



Department Source: Cultural Affairs
To: City Council
From: City Manager & Staff
Council Meeting Date: November 1, 2021
Re: Contracts with Local Arts Agencies for FY22

Executive Summary

This legislation authorizes 24 contracts with local arts and culture organizations for a total of \$108,100 annual funding (\$100,000 from OCA's approved budget and \$8,100 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 services.

Discussion

The 24 contracts are for the annual allocation for various arts and cultural activities scheduled October 2021 through December 2022. In total, more than 195,000 citizens and visitors are estimated to benefit from the proposed concerts, exhibitions, classes, performances, workshops, and special events.

This year, for the sixth time, annual funding is being augmented by a distribution of \$8,100 from the Columbia Arts Fund. Since 2013, the Columbia Arts Fund has grown from \$20,000 to over \$375,000 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:

School of Service (dba Access Arts) - \$5,553.00
The Missouri Symphony - \$5,522.00
"We Always Swing" Jazz Series - \$5,520.00
Odyssey Chamber Music Series - \$5,080.00
Theater Reaching Young People & Schools - \$5,065.00
Ragtag Film Society - \$5,052.00
Missouri Contemporary Ballet - \$5,005.00
Choral Arts Alliance of Missouri - \$4,997.00
Boone County Historical Society - \$4,988.00
Jabberwocky Studios - \$4,984.00
The Columbia Book Festival, Inc. - \$4,966.00
Talking Horse Productions - \$4,960.00
Columbia Entertainment Company - \$4,946.00
University Concert Series - \$4,930.00
Maplewood Barn Association - \$4,869.00



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- Columbia Civic Orchestra - \$4,852.00
- New Wave Corporation/KOPN - \$4,822.00
- GreenHouse Theatre Project - \$4,771.00
- Columbia Art League - \$4,731.00
- Orr Street Studios Artist Guild - \$4,533.00
- Columbia Community Band - \$3,154.00
- Mid-Missouri Traditional Dancers - \$2,673.00
- Jazz Forward Initiative, Inc. - \$1,234.00
- Columbia Handbell Ensemble, Inc. - \$893.00

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: These funds are included in OCA's FY22 budget or being received from the Community Foundation of Central Missouri – Columbia Arts Fund.
 Long-Term Impact: None.

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Resilient Economy, Secondary Impact: Inclusive Community, Tertiary Impact: Organizational Excellence

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

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

Legislative History

Date	Action
N/A	N/A

Suggested Council Action

Staff recommends approval of the resolution.