Community Cup Classic Foundation

Your Project Title: Soul In The Game: Black Baseball Stories

Your Project Summary: A series of multi generational programs and activities showcasing the challenging, historic and triumphant legacy of baseball’s Negro Leagues and the African American experience in the sport. The programs will be designed to highlight how these experiences reflect American society and culture in general, to bring awareness to how the past is always with us to teach us, and to provide inspiration and encouragement to those facing similar challenges today.

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

CAC Grant Amount: $5,000

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.

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

Great program. Really glad to see how the organization is serving the entire family/neighborhood. The link in support materials to the tv news interview was helpful in providing the over all picture and flavor of the organization.

Panelist 2

Score: Yes

This application meets the funding criteria. There is a clear demonstration of public benefit, with a track record of accomplishing the program with strong attendance goals. The focus on the history of black people in baseball through storytelling is clear, and demonstrates a focus on POC and shows cultural vibrancy. Additionally, there is an effort to include people of all age groups, including school age people and seniors. Programs will be free, making them accessible. The budget of $10,000 seems arbitrary as an attempt to request the highest amount, so this is certainly the weakest area of the application.<br/>

Panelist 3

Score: Yes

I think it’s important to also point out that the adults are learning from the youth here, too. Nice job otherwise.

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

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