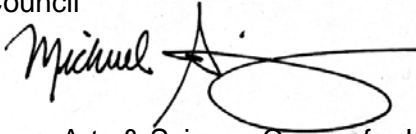


Date: January 21, 2015

To: Members,
Cultural Affairs Council

From: Michael Spring,
Director



Subject: FY 2014-15 Summer Arts & Science Camps for Kids (SAS-C)
Grants Program Recommendations

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Council approve the funding of 31 grants for a total of \$450,000 from the FY 2014-2015 Summer Arts & Science Camps for Kids (SAS-C) Grants Program.

BACKGROUND

The FY 2014-2015 Summer Arts & Science Camps for Kids (SAS-C) Grants Panel, chaired by Councilor Monty Trainer, convened on Thursday, January 8, 2015 to review 31 applications requesting a total of \$783,840. The Panel recommended funding all 31 applications for a total of \$450,000. The Summer Arts & Science Camps for Kids (SAS-C) Grants Program was created as a joint initiative of the Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs and The Children's Trust. The objective of the SAS-C Program is to grant funding to non-profit organizations that will provide underserved children in Miami-Dade County with opportunities to attend high quality cultural arts or science summer camp programs at little or no cost. Funding through the SAS-C Grants Program is intended to augment existing programs, providing more children with the opportunity to participate in cultural arts and science summer camps. Applicants to this program must have a minimum one-year track record of providing high quality, arts or science summer camp programs for children and/or youth in Miami-Dade County.

The Panel specifically evaluated each applicant organization based on the following competitive review criteria: 1) impact, 2) artistic/scientific merit, 3) management capability, and 4) reach/priority considerations.

Priority attention for evaluating applications was given to:

- projects that addressed children whose ability to participate in such programs may be limited by geography, economics or disability; and
- projects in which unduplicated children underwritten by SAS-C funding will attend the camp program for four weeks or more.

Attached is a list describing the projects recommended for funding.

Funding for the Summer Arts & Science Camps for Kids Grants Program is derived from funds granted to the Department from The Children's Trust (\$450,000). All grant award recommendations are contingent upon approval by the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners and Mayor, and are subject to the availability of funds.

Summer Arts & Science Camps for Kids Grants Program (SAS-C)

FY 2014-2015 Grant Award Recommendations

1. Actors' Playhouse Productions, Inc.

280 Miracle Mile
Coral Gables, Florida 33134
Est. # of Children/Youth to be Served: 18
Summer Camp 2015
District Location(s) for Project Activity: *6

Recommended Award: \$11,000

Grant funds are requested to support 16 full scholarships for students ages 7-12, to attend the Children's Camp plus 2 full scholarships for students ages 13-17, to attend the advanced musical theatre camp, from June 8 to August 9, 2015 at the Miracle Theatre in Coral Gables. Camp activities will include camp musical theatre training experiences. Participants will engage in music, dance, monologue writing, scenic and costume design, and learn the magic of live theater through performance and developing a show.

2. Area Performance Gallery, Inc. d/b/a Area Stage Company

1560 South Dixie Highway, Suite 103
Coral Gables, Florida 33146
Est. # of Children/Youth to be Served: 40
Theatre Conservatory Scholarship Program '15
District Location(s) for Project Activity: *7

Recommended Award: \$17,283

Grant funds are requested to support 30 full and 10 partial scholarships for students ages 6-18, to attend the Area Stage Conservatory from June 8 to August 23, 2015 at the Riviera Theatre in Coral Gables. Activities include participating in a theater production, including weekly workshops in acting, dance, voice, music theory, improvisation, scene study, and orchestra studies for musicians. Hands-on opportunities for actors, musicians and technicians are provided while weekly, while public performances foster a sense of community and family fun.

