

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE September 20, 2019

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT **October 8, 2019 Upcoming Agenda Item - Cultural Organizations Program (COP)
Artist Service Contracts**

The City Council will consider a resolution to authorize FY19-20 grants to cultural organizations, as recommended by the Arts & Culture Advisory Commission, on the upcoming October 8, 2019, agenda. This memorandum summarizes the grant program's process and provides a list of grant recipients. OCA will contact your office to request a meeting and answer any questions or concerns that you may have about this upcoming action prior to the meeting.

The posted item to be considered by the City Council will read as follows:

Authorize contracts with cultural organizations for the provision of artistic services to the City through the Cultural Organizations Program for the period October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020 (list attached) - Not to exceed \$4,811,910.00 - Financing: General Fund

The Cultural Organizations Program (COP) provides funding for cultural services with established Dallas-based non-profit cultural organizations to support an array of programs that include concerts, plays, exhibitions, performances, workshops, and other cultural services over a twelve-month period. OAC staff reviewed proposals from cultural organizations, submitted the proposals to a citizen peer review panel which considered in-person presentations and then scored each proposal. Proposals and scores were then analyzed by the Allocations Committee of the Arts and Culture Advisory Commission. The Allocations Committee made funding recommendations for each organization, which were submitted to, and unanimously adopted by the full Arts and Culture Advisory Commission in August.

The COP guidelines were revised for FY 2019-20 to incorporate relevant strategic objectives from the Dallas Cultural Plan 2018, including goals to better serve historically underserved residents and areas of the City. These updated guidelines for FY 2019-20 COP support were previously approved by the City Council on February 27, 2019. Prior to City Council approval, the COP guidelines were reviewed and recommended by the Allocations Committee of the Arts & Cultural Advisory Commission, the full Arts and Culture Advisory Commission, and by the City Council's Quality of Life, Arts and Culture Committee.

The following organizations have been recommended for funding by the Arts and Culture Advisory Commission:

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Organization	FY 2018-19	FY 2019-20 Proposed
Anita N. Martinez Ballet Folklorico, Inc.	\$73,233	\$70,533
Big Thought	\$675,440	\$680,440
Cara Mia Theatre Co.	\$57,258	\$57,258
Children's Chorus of Greater Dallas	\$55,415	\$55,415
Creative Arts Center of Dallas	\$43,363	\$43,363
Cry Havoc Theater Company	0	\$22,500
Dallas Black Dance Theatre, Incorporated	\$194,711	\$194,711
Dallas Chamber Symphony	\$48,000	\$48,000
Dallas Children's Theater	\$165,222	\$165,222
Dallas County Heritage Society	\$102,545	\$102,545
Dallas Holocaust Museum/Center for Education and Tolerance	\$60,000	\$60,000
Dallas Museum of Art	\$1,069,896	\$1,069,896
Dallas Theater Center	\$75,007	\$75,007
Dallas Wind Symphony	\$47,811	\$47,811
Fine Arts Chamber Players	\$49,604	\$49,604
Greater Dallas Youth Orchestra	\$54,367	\$54,367
Junior Players Guild	\$65,257	\$65,257
Kitchen Dog Theater Company	\$44,564	\$44,564
Perot Museum of Nature and Science	\$740,489	\$740,489
Premier Lone Star Wind Orchestra	\$22,500	\$22,500
Sammons Center for the Arts	\$89,370	\$94,370
Teatro Hispano de Dallas	\$67,831	\$72,831
TeCo Theatrical Productions, Inc.	\$110,782	\$115,782
Texas International Theatrical Arts Society	\$71,314	\$71,314
Texas Winds Musical Outreach, Inc.	\$54,646	\$54,646
The Black Academy of Arts and Letters, Inc.	\$199,956	\$199,956
The Bruce Wood Dance Co., Inc.	0	\$27,000
The Dallas Opera	\$152,500	\$152,500
The Shakespeare Festival of Dallas	\$102,156	\$102,156
The Writer's Garret	\$40,292	\$40,292
Theatre Three, Inc.	\$87,420	\$87,420
Turtle Creek Chorale, Inc.	0	\$27,000
Undermain Theatre	\$44,594	\$44,594
USA Film Festival	\$52,567	\$52,567
TOTAL	\$4,718,110	\$4,811,910

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Please feel free to reach out to myself or Jennifer Scripps, Director of Arts and Cultural Affairs if you have any questions at jennifer.scripps@dallascityhall.com or 214-671-2828.



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