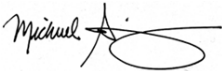


Memorandum



Date: May 17, 2017
To: Members, Cultural Affairs Council
From: Michael Spring 
Subject: FY 2016-2017 Community Grants Program – Fourth Quarter Recommendations

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Council approve the funding of 26 grants for a total of \$122,691.00 from the FY 2016-2017 Community Grants Program – Fourth Quarter.

BACKGROUND

The FY 2016-2017 Community Grants program panel, chaired by Councilor Jana Sigars-Malina, convened on April 27, 2017 to review 26 applications requesting \$181,260.00 for the Fourth Quarter of the program. The Panel recommended funding 26 applicants for a total of \$122,691.00.

The projects recommended for funding represent a diversified range of activities and demographic locations. In its deliberations, the Panel carefully considered and applied the Community Grants guidelines as outlined below.

The Community Grants Program is responsive on a quarterly basis to organizations, which develop small and large-scale community-based programs, projects, events, and publications. The program is particularly sensitive to the needs of: 1) indigenous cultural neighborhood activities and projects encouraging the preservation of heritage, traditions and culture; and 2) social service organizations and cultural groups developing collaborative intervention projects.

The Panel specifically evaluated each applicant organization based on the following competitive review criteria: 1) quality of program; 2) administrative capability; 3) marketing strategy; 4) fundraising efforts; and 5) geographic location of event. Attached is a list describing the projects being recommended for funding.

Attachment

Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs
FY2016-17 Community Grants (CG) – 4th Quarter
Grant Award Recommendations

1 Algo Nuevo Incorporated

412 NW 11 Avenue
Miami, Florida 33128
Algo Nuevo Stars in their Second Youth
07/09/2017 - 09/30/2017

Recommended Award: \$4,273

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 6, 12 & 13*

Funds are requested to support Algo Nuevo's Stars in their Second Youth, a series of eight dance and music performances celebrating Latin American cultural roots. Performances will take place at City of Hialeah Gardens Senior Centers, Hialeah Housing Authority, Miami Banquet Hall and Milander Arts Center. This event is open to the public.

2 Area Performance Gallery, Inc. dba Area Stage Company a/f/a for Shakespeare Troupe of South Florida

1560 South Dixie Highway
Coral Gables, Florida 33146
Scenes from Shakespeare in Mainstage and Outreach Performances
07/12/2017 - 09/25/2017

Recommended Award: \$5,342

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 3, 4, 6 & 7*

Funds are requested to support two main-stage performances: 'Scenes from Shakespeare' at GableStage and Area Stage, ten educational workshops to train actors in Shakespeare's First Folio text, and six outreach performances at Camillus House, Florida International University, Betterway of Miami and the Village South for rehabilitation purposes and to develop new audiences. All performances, presented by Equity and other professional actors, are free of charge and open to the public.

3 Artefactus Cultural Project, Inc

14963 SW 75 Terrace
Miami, Florida 33193
MiniTheater
08/05/2017 - 09/24/2017

Recommended Award: \$5,342

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 9*

Funds are requested to support MiniTheatre, an educational arts summer program designed for children between 5 to 12 years old. Led by teaching artists specialized in literature, drama, visual arts and music, MiniTheatre will teach children how to create their own stories, costumes, props and sets. The culminating performance will take place at Artefactus Theater and is open to the public.

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**4 Artefactus Cultural Project, Inc a/f/a for
KENDALL ART CULTURAL CENTER, INC.**
12063 SW 131 Street
Miami, Florida 33186
First Festival of Arts of Kendall
08/19/2017 - 08/20/2017

Recommended Award: \$2,848

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 9*

Funds are requested to support the Festival of the Arts of Kendall, a street arts festival featuring visual artists, artisans, chefs, live music and arts and crafts activities for children. The festival will take place in the parking area of Kendall Art Center and will be free and open to the public.

**5 Bascomb Memorial Broadcasting Foundation, Inc. a/f/a for
Jazz Educators Community Coalition**
2921 Coral Way
Miami, Florida 33145
JECC and Friends at Pinecrest Gardens
09/24/2017 - 09/24/2017

Recommended Award: \$2,849

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 7*

Funds are requested to support a Mini Jazz Festival with performances by the JECC Jazz Educator Community Coalition and other community-based music organizations at Pinecrest Gardens. This event is open to the public.