3. Arts Ballet Theatre of Florida, Inc

15939 Biscayne Boulevard
North Miami Beach, Florida 33160
Est. # of Children/Youth to be Served: 35
Summer Ballet Intensive
District Location(s) for Project Activity: *4

Recommended Award: \$13,716

Grant funds are requested to support 35 full scholarships for students ages 5-17 to attend the Arts Ballet Theatre of Florida's Summer Ballet Programs from June 8 to July 25, 2015 at Arts Ballet Theatre in North Miami Beach. Activities include: Session I - introductory dance training and fun activities for beginners and Session II - intensive intermediate to advanced ballet training from renowned instructors. Students learn ballet and develop essential character and life skills that enable and empower success.

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4. ArtSouth, A Not-For-Profit Corporation

5825 SW 68 Street, Suite 2-202

Recommended Award: \$17,780

Miami, Florida 33143

Est. # of Children/Youth to be Served: 50

ArtSouth Creative Arts Summer Camp

District Location(s) for Project Activity: *7

Grant funds are requested to support 50 full scholarships for students ages 6-12, to attend the ArtSouth Creative Arts Summer Camp from June 15 to August 7, 2015 at the Gibson-Bethel Community Center in South Miami. Camp activities will include instruction in a variety of arts activities. Participants will engage in multidisciplinary arts disciplines and learn visual arts, crafts, music, theater and dance.

5. Barry University, Inc.

11300 NE 2 Avenue

Recommended Award: \$3,820

Miami Shores, Florida 33161

Est. # of Children/Youth to be Served: 12

Summer Science Research Program (SSRP)

District Location(s) for Project Activity: *3

Grant funds are requested to support 12 full scholarships for youth ages 15-17, to attend the comprehensive Summer Science Research Program from June 15 to July 2, 2015 at Barry University in Miami Shores. Through interactive lectures and workshops on college preparation and inquiry-based, hands-on laboratory research, students will engage their minds and hands to experience the life sciences; and learn the exhilaration of discovery and the tools for college readiness.

6. Centro Cultural Español de Cooperacion Iberoamericana Inc.

1490 Biscayne Boulevard

Recommended Award: \$5,339

Miami, Florida 33132

Est. # of Children/Youth to be Served: 15

Alice in Wonderland Arts Project

District Location(s) for Project Activity: *3

Grant funds are requested to support 15 full scholarships for students ages 7-13, to attend the Alice in Wonderland Art Project Camp from June 15 to July 24, 2015 at the Cultural Center of Spain in Downtown Miami. Camp activities will include dance and theater activities. Participants will engage in dance and theater disciplines and learn an interdisciplinary approach to language, understanding, and the creation of a dance theater piece.

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7. Diva Arts & Entertainment, Inc.

4331 NW 194 Street

Miami, Florida 33055

Est. # of Children/Youth to be Served: 50

Arts & Academics for Excellence

District Location(s) for Project Activity: *1

Recommended Award: \$16,640

Grant funds are requested to support 25 full and 25 partial scholarships for 50 students ages 5-17 to attend the Arts & Academics for Excellence 2015 Summer Camp from June 15 to August 7, 2015 at Diva Arts Dance Studio in Miami Gardens. Camp activities will include classes in dance, musical theater, media, vocal, fashion, technology, personal development and creative communications. Curriculum will build performance skills, dance techniques, self-esteem and positive peer relations.

8. enFAMILIA, INC.

P.O. BOX 924229

Homestead, Florida 33092

Est. # of Children/Youth to be Served: 30

Art in Action Summer Camp

District Location(s) for Project Activity: *9

Recommended Award: \$16,483

Grant funds are requested to support 30 full scholarships for students ages 12-17, to attend the Art in Action Summer Camp from June 15 to July 10, 2015 at the Everglades Community Center in Florida City. Program activities include field trips, public performances showcasing the students' work and two art workshops for parents. Participants will engage in the arts and they will learn musical theater, drama, dance, video production, creative writing, visual and culinary arts.

