

2018 SPECIAL PROJECTS GRANT ALLOCATIONS

Program Goals

Special Projects fosters creativity and innovation in the arts and access to art, culture and heritage by new and under-served people and communities. Project funding encourages innovative projects by artists and communities that fill in cultural gaps and inspire new forms of creative participation, particularly for under-served groups.

Process and criteria for evaluation

Panelists separately reviewed and scored the applications on how well they demonstrated the stated criteria on a scale of 1-10. The scale consists of six qualities in ascending order from no achievement to most achievement: not competitive (1); fair (2-3); good (4-5); great (6-7); excellent (8-9); exceptional (10). Panelists provided scores for the following criteria:

1. Artistic Innovation

- Quality and promise of the proposed arts, cultural, and heritage project to meet the cultural needs of an audience and/or constituent group.
- Innovative approach to foster creative and civic participation by Bellevue's diverse residents and visitors, particularly underserved people and communities.
- Fills a gap in art, cultural, or heritage offerings and opportunities not regularly available to Bellevue residents and visitors.

2. Public Access and Benefit for Bellevue Residents and Visitors

- Quality and extent of public benefits offered to Bellevue residents and visitors.
- One or more compelling, feasible public events in Bellevue is clearly described.
- Marketing strategies and reach are appropriate to target audience(s) and attendance.

3. Project Feasibility

- Demonstrated experience of project leaders to accomplish the scope and scale of the project.
- Evidence of thoughtful planning including clearly articulated goals and process for evaluation.
- Realistic budget and timeline.

Recommended 2018 Project Renewal Grant Allocations

ARTIST or ORGANIZATION	ARTISTIC SERVICES & PUBLIC BENEFIT	REQUEST Project Budget	2017 ALLOCATIONS
artEAST*	For a series of free, public, interactive art experiences that explore the richness of the eastside community to support the needs of the underserved.	\$8,000 \$10,990 73% of OpB	\$1,000
Ballard Civic Orchestra	For two concerts, open to the public and free of charge, entitled "Espectacular" on March 18, 2018 , and "Stabat Mater" on May 12, 2018 , in Bellevue.	\$3,000 \$7,050 22.3% of PB	\$3,000
North American Maple Culture Center	For a two hours stage show about the life story of recent Chinese immigrants in the US. This play "Where Am I" tells the story of three intellectual women immigrating from China. May 2018 .	\$3,000 \$11,500 26% of PB	\$2,500
Seattle Chinese Chorus	For the 6th annual concert of SCC to be held on in November 2018 to entertain and introduce Chinese culture to the public.	\$1,200 \$10,435 11.5% of PB	\$1,200
Syncopation Dance Project	For a dance concert bringing together area dancers and showcasing a wide range of dance styles, featuring kids from the Bellevue Boys and Girls Club. April 2018 .	\$2,200 \$5,521 40% of PB	\$2,200

* Application submitted in the EAP program but referred to Special Projects

Recommended 2018 New Special Projects Grant Allocations

ARTIST OR ORGANIZATION	ARTISTIC SERVICES & PUBLIC BENEFIT	REQUEST Project Budget	2017 ALLOCATION
Eastside Jazz Club	For two separate concerts on Friday and Saturday nights in September 2018 where we will feature a world class orchestral ensemble performing jazz, Latin, and world music.	\$1,230 \$10,780 11.4% of PB	\$1,200
Elise Koncsek	For an immersive public art installation about building community solidarity for struggling refugees and immigrants, free and accessible to everyone during the summer months of 2018.	\$2,500 \$3,500 71.4% of PB	\$1,500
The Huayin Performing Arts Group	For one or more grand performances and a series of free cultural arts forums/classes open to public with local and international artists in Bellevue.	\$4,500 \$7,800 58% of PB	\$2,500
Kai Chen	Create, develop, and present cello concert on September 23, 2018 , in collaborate with Chinese instruments Guqin, Xiao, GuZhen, and Chinese percussion to explore new form of cello music. Theatre at Meydenbauer Center.	\$3,000 \$25,985 11.5% of PB	\$2,000
Northwest Sound Men's Chorus	For two 6-week sessions of free singing lessons and performance opportunities to men in the community, building musical skills and enjoyment of acappella music in Spring and Fall 2018.	\$2,500 \$2,500 100% of PB	\$1,500
Sammamish Symphony Orchestra	The Sammamish Symphony Orchestra seeks to continue our tradition of 4 years of providing 5 great symphonic orchestral performances and educational sessions at Meydenbauer Theatre for the citizens of Bellevue. February 24, April 27 and June 8, 2017.	\$5,000 \$27,350 18.3% of PB	\$2,500
The Seattle Young Philharmonic	For two seasonal youth orchestra concerts on New Year and Spring Festival at Bellevue Presbyterian Church to show off young student's orchestra's work from Seattle Young Philharmonic Orchestra Group.	\$3,000 \$22,535 13.3% of PB	\$1,500
Ya-Li Lee	Work with Chinese Adult choir group in Bellevue to advance their vocal singing, music education, and present a concert featuring diverse Chinese/Taiwanese/American choir songs.	\$3,000 \$26,355 11.4% of PB	\$1,500
		\$34,130	\$21,900