6 Culture and Community Association, Inc.
1518 Palermo Avenue
Coral Gables, Florida 33134
Musical and Cultural Souvenirs of the World
07/13/2017 - 09/30/2017

Recommended Award: \$4,273

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 5, 6, 7 & 12*

Funds are requested to support the presentation of "Tango y Bolero", "El Son y Mas" and "Teatro Español" at the Institute of Cuban American Studies and seven senior centers: St. Dominique Gardens, West Dade Adult Day Care, Residential Adult Day Care, Sweetwater Adult Day Care, South Miami Plaza, Carrol Mannor Center and West Miami Adult Living Facility. All performances will be open to the public.

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7 Facundo Rivero Performing Arts, Inc.
1400 NW 19 Street
Miami, Florida 33125
Afrocuban Nights Series
07/16/2017 - 08/20/2017

Recommended Award: \$4,273

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 12*

Funds are requested to support Afrocuban Nights, a collection of traditional dances and musical events highlighting the color, energy and musical instruments of the Afro-Cuban community. Performances will take place at the Babalu Kafe in Miami. These events are open to the public.

8 For Arts Sake, Inc. a/f/a for EXTRA VIRGIN PRESS
3301 NE 5 Avenue
Miami, Florida 33137
Home/s
07/01/2017 - 09/30/2017

Recommended Award: \$3,917

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 12 & 13*

Funds are requested to support Home/s, an interdisciplinary, collaborative print project with South Florida writers and artists that will generate exhibits, readings and posters of the prints on the theme of home. The exhibit will be presented at JFK Library, South Dade Regional Library, Miami Beach Regional Library, Nautilus Middle School, Miami Beach Senior High, Frank C. Martin International K-8 Center, Robert Morgan Educational Center, Henry H. Filer Middle, Hialeah High School and Laundromat Space. The exhibits at the libraries are open to the public.

9 Fresh Start of Miami-Dade, Inc.
18441 NW 2 Avenue
Miami Gardens, Florida 33169
Recovery in the Arts
07/12/2017 - 08/11/2017

Recommended Award: \$3,205

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 1 & 3*

Funds are requested to support the Recovery in the Arts Project, a series of free art workshops for adults with severe and persistent mental illness designed to help them learn, create and display their artwork at the Recovery Month Exhibit. The project will be held at Fresh Start of Miami Dade, Inc. in Miami Gardens and the Rohde Building in downtown Miami. This event is free of charge and open to the public.

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10 Gang Alternative, Inc.

6815 Biscayne Boulevard
Miami, Florida 33138

Safe and Sound - Youth Visual and Media Art Showcase and Hip Hop Cypher
07/07/2017 - 07/07/2017

Recommended Award: \$5,342

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 3*

Funds are requested to support the Safe and Sound Artist Showcase and Hip Hop Cypher at the Little Haiti Cultural Center and Caribbean Market Place. Youth and young adults will be engaged in an arts showcase, as well as a poetry and hip hop competition touching upon epidemic underage drinking and use of marijuana. This event will be open to the public.

11 IFÈ-ILÈ, Inc.

1336 NW 25 Street
Miami, Florida 33142

19th Annual IFE-ILE Afro-Cuban Dance Festival
08/17/2017 - 08/19/2017

Recommended Award: \$5,342

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 5*

Funds are requested to support the expansion of IFE-ILE's 19th Annual Afro-Cuban Dance Festival. The festival includes dance workshops, a weeklong summer camp for children, an academic seminar in collaboration with History Miami Museum, and a closing performance at the Koubek Center featuring IFE-ILE and guest professional dancers from Cuba's Conjunto Folklórico Nacional and Banrrara dance companies. This event is open to the public.

12 Instituto de Cultura Peruana, Inc.

14840 Naranja Lakes Boulevard
Homestead, Florida 33032

XXVI Spanish Literary Contest
07/01/2017 - 09/30/2017

Recommended Award: \$4,815

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 5, 6 & 10*

Funds are requested to support the XXVI Spanish Literary Contest in poetry and short story, open to everyone who enjoys literature in Miami-Dade County. The presentation will feature local poets, as well as visual and performing artists. The literary contest will be judged by a distinguished jury of award winning poets and a book will be printed with awarded works. This event will be held at the New Professions Technical Institute in Little Havana, the West Dade Regional Library and the Peruvian Consulate. Admission is free and open to the public.