9. Florida Film Institute, Inc.

640 NE 124 Street

North Miami, Florida 33161

Est. # of Children/Youth to be Served: 6

CINEMA Summer Film Camp

District Location(s) for Project Activity: *6

Recommended Award: \$5,318

Grant funds are requested to support 6 full scholarships for students ages 13 -18, to attend the CINEMA Summer Film Camp from June 15 to July 23, 2015 at the Coral Gables Art Cinema in Coral Gables. Camp activities will include hands-on instruction in cinematography. Participants will engage in filmmaking and learn scriptwriting, set design, costume, hair/makeup creation, lighting, camera, sound design, editing and acting.

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10. Florida International University Board of Trustees for the benefit of the College of Engineering

11200 SW 8 Street, MARC 430

Recommended Award: \$30,000

Miami, Florida 33199

Est. # of Children/Youth to be Served: 30

The MiamiPrep Summer Camp

District Location(s) for Project Activity: *10

Grant funds are requested to support 30 full scholarships for students ages 9-14, to attend the MiamiPrep Summer Program from June 15 to July 24, 2015 at the FIU Engineering Center in Miami. Camp activities will include four daily courses: Exploring Transportation Engineering; College, Career & Financial Planning; Computer Technology; and Outdoor Activities. Campers will engage in lectures, hands-on experiments, guest speaker presentations, field trips, project competitions, and a capstone poster presentation.

11. Friends of the Bass Museum, Inc.

2100 Collins Avenue

Recommended Award: \$9,791

Miami Beach, Florida 33139

Est. # of Children/Youth to be Served: 35

IDEA@thebass Summer Art Camps 2015

District Location(s) for Project Activity: *5

Grant funds are requested to support 35 full scholarships for students ages 7-12, to attend the IDEA@thebass Summer Art Camps from June 8 to July 31, 2015 at the Miami Beach Regional Library and the Miami Beach Convention Center in Miami Beach. Camp activities will include week-long, themed visual arts activities designed to introduce participants to the IDEA process and Design Thinking.

12. Greater Miami Youth Symphony of Dade County, Florida, Inc.

5275 Sunset Drive

Recommended Award: \$30,000

Miami, Florida 33143

Est. # of Children/Youth to be Served: 45

Greater Miami Youth Symphony Beginner Summer Camp

District Location(s) for Project Activity: *8

Grant funds are requested to support 45 full scholarships for students ages 5-14 to attend the Beginners' Summer Camp from July 13 to August 7, 2015 at the Deering Estate at Cutler and the City Church of Homestead. Camp activities will include beginning string and wind instrument instruction, chorus, recorder, and music appreciation/theory class. Participants will engage in instrumental and general music classes and learn basic musicianship and technique.

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13. Locust Projects, Inc.

3852 North Miami Avenue
Miami, Florida 33127

Recommended Award: \$8,221

Est. # of Children/Youth to be Served: 8

Locust Art Builders Summer Intensive

District Location(s) for Project Activity: *3

Grant funds will support 8 scholarships for students ages 14-18 to attend the Locust Art Builders Summer Intensive (LAB) from June 22 to July 11 and August 10-14, 2015 at Locust Projects in Miami's Design District. Activities include hands-on art making, visits to art venues, mentorship by professional artists, documentation, critical debate, career and art education seminars with guest speakers, exhibition planning, and public relations.

14. Marjory Stoneman Douglas Biscayne Nature Center, Inc.

6767 Crandon Boulevard
Key Biscayne, Florida 33149

Recommended Award: \$16,640

Est. # of Children/Youth to be Served: 80

Summer By the Sea Arts and Science Summer Camp

District Location(s) for Project Activity: *7

Grant funds are requested to support 80 full scholarships for students ages 10-12, to attend the Summer by the Sea Arts and Science Summer Camp from June 8, 2015 to August 14, 2015 at the Marjory Stoneman Douglas Biscayne Nature Center in Crandon Park on Key Biscayne. Camp activities will include swimming and water sports, exploration of Bear Cut Preserve's ecosystems, marine science dissections, and nature oriented art activities and projects to teach an appreciation of nature.

