Commission for Arts and Culture

City of San Diego Commission for Arts and Culture Fiscal Year 2018 Organizational Support Program (OSP) Organization Descriptions

The Organizational Support Program provides general operating support for arts and culture nonprofits with an emphasis on the delivery of programs and services that impact San Diego's quality of life and tourism.

#of Contracts for Services Awarded: 88 | Total Investment: \$10,197,147

	Fisc	al Year 2018 Organizational Support Program
Organization	Award Amount	Mission Statement
Art of Elan	\$20,393	The mission of Art of Elan is to enrich the cultural life of San Diego by presenting exciting and exceptional chamber music concerts to the general public, simultaneously educating and exposing diverse audiences to classical music through innovative programming, the commissioning of new works, unique performance venues and personal connections with concertgoers.
ArtReach	\$10,908	ArtReach takes practicing artists into elementary schools throughout San Diego County to provide standards-based, sequential visual arts education, with an emphasis on providing free/very low-cost instruction in schools that have no resources for art. ArtReach also collaborates with like-minded organizations to take art into the community. ArtReach believes that all youngsters, regardless of family socioeconomic status or zip code, benefit from thinking big and creating original art.
ARTS DISTRICT Liberty Station	\$182,461	To enrich the lives of San Diegans by renovating 26 historic buildings at the former Naval Training Center to create, facilitate and operate a broad-based complex focused on experiencing the arts, culture and creativity that are the hallmark of the San Diego region.
Arts for Learning San Diego (A4LSD)	\$113,566	Arts for Learning San Diego envisions a world where all students, families, and communities imagine, create, and thrive through the arts. We believe that the arts and artists are essential community resources that deserve advocacy and long-term investment. We train and commission artists of all disciplines to engage directly with diverse communities through vibrant partnerships at the individual, family, school, and community level.

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Athenaeum Music & Arts Library	\$122,171	The mission of the Athenaeum is to provide La Jolla and San Diego communities with library resources in music and the arts, and an ongoing schedule of cultural programs, classes, concerts, and exhibitions; to preserve its collections and historic buildings, maintaining an environment that balances conservation and excellent programming; to engage regional, national, and international artists, scholars, and audiences; and to provide learning with enjoyment in the classical humanistic tradition.
Bach Collegium San Diego	\$46,724	Bach Collegium San Diego engages audiences with accessible, historically informed performances and educational programs featuring repertoire from the Renaissance, Baroque, and early Classical eras. Our vision aims to establish San Diego as a leading center for Early Music in the United States through education, mentoring, and the cultivation of historically informed musicians, ensuring the ongoing presentation of significant repertoire from the sixteenth to eighteenth century.
Balboa Park Cultural Partnership	\$279,058	Balboa Park Cultural Partnership is ONE PARK * ONE TEAM, advancing Balboa Park cultural organizations through collaboration and advocacy. Our vision is Balboa Park as a thriving cultural ecosystem.
Balboa Park Online Collaborative, Inc.	\$93,983	The mission of Balboa Park Online Collaborative, Inc. (BPOC) is to foster a culture of innovation and collaboration among nonprofit organizations through technology, with a focus on Balboa Park. BPOCâ\(\text{S}\) vision is to be a technology collaborative that connects audiences to art, culture and science.
California Ballet Association, Inc.	\$124,895	California Ballet presents high quality professional ballet performances and educational programs for the public community of California, through support of a resident company of professional dancers.
CAMARADA, Inc	\$13,330	In the quest to create refreshing artistic experiences, Camarada seeks dynamic musical repertoire and fearlessly blends diverse artistic elements to present programs that are approachable, uplifting and stimulating. Specializing in Latin music, Camarada focuses on serving this niche in San Diego. Dedicated to the compositions of living composers, Camarada commissions works specifically for its unique combination of instruments.
Center for World Music	\$22,363	The Center for World Music is a nonprofit organization whose primary purpose is to foster awareness and understanding of the world's performing arts and cultural traditions through programs of performance and teaching. Our vision is a world that celebrates cross-cultural understanding, respect, communication, and healing through the performing arts traditions of cultures East and West.