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13 Key Biscayne Community Foundation, Inc.
88 W McIntyre Drive
Key Biscayne, Florida 33149
The 58th Annual Key Biscayne 4th of July Parade
07/04/2017 - 07/04/2017

Recommended Award: \$5,342

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 7*

Funds are requested to support the 58th Annual Key Biscayne 4th of July Parade, a uniquely American tradition. Original floats, high school marching bands, Caribbean musicians and dancers, trail riders, Scottish bagpipers, youth clubs, and more will perform under a new theme for 2017. The parade is a family friendly event held at 100 Crandon Boulevard, Key Biscayne. Admission is free and open to the public.

14 Miami Light Project, Inc a/f/a for Flipside Kings
7256 SW 16 Terrace
Miami, Florida 33155
Flipside Arts & Music Festival (FAMFEST)
07/01/2017 - 09/30/2017

Recommended Award: \$5,342

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 3*

Funds are requested to support Filpside Kings' FAMFEST, an urban arts festival at Miami Light Project. This festival is comprised of an international breakdance competition, discussion panel and multidisciplinary artistic performances and exhibitions. The purpose of this project is to support and enhance the urban arts culture in Miami. This event is open to the public.

15 MIAMI YOUNG ADULT CHRISTIAN THEATRE, INC.
20468 South Dixie Highway
Cutler Bay, Florida 33189
THE AWAKENING
07/03/2017 - 07/08/2017

Recommended Award: \$4,630

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 8 & 9*

Funds are requested to support bringing dance awareness to children with limited resouces to attend quality dance classes or summer workshops. It will also allow them the opportunity to share in the joy of being a part of a professional dance production experience at MYACT Dance Studio and Kingdom Builders Ministry. This event is open to the public.

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16 Miami Youth for Chamber Music, Inc.

Recommended Award: \$5,342

12724 SW 204 Street
Miami, Florida 33177
2nd Annual MyCM Chamber Music Festival 2017
08/13/2017 - 08/20/2017

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 5, 6, & 8*

Funds are requested to support the 2nd Annual MyCM Summer Chamber Music Festival 2017. This festival will present three generations of impassioned classical musicians for most of whom Miami is home. The Courtyard Marriott, Coral Gables will be the host venue for the festival and three concerts will take place in historic cultural venues in Miami-Dade County: the Deering Estate, the Coral Gables Museum, and the First Presbyterian Church of Miami on Brickell, including a free family concert. This event is open to the public.

17 Moksha Arts Collective, Inc.

Recommended Award: \$5,342

599 NW 71 Street
Miami, Florida 33150
Moksha Open Gallery
07/15/2017 - 09/30/2017

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 3*

Funds are requested to support a monthly series of gallery openings showcasing the work of local artists with music performances following at a neighboring establishment, Naomi's Garden. These monthly events will enable Moksha Arts Collective to gain participation from local residents and provide those individuals with exposure to the arts. These events are open to the public.

18 MUCE EDUCATES

Recommended Award: \$3,917

9925 NW 25 Avenue
Miami, Florida 33147
MUCE SUMMER SERIES
07/08/2017 – 09/30/2017

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 3*

Funds are requested to support the MUCE SUMMER SERIES, a free monthly series that runs July and August. MUCE SUMMER SERIES turns empty lots into free arts festivals for the residents in the heritage neighborhoods of Liberty City, Little Haiti, Opa-Locka, Overtown, and Little Havana. MUCE SUMMER SERIES provides outdoor art exhibitions, live performances, vendors, interactive youth stations, culinary art, and family fun. This event is open to the public.

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19 SBC Community Development Corporation of Richmond Heights, Inc. **Recommended Award: \$5,342**
11111 Pinkston Drive
Miami, Florida 33176
SBC CDC Youth Zone STREAMS Summer Program
07/03/2017 - 08/11/2017

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 9*

Funds are requested to support the arts component of SBC Community Development Corporation of Richmond Heights STREAMS Program. This component will offer free arts classes to 200 youth resulting in a culminating production of Sarafina at Second Baptist Church. This is a collaborative effort of SBC CDC, MDC Kendall and two other community summer programs. This event is open to the public.

