



Department Source: Cultural Affairs
To: City Council
From: City Manager & Staff
Council Meeting Date: October 7, 2019
Re: Contracts with Local Arts Agencies for FY20

Executive Summary

This legislation authorizes 28 contracts with local arts and culture organizations for a total of \$104,890 in annual funding (\$100,000 from OCA's approved budget and \$4,890 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 28 contracts are for the annual allocation for various arts and cultural activities scheduled October 2019 through December 2020. 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 fourth time, annual funding is being augmented by a distribution of \$4,890 from the Columbia Arts Fund. Since 2013, the Columbia Arts Fund has grown from \$20,000 to over \$266,000 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:

Ragtag Film Society - \$5,085.00
Theater Reaching Young People & Schools - \$5,010.00
Odyssey Chamber Music Series - \$4,999.00
Jabberwocky Studios - \$4,494.00
Missouri Contemporary Ballet - \$4,494.00
School of Service (dba Access Arts) - \$4,484.00
Columbia Art League - \$4,446.00
The Columbia Book Festival, Inc. - \$4,430.00
The Missouri Review - \$4,427.00
"We Always Swing" Jazz Series - \$4,427.00
Missouri Symphony Society - \$4,396.00
Talking Horse Productions - \$4,385.00
Columbia Entertainment Company - \$4,377.00
Choral Arts Alliance of Missouri - \$4,373.00
Boone County Historical Society - \$4,311.00



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- University Concert Series - \$4,309.00
- Columbia Civic Orchestra - \$4,306.00
- Resident Arts - \$4,287.00
- Maplewood Barn Association - \$4,193.00
- GreenHouse Theatre Project - \$4,127.00
- PACE - Performing Arts in Children's Education - \$3,999.00
- Orr Street Studios Artist Guild - \$2,716.00
- Columbia Community Band - \$1,932.00
- North Village Arts District - \$1,894.00
- Wontanara, Inc. - \$1,873.00
- Mid-Missouri Traditional Dancers - \$1,486.00
- Jazz Forward Initiative, Inc. - \$1,000.00
- Columbia Handbell Ensemble - \$630.00

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: These funds are included in OCA's FY20 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.