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Choral Club of San Diego	\$5,000	Choral Club of San Diego operates San Diegoâl oldest continuously-running womenâl chorus, established in 1939 by San Diego Choral Club. CCSD is dedicated to promoting public appreciation of choral and vocal music. The organization focuses on four major goals: providing a showcase for great choral music throughout San Diego; delighting its audiences through private and public performances; providing an outlet for women who love to sing; supporting young talent through its scholarship program.
Choral Consortium of San Diego	\$5,000	Our mission is to promote the choral art in the San Diego region through cooperation, public awareness, and performance.
City Ballet, Inc	\$83,268	The mission of City Ballet is to provide excellence in professional ballet for cultural enhancement through performances, education and outreach programs to diverse communities and audiences.
Classics For Kids	\$37,717	Classics 4 Kids is dedicated to educating children and our diverse communities through music and the arts.
Culture Shock Dance Troupe, Inc.	\$23,907	Culture Shock Dance Troupe is a hip-hop dance organization dedicated to benefiting San Diego through innovative performance, artist development, and community enrichment that reveals the power and beauty of hip-hop to diverse communities.
Cygnet Theatre Company	\$175,287	Believing in the power of theatre to startle the soul, ignite debate and embrace the diversity of the community in which it serves, Cygnet Theatre Company is fearlessly committed to the dissection, examination and celebration of the human story through the medium of live theatre.
Diversionary Theatre Productions, Inc.	\$71,878	The mission of Diversionary Theatre is to provide an inspiring and thought provoking theatrical platform to explore complex and diverse LGBT stories, which influence the larger cultural discussion. Our vision is to foster and amplify the next generation of LGBT voices by providing live entertainment in a dynamic, inclusive and provocative environment that celebrates and preserves our unique culture.
Fern Street Circus	\$23,412	Fern Street Community Arts serves families and transforms neighborhoods through performance and teaching of circus arts. Professional artists collaborate with learners and their families in neighborhood settings. Circus transcends barriers between people of varying cultures and languages, combines physical and theatrical skills, and merges the magnificent and the everyday. Participants co-create every aspect of the circus, working in public locations, creating visible community.

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Fleet Science	\$371,133	The Fleet Science Center connects people of all ages to the possibilities and power of science
Center	Ψ5/1,155	to create a better future.
Flying Leatherneck Historical Foundation	\$39,277	To preserve the history of U.S. Marine Corps aviation, honor the service of its personnel, and inspire in all generations an appreciation for Americaâ® freedoms. We accomplish our mission by supporting the Flying Leatherneck Aviation Museum and by offering educational programs to the general public, schools, veterans, and active duty personnel and their dependents.
Gaslamp Quarter Historical Foundation	\$58,066	It is the mission of the Gaslamp Quarter Historical Foundation to preserve the architecture, culture and history of the Historic Gaslamp Quarter.
Intrepid Shakespeare Company	\$24,184	Intrepid Theatre, an award-winning theatre and education company in San Diego, creates programs that provoke conversation, expand perspectives and challenge thinking within our many communities.
Japanese Friendship Garden	\$133,973	The mission of the Japanese Friendship Garden Society of San Diego is to develop a traditional Japanese garden as a center to educate, engage, and inspire people of diverse backgrounds about Japanese culture and community legacy.
Jean Isaacs San Diego Dance Theater	\$47,492	(1) Create and perform intelligent dances that breathe life into the people of our region and beyond.(2) Provide access to the viewing, training in, and dancing of dances by people representing diversity of all kinds.
La Jolla Historical Society	\$78,937	The La Jolla Historical Society inspires and empowers the community to make La Jollaâ\(\text{\text{B}}\) diverse past a relevant part of contemporary life. The Society looks toward the future while celebrating the past, preserves and shares La Jollaâ\(\text{\text{B}}\) distinctive sense of place, encourages quality in the urban built environment, and serves as a thriving community resource and gathering place where residents and visitors explore history, art, ideas and culture.
La Jolla Music Society	\$523,488	La Jolla Music Societyâ (LJMS) mission is to enhance the vitality and deepen the cultural life of San Diego by presenting and producing a dynamic range of performing arts for our increasingly diverse community. LJMS is dedicated to bringing the worldâ greatest artists to the community of San Diego, and creating opportunities for our diverse audiences to experience performing arts through concerts, educational opportunities, demonstrations and workshops, lectures, and social events.

