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Second Arts and Culture Grant Program Launched; Workshops to be Held

Cuyahoga Arts and Culture (CAC) Board of Trustees announced its next grant program Tuesday, Project Support (PS). PS grants are annual matching grants awarded through a competitive process intended to support high quality arts or cultural projects or programs presented to the public in Cuyahoga County.

Catherine Boyle, Executive Director of CAC said, “We are excited about this groundbreaking grant program and encourage organizations from throughout Cuyahoga County to review the grant guidelines. We hope organizations that did not participate in our initial grant program will consider applying.”

Boyle added, “The goals of the PS grant program are to;

- Provide greater opportunities for access to, and participation in, arts and culture for all residents and visitors to Cuyahoga County;
- Support the development of new and innovative arts or cultural products and experiences;
- Expand educational experiences for all citizens of Cuyahoga County; and
- Foster significant community collaborations and cross-cultural exchange.”

Funding for CAC’s grant programs is the result of Issue 18, a tax on cigarettes approved by voters in November 2006 to provide a stable, dedicated public funding stream for arts and cultural programs in Cuyahoga County. As a result, CAC is now one of the largest local public sector funders of arts and culture in the country.

CAC, in collaboration with Cuyahoga County Public Library, will be holding a series of free grant workshops across the county to assist organizations in determining their eligibility, navigate the application process and develop a successful funding application. The workshops will be held as follows:

Friday, October 26, 2007

Cuyahoga Public Library, Mayfield Branch, Mayfield
3:00- 4:30 p.m.

Friday, November 2

Cuyahoga Public Library, Southeast Branch, Bedford
3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

Friday, November 9

Cuyahoga Public Library, Berea Branch, Berea
3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

Friday, November 16

Trinity Commons, Cleveland
3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

More information about the PS grants and the PS guidelines are available on the CAC website at cacgrants.org

The Cuyahoga County Commissioners established Cuyahoga Arts and Culture (CAC), a Regional Arts and Culture District and a political subdivision of the State of Ohio, in June 2005. In November, 2006, voters in Cuyahoga County approved a tax on cigarettes to fund arts and culture in Cuyahoga County through CAC.

CAC is one of the largest local public sector funders of arts and culture in the country. It is the second Regional Arts and Culture District in the State of Ohio and the first with a dedicated revenue stream.

A primary purpose of CAC, established by the board of trustees through adoption of its bylaws in April 2007, is to make matching grants to nonprofit organizations located in Cuyahoga County that have a primary mission of arts or culture or that have a proven history of arts or cultural programming.

The mission of CAC is to promote and support arts and culture in Cuyahoga County by making grants, using public funds, to secure the excellence of our established arts and cultural sector and promote access to, and participation in, quality arts or cultural experiences for all residents.

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