20 Seminole Cultural Arts Theatre, Inc. d/b/a **Recommended Award: \$5,342**
Friends of the Historic Seminole Theatre
25 Mowry Avenue
Homestead, Florida 33030
Homestead Summer Music Theatre: Hairspray
08/17/2017 - 08/26/2017

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 9*

Funds are requested to support a community musical theater production in downtown Homestead at the Historic Seminole Theatre. This year's musical is 'Hairspray', a musical that celebrates diversity of race, gender, body types and more. The project will utilize all local actors, artistic staff and production staff. This event is open to the public.

21 SOUTH FLORIDA CHAMBER ENSEMBLE **Recommended Award: \$5,342**
6011 NW 68 Street
Parkland, Florida 33067
Summer Stories
07/01/2017 - 09/30/2017

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 4 & 10*

Funds are requested to support a series of free summer concerts for children and families taking place at Aventura, Sunny Isles Beach, Concord and West Dade Regional Libraries. Each concert is paired with an outreach program for students where they make costumes from the stories that include Don Quixote from Spain, Issun Boshi from Japan and Peter and the Wolf from Russia. All grant funds are used for activities that occur in Miami-Dade County.

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22 The Copper Bridge Foundation, Inc.

373 NE 125 Street
North Miami, Florida 33161
Copper Fest
09/07/2017 - 09/12/2017

Recommended Award: \$5,342

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 2 & 4*

Funds are requested to support Copper Fest 2017, a community-driven multicultural event that promotes human interaction and understanding using the arts as a vehicle. The festival includes free workshops, art exhibits, dance performances and an interactive concert to bring the community together in appreciation of their differences and similarities. It will be held at Griffin Park and Copperbridge Garden in North Miami. This event is open to the public.

23 The Opera Atelier, Inc.

2364 SW 8 Street
Miami, Florida 33135
A Night in Paris with Chopin and Malibran: The Age of Bel Canto
08/01/2017 - 09/17/2017

Recommended Award: \$5,342

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 3, 5 & 7*

Funds are requested to support a recreation of a Parisian art salon circa 1840, a theatrical event with musical performances with an original script. The music featured will be music of the belcanto era, including rarely performed music of the Garcia family. Characters will be Chopin, Malibran, Viardot and leading intellectuals of the time. A lecture will complement the project, totaling six events which will be open to the public. Performances will take place at Steinway Piano Gallery, Barry University and The Opera Atelier.

24 Town of Cutler Bay

10720 Caribbean Boulevard, Suite 105
Cutler Bay, Florida 33189
50th Annual Whispering Pines 4th of July Celebration
07/04/2017 - 07/04/2017

Recommended Award: \$3,561

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 8*

Funds are requested to support the 50th Annual Whispering Pines 4th of July Celebration in the Town of Cutler Bay. This milestone celebration features a patriotic parade followed by a community festival with musical entertainment. For the 50th Celebration, the Town will introduce an oral history component and demonstrations of American folk art. This free event will take place at Whispering Pines Park.

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25 Urgent, Inc.

1000 NW 1 Avenue

Miami, Florida 33136

2nd Annual Miami 4 Social Change Youth Film Festival

07/12/2017 - 07/28/2017

Recommended Award: \$5,342

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 2*

Funds are requested to support the 2nd Annual Miami 4 Social Change Youth Film Festival. The purpose of the festival is to create a local platform to elevate youth voices through film and inspire young people to create change using multi-media tools. The festival will accept short video submissions featuring youth as key agents for social change or address issues youth care about. The ticketed event will be held at Miami Dade College, North Campus and be open to the public.

26 Village of Palmetto Bay

9705 East Hibiscus Street

Palmetto Bay, Florida 33157

Palmetto Bay's 4th Annual Independence Day Celebration

07/04/2017 - 07/04/2017

Recommended Award: \$5,342

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 8*

Funds are requested to support Palmetto Bay's 4th Annual Independence Day Celebration. The festivities will include choir and live band performances and will take place at Palmetto Bay Municipal Center and Palmetto Bay Park. This event is open to the public.

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