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La Jolla Playhouse	\$514,537	La Jolla Playhouseâ mission is to advance theatre as an art form and as a vital social, moral and political platform by providing unfettered creative opportunities for the leading artists of today and tomorrow. With our youthful spirit and eclectic, artist-driven approach we will continue to cultivate a local and national following with an insatiable appetite for audacious and diverse work.
La Jolla Symphony and Chorus Association	\$60,660	Rooted in San Diego for over 60 years, the La Jolla Symphony & Chorus enriches our lives through affordable concerts of ground-breaking, traditional and contemporary classical music.
Lambda Archives of San Diego	\$9,819	The mission of Lambda Archives of San Diego (LASD) is to collect, preserve, and teach the history of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer people in the San Diego and Northern Baja California region.
Mainly Mozart Inc	\$142,332	Mainly Mozartâ mission is to enrich the lives of todayâ and tomorrowâ passionate music lovers by connecting them to the genius and innovation of Mozart and the Masters, to world-class musicians and music-making, and to each other.
Malashock Dance & Company	\$49,629	The mission of Malashock Dance is to promote dance as an avenue for personal expression through participation, education, and artistic collaboration. Malashock Dance values artistry, impact, collaboration, community, inclusion, and stewardship in its efforts to advance the art and experience of dance. Malashock Dance's programs empower individuals and communities to explore personal and cultural expression through dance.
Maritime Museum Association of San Diego	\$379,194	The mission of the Maritime Museum of San Diego is that of serving as the communityâ\(\text{S}\) repository for this regionâ\(\text{S}\) seafaring experience through the collection, preservation, and presentation of that heritage and its connection with the Pacific world.
Media Arts Center San Diego	\$112,987	Media Arts Center San Diegoâ (MACSD) mission is to promote access to film and video as tools for community self-expression and social change, and to support professional development of media artists. MACSD's vision endorses the inclusion of underrepresented communities in the media arts, the portrayal of accurate images of these communities by mainstream media, and promotes community access to and use of media technology.

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Mingei International Museum	\$186,910	MINGEI INTERNATIONAL MUSEUM is dedicated to furthering the understanding of 'art of the peopleât(mingei) from all eras and cultures of the world. This art shares a direct simplicity and reflects a joy in making, by hand, useful objects of timeless beauty that are satisfying to the human spirit. The Museum collects, conserves and exhibits these arts of daily life âtby unknown craftsmen of ancient times, from traditional cultures of past and present and by historical and contemporary designers.
Mojalet Dance Collective	\$15,432	Mission: Mojalet Dance Collective touches lives through dance. We inspire all members of society to explore, learn, and share the beauty of expression through the arts. Vision: As an internationally acclaimed, contemporary dance company, we enhance the community and bring innovation, joy, and passion through artistic collaboration, educational and international outreach and professional concert dance performances worldwide.
MOXIE Theatre, Inc.	\$26,815	MOXIE's mission is to create more diverse and honest images of women for our culture using the artof theatre. Through the production of primarily female playwrights and special attention given to playsthat defy female stereotypes, MOXIE expands the idea of what is feminine.
Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego	\$427,047	The mission of the Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego is to serve diverse audiences through the exhibition, interpretation, collection, and preservation of art created since 1950. In 2007, the Museum added a mandate to engage regional, national, and international audiences including the binational constituency of the San Diego/Tijuana region.
Museum of Photographic Arts	\$107,737	The mission of the Museum of Photographic Arts is to inspire, educate and engage the broadest possible audience through the presentation, collection and preservation of photography, film and video.
Opera NEO	\$5,611	Opera NEO is an opera company and training program created for the new generation of opera singers, to prepare and inspire them to grow and perform at the highest level. We focus on contemporary interpretations of classic works and finding innovative ways of communicating with the audience through performances in intimate venues that bring opera close to the viewers.