15. Miami City Ballet, Inc.

2200 Liberty Avenue
Miami Beach, Florida 33139

Recommended Award: \$13,449

Est. # of Children/Youth to be Served: 12

Miami City Ballet School Summer Dance Camp

District Location(s) for Project Activity: *5

Grant funds are requested to support 12 full scholarships for youth ages 12-18, to attend the intensive Miami City Ballet (MCB) School Summer Dance Camp from June 22 to July 25, 2015, at MCB Studios in Miami Beach. Camp activities will include intensive dance instruction in addition to field trips such as a Perez Art Museum Miami tour, excursions to Crandon Beach, and a Miami Marlins game. Participants will engage in advanced dance training, peer relationship building and learn Pointe, Jazz, Modern, Pilates, and Dancer Wellness.

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16. **Miami Dance Project, Inc.**

7460 SW 117 Avenue
Miami, Florida 33183

Recommended Award: \$14,974

Est. # of Children/Youth to be Served: 55
MDP 2015 Summer Dance Camp
District Location(s) for Project Activity: *10, *7, *8

Grant funds are requested to support 55 full scholarships for students ages 6-18, to attend the Miami Dance Project (MDP) 2015 Summer Dance Camp from June 8, 2015 to August 14, 2015 at MDP's main site in Kendall. Camp activities will include ballet, jazz, modern dances and yoga. Participants will engage in dance and learn technique, dance history and vocabulary, and team work.

17. **Miami Music Project, Inc.**

2125 Biscayne Boulevard, Unit 215
Miami, Florida 33137

Recommended Award: \$17,447

Est. # of Children/Youth to be Served: 34
2015 Music Camp
District Location(s) for Project Activity: *5

Grant funds are requested to support 34 full scholarships for students ages 7-15, to attend Summer Music Camp from June 29 to July 24, 2015 at Citrus Grove Middle School in Little Havana. Camp activities will include 4 hours of intensive daily music instruction. Participants will engage in orchestral, music theory/solfege, choir and social development classes, and will develop musical skills, ensemble playing, singing and music theory, and executive functioning skills.

18. **Miami Theater Center Inc.**

9806 NE 2 Avenue
Miami Shores, Florida 33138

Recommended Award: \$9,728

Est. # of Children/Youth to be Served: 27
2015 Musical Theatre Summer Camp
District Location(s) for Project Activity: *3

Grant funds are requested to support 27 full scholarships for students ages 6-16, to attend 1 of 2 Musical Theater Summer Camp sessions from June 8-26, 2015 or July 13-31, 2015 at Miami Theater Center and Miami Shores Presbyterian Church in Miami Shores. Camp activities will include acting, music, dancing, theatre games, design, art projects, costume days, and the creation of a unique theatre production. Campers will increase arts awareness, artistic proficiency, communications, and relationship-building skills.

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19. Miami-Dade County Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Department

275 NW 2 Street
Miami, Florida 33128
Est. # of Children/Youth to be Served: 26
Girls Empowerment and Mentoring (G.E.M.) Summer Camp
District Location(s) for Project Activity: *10

Recommended Award: \$15,414

Grant funds are requested to support 26 full scholarships for girls age 11-16, to attend the GEM Girls Summer Arts Camp from June 8 to August 7, 2015 at The Women's Park in Miami and Raices Hispanic Cultural Arts Center at Miller Drive Park in Southwest Miami-Dade County. GEM provides the perfect arts learning environment for girls to engage in a multi-arts program that offers classes and workshops in the visual and performing arts journalism, film, women's studies and leadership.

20. Museum of Science, Inc. (dba Miami Science Museum)

3280 South Miami Avenue
Miami, Florida 33129
Est. # of Children/Youth to be Served: 40
Miami Science Museum Summer Science Camp
District Location(s) for Project Activity: *1, *7

Recommended Award: \$13,837

Grant funds are requested to support 40 full scholarships for students ages 4-13, to attend the Miami Science Museum Summer Science Camp from June 15 to July 10, 2015 at North Glade Elementary in Opa-Locka. Camp activities will include hydroponics, urban gardening and nutrition, shark biology, ecological restoration and computer programming. Participants will engage in science disciplines and learn science related to health, nutrition, ecology, marine biology, and computers.

