DANCEVERT

Your Project Title: Full STEAM Ahead

Your Project Summary: This project will focus DANCEVERT’s expertise in educational programming and professional development for teachers to the schools in the company’s home community of Euclid, OH (Cuyahoga County) as well as the region and beyond. This project will emphasize the transformative power of dance in increasing student achievement in math, science and dance as well as enriching the communities cultural life through public events.

Final Score: Somewhat. Overall, the panel felt that the applicant provided some evidence throughout the application that the funding criteria were met.

CAC Grant Amount: $4,000

To ensure an impartial and transparent application review process, CAC convened an online panel of arts and cultural professionals from outside the region who evaluated and scored eligible applications.

Panelists scored each application based on the Funding Criteria—Public Benefit, Artistic and Cultural Vibrancy and Organizational Capacity—with an emphasis on Public Benefit. For more details regarding the panel process and full panelist bios, please review the Panel Guide.

Shalina Ali (Milwaukee, WI)  Autumn Saxton-Ross (Washington, DC)  Alena Leonatti (Santa Barbara, CA)

Below you will find the panel’s scores and any feedback in response to the question: With an emphasis on public benefit, does the applicant demonstrate evidence that it meets CAC’s three funding criteria?

Note: Panelist scores and comments are presented in no particular order.
**Panelist 1**

**Score:** Yes

Organization lives in community they serve, and using dance to connect with STEM benefits all learning styles. The "Understanding Arts-Integration" section, provided needed understanding on model. Support video was highly relevant.

**Panelist 2**

**Score:** Somewhat

This project meets some of the criteria. DANCEVERT's defined community is hard to follow and needs some refining- what are the demographics of schools/organizations in Euclid? Public benefit is manifested in free, accessible, publicly inviting festivals and outreach programs; the fee-based concert cost ($15) felt reasonable. DANCEVERT responds to the needs of its school-based communities and lets the community drive its work in blending STEAM initiatives with dance. Additionally, this project will build meaningful relationships. They achieve artistic and cultural vibrancy by incorporating fresh programming and inspiring creative ways of approaching teaching/learning. Organizational capacity is present, but needs a more precise goal.

**Panelist 3**

**Score:** Yes

Questions? Cuyahoga Arts & Culture is here to assist. Please contact:

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