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Outside the Lens	\$44,306	The mission of Outside the Lens is to empower youth to use digital media to create change within themselves, their community and their world. We engage disconnected youth, encourage them to tell their stories and teach them that participation in their community's future makes a difference. Since 2001, over 15,000 OTL students have learned photography, film, and other digital media arts through hands-on projects exploring identity, family, community, the environment, and the world.
Pacific Arts Movement	\$70,895	Pacific Arts Movement presents Pan Asian media arts to San Diego residents and visitors in order to inspire, entertain, and support a more compassionate society. We fulfill our mission by: Presenting unique, culturally-enriching programs that would otherwise be inaccessible to the public; Engaging the public in meaningful discourse that promotes positive social change; Promoting artistic excellence, innovation, and the independent voice; Strengthening San Diego as an arts destination.
Persian Cultural Center dba Iranian-American Center	\$46,585	The Persian Cultural Centerâ\(\text{B}\) (PCC) mission is to provide an enriching and welcoming environment for all who seek to strengthen the bonds of community, culture and cross-cultural understanding. PCC is nonpolitical, nonreligious and preserves, shares and celebrates Iranâ\(\text{B}\) ethnically diverse and historically rich culture via education, and literary/visual/performing arts. PCCâ\(\text{B}\) goal is to help Iranian American youth attain a sense of identity and facilitate cross-cultural understanding.
Playwrights Project	\$49,129	The mission of Playwrights Project is to advance literacy, creativity, and communication by empowering individuals to voice their stories through playwriting programs and theatre productions. Playwrights Project is a nonprofit organization devoted to arts education. Founded in 1985, programs reach up to 10,000 people annually, serving youth in schools and underserved San Diegans of all ages, including those in low income neighborhoods, foster care, the justice system, and the military.
Resounding Joy Inc	\$17,665	Resounding Joy uses therapeutic and recreational music programs to improve the social, emotional, physical, and spiritual well-being of individuals and communities.

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SACRA/PROFANA	\$13,112	Our mission is to enhance the cultural life of Southern California by cultivating and promoting the art of choral singing throughout our communities. SACRA/PROFANA is committed to awakening and nurturing enthusiasm for the choral art, through vibrant performances and focused outreach. While adhering to the highest artistic standards, we recognize the need for programming that is both accessible and compelling, and offers a rewarding, entertaining experience for concertgoers of all backgrounds.
San Diego Air & Space Museum	\$331,675	To preserve, inspire, educate and celebrate: Preserve significant artifacts of air and space history and technology. Inspire excellence in science, technology, engineering and math. Educate the public about the historical and social significance of air and space technology and its future promise as a pathway to advanced innovations. Celebrate aviation and space flight history and technology.
San Diego Art Institute	\$37,328	The San Diego Art Institute is an experimental bi-national contemporary art center catalyzing new experiences and connecting artist with audience. Our work is dedicated to advancing creative endeavors of artists of today and tomorrow. We believe that by providing professional and financial support along with opportunities to produce, exhibit and present their work, artists are empowered to create new, engaging and unexpected experiences that expand our cultural perspective and understanding.
San Diego Automotive Museum	\$60,769	The mission of the San Diego Automotive Museum is to tell the story of the social and technological past, present, and future of the automobile through its collections, exhibitions, and educational programs.
San Diego Ballet	\$55,745	The mission of the San Diego Ballet is to excite, enrich, and entertain its diverse audience, through an imaginative presentation of quality classical and contemporary dance.
San Diego Center for Jewish Culture	\$141,000	The mission of the San Diego Center for Jewish Culture is to offer an array of entertaining and enriching cultural, educational and artistic programming which brings the community together to connect with Jewish heritage, identity, experiences and values. CJC is committed to providing a welcoming and inclusive environment for San Diegoâs entire community.

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San Diego Childrens Choir	\$58,095	The San Diego Children's Choir provides children with choral music education and performance opportunities that foster performance excellence and collaboration at the highest artistic level, nurturing individual development and creating a foundation for lifelong success. The choir enriches the cultural fabric of San Diego County through the transformative power of music.
San Diego Chinese Historical Museum (SDCHM)	\$41,154	SDCHM's mission is to educate and inspire by preserving and celebrating the richness of Chinese history, art, culture and the contributions of Chinese Americans.
San Diego Civic Youth Ballet	\$56,747	To provide the youth of San Diego with an opportunity to study, understand and appreciate, through education and participation, the art of ballet, and to enrich the cultural life of the community.
San Diego Gay Men's Chorus	\$55,198	The mission of Finest City Performing Arts, Inc. (the San Diego Gay Men's Chorus) is to create a positive musical experience through exciting performances that engage our audiences, build community support, and provide a dynamic force for social change.
San Diego Guild of