

**Interim Executive Director's Report  
Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees  
11 December 2019**

Welcome to our final CAC Board meeting of 2019.

Congratulations on a productive and positive year! I thank each Board and staff member for your ongoing support and commitment to our mission.

We did all this by working together – alongside the nearly 300 groups we fund and the thousands of residents we reach every month. To see a more complete picture of CAC's 2019 accomplishments, please review the Staff Report in this packet.

For today's meeting, you will be asked to take several actions, including the approval of:

- three Support for Artists grants;
- Neighborhood Connections grant and contract;
- ioby grant;
- downtown orchestra concert grant;
- our 2020 budget; and
- several administrative matters, including contracts for 2020 that will help us achieve our programmatic and communications goals.

While not an action item at this meeting, know that our strategic alliance work with Arts Cleveland and the Arts & Culture Action Committee continues. By the time we meet on the 11<sup>th</sup>, the strategic alliance working group will have met again to continue exploring ways that our three organizations can work together to serve our arts community and all residents. I look forward to having every Board member contribute to this work in 2020.

Finally, while this meeting wraps up key work for 2019, we're already deep into planning for next year. Our team formalized its [2020 team objectives](#) and will share progress with and seek feedback from each of you throughout next year.

As always, I thank you in advance for spending time in the materials and preparing for a positive meeting.