21. PATH: Preserving, Archiving & Teaching Hiphop, Inc.

10917 NW 12 Court
Miami, Florida 33167
Est. # of Children/Youth to be Served: 19
PATH Hip Hop Summer Academy 2015
District Location(s) for Project Activity: *3

Recommended Award: \$12,470

Grant funds are requested to support 19 full scholarships for students ages 13-18, to attend the PATH Hip Hop Summer Academy from June 29 to August 7, 2015 at the Light Box in Wynwood. Camp activities will include instruction and independent practice in the Hip Hop elements (DJ/music production, MC/Spoken Word, Bboy/Bgirl & Urban Art), group projects, personal development workshops and a Hiphop theater piece. Participants will learn creative, performance, critical thinking and technical skills.

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22. Performing Arts Center Trust, Inc. dba Adrienne Arsht Center for the Performing Arts of Miami-Dade County

1300 Biscayne Boulevard

Recommended Award: \$30,000

Miami, Florida 33132

Est. # of Children/Youth to be Served: 10

AileyCamp Miami 2015

District Location(s) for Project Activity: *3

Grant funds are requested to support 10 full scholarships for students ages 11-14, to attend AileyCamp Miami from June 22 to August 1, 2015 at the Adrienne Arsht Center for the Performing Arts of Miami-Dade County in downtown Miami. Camp activities include daily dance lessons as well as creative communications and personal development. Participants will engage in ballet, jazz, modern and West African dance and learn the importance of social relations, healthy eating and regular exercise.

23. South Florida Youth Symphony, Inc.

12645 SW 114 Avenue

Recommended Award: \$13,575

Miami, Florida 33176

Est. # of Children/Youth to be Served: 40

2015 Summer Music Academy

District Location(s) for Project Activity: *13

Grant funds are requested to support 40 full scholarships for students ages 8-17, to attend the 2015 Summer Music Academy from June 15 to July 10, 2015 at the Miami Lakes Congregational Church in Miami Lakes. Camp activities will include group and individual instrumental lessons and ensembles, music theory, composition, piano, and chorus. Participants will engage in learning music, the language of music and performing music in concert while working together with peers.

24. The Children's Voice Chorus, Inc.

14401 Old Cutler Road

Recommended Award: \$2,239

Palmetto Bay, Florida 33158

Est. # of Children/Youth to be Served: 20

The Children's Voice Summer Choral Camp- Making the Music Video

District Location(s) for Project Activity: *8

Grant funds are requested to support 10 full and 10 partial scholarships for 20 students ages 8-17, to attend the Children's Voice Chorus Summer Camp from June 15 to July 3, 2015 at Old Cutler Church in Palmetto Bay. Camp activities will include beginning through advanced choral instruction, music theory, dance, and film and audio production. Participants will engage in music education and choral rehearsals and learn musicianship skills, songwriting skills and vocal technique.

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25. THE DAVE AND MARY ALPER JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER, INC.

11155 SW 112 Avenue
Miami, Florida 33176
Est. # of Children/Youth to be Served: 30
Alper JCC Habimah Performing Arts Summer Camp
District Location(s) for Project Activity: *7

Recommended Award: \$14,686

Grant funds are requested to support 30 full scholarships for students aged 8-13, to attend the Alper JCC Habimah Performing Arts Camp from June 15 to August 7, 2015 at the Dave and Mary Alper Jewish Community Center in Kendall. Camp activities will include dance, drama, art and music. Campers will engage in dance, music, theater and visual arts and learn acting, choreography, character and team building, costuming, lighting, scenery, sound and set design.

26. The Miami Children's Museum, Inc.

980 Macarthur Causeway
Miami, Florida 33132
Est. # of Children/Youth to be Served: 27
MCM's 2015 Kid's World Summer Camp
District Location(s) for Project Activity: *5

Recommended Award: \$15,414

Grant funds are requested to support 27 full scholarships for students ages 5-10, to attend the 2015 Kid's World Summer Camp from June 15 to July 24, 2015 at the Miami Children's Museum in Miami. Camp activities will include culture-specific art, dance, music and theatrical demonstrations and lessons. Participants will engage in hands-on culinary, dramatic, musical, visual arts and sciences activities while learning about our multicultural world and how to communicate with others.

27. The Motivational Edge, Inc.

3323 NW 17 Avenue
Miami, Florida 33142
Est. # of Children/Youth to be Served: 12
The Edge's Art and Music Summer Camp
District Location(s) for Project Activity: *3

Recommended Award: \$5,828

Grant funds are requested to support 12 full scholarships for students ages 7-16, to attend the Edge Art and Music Summer Camp from June 15 to August 7, 2015 at the Motivational Edge's Allapattah Music and Literacy Center in Allapattah. Camp activities will include weekly camp topics that align with science and art activities throughout the summer. Participants will engage in various art and science disciplines (STEAM) and attain a wealth of scientific and artistic concepts.

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28. The South Florida Boys Choir, Incorporated

10212 SW 183 Street
Miami, Florida 33157

Recommended Award: \$7,707

Est. # of Children/Youth to be Served: 30
Summer Music Institute 2015 (SMI 2015)
District Location(s) for Project Activity: *9, *8

Grant funds are requested to support 30 full scholarships for students ages 7-17, to attend the 2015 Summer Music Institute (SMI) from June 8 to July 24, 2015 at the Kerr Memorial United Methodist Church in West Perrine. Camp activities will include artistic training (vocal and performance) and academic enrichment (reading, math/science). Participants will engage in comprehensive voice training (solo and choir), movement/choreography, perform at three community events and present a summer concert.

29. The Thomas Armour Youth Ballet, Inc.

5818 SW 73 Street
Miami, Florida 33143

Recommended Award: \$30,000

Est. # of Children/Youth to be Served: 60
TAYB Summer Ballet Program
District Location(s) for Project Activity: *7, *3

Grant funds are requested to support 30 full and 30 partial scholarships for 60 students ages 7-17, to attend the Ballet Intensive from June 8 to August 14, 2015 at TAYB's main site in South Miami. Advanced students will obtain as many as five hours of dance instruction per day. Camp activities will include daily classes in ballet to improve technique, alignment, vocabulary, strength, flexibility, and musicality.

30. THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF GREATER MIAMI, INC.

730 NW 107 Avenue, Suite 200
Miami, Florida 33172

Recommended Award: \$13,851

Est. # of Children/Youth to be Served: 45
Jr Marine Biology Camp
District Location(s) for Project Activity: *8

Grant funds are requested to support 8 full and 37 partial scholarships for 45 students ages 8-13, to attend the Homestead YMCA Jr. Marine Biology Camp from June 15 to August 7, 2015 at the Homestead Family Y in Homestead. Camp activities will include a variety of marine science activities, including snorkeling, swimming, field trips and field exploration. Participants will engage in marine biology and learn skills related to the ocean and environmental sciences.

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31. Urgent, Inc.

1000 NW 1 Avenue, Suite 100

Recommended Award: \$17,350

Miami, Florida 33136

Est. # of Children/Youth to be Served: 30

Film Arts & Culture Coding & Entrepreneurship (FACE) Camp

District Location(s) for Project Activity: *3

Grant funds are requested to support 30 full scholarships for students ages 6-18, to attend the Film Arts & Culture Coding Entrepreneurship (FACE) Camp from June 15 to July 24, 2015 at the Center for Empowerment & Education in Overtown, Miami. Camp activities will include concentrations in film, theater, visual arts, computer coding and entrepreneurship. Participants will engage in the performing arts and technology to learn film, theater, painting and computer coding.

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