



Department Source: Cultural Affairs

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: November 2, 2020

Re: Contracts with Local Arts Agencies for FY21

Executive Summary

This legislation authorizes 26 contracts with local arts and culture organizations for a total of \$105,700 annual funding (\$100,000 from OCA's approved budget and \$5,700 from the Columbia Arts Fund) and establishes a budget threshold of \$3,000 for small request funding (up to \$500 per agreement) awarded throughout the year for arts programming or services.

Discussion

The 26 contracts are for the annual allocation for various arts and cultural activities scheduled October 2020 through December 2021. In total, nearly 300,000 citizens and visitors are estimated to benefit from the proposed concerts, exhibitions, classes, performances, workshops, and special events.

This year, for the fifth time, annual funding is being augmented by a distribution of \$5,700 from the Columbia Arts Fund. Since 2013, the Columbia Arts Fund has grown from \$20,000 to Over \$322,000 at present.

The awards resulted from the Commission on Cultural Affairs annual review process of applications received from local arts organizations. Commissioners reviewed the project proposals during two meetings and offered time for public comment at the July meeting. The details of the applicants along with the funding recommendations were presented to the Council in August. The following is a list of the award amounts:

Boone County Historical Society- \$5,281.00

Jabberwocky Studios - \$5,281.00

The Columbia Book Festival, Inc. - \$5,278.00

Ragtag Film Society - \$4,826.00

Theater Reaching Young People & Schools - \$4,774.00

Missouri Contemporary Ballet - \$4,758.00

Choral Arts Alliance of Missouri - \$4,757.00

"We Always Swing" Jazz Series - \$4,726.00

Missouri Symphony Society - \$4,726.00

Talking Horse Productions - \$4,716.00

School of Service (dba Access Arts) - \$4,715.00

The Curators of the University of Missouri-University Concert Series - \$4,713.00

Columbia Entertainment Company - \$4,706.00

Odyssey Chamber Music Series - \$4,682.00

Columbia Art League - \$4,659.00



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- Columbia Civic Orchestra - \$4,644.00
- GreenHouse Theatre Project - \$4,521.00
- PACE - Performing Arts in Children's Education - \$4,479.00
- Maplewood Barn Association - \$4,464.00
- Orr Street Studios Artist Guild - \$2,909.00
- Wontanara, Inc. - \$2,573.00
- Mid-Missouri Traditional Dancers - \$2,555.00
- Columbia Community Band - \$2,450.00
- Jazz Forward Initiative, Inc. - \$2,034.00
- North Village Arts District - \$1,598.00
- Columbia Handbell Ensemble, Inc. - \$875.00

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: These funds are included in OCA's FY21 budget or being received from the Community Foundation of Central Missouri – Columbia Arts Fund.
 Long-Term Impact: None.

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impacts

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Economy, Secondary Impact: Social Equity, Tertiary Impact: Public Safety

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Economic Development, Secondary Impact: Livable and Sustainable Communities, Tertiary Impact: Inter-Governmental Cooperation

Legislative History

Date	Action
N/A	N/A

Suggested Council Action

Staff recommends approval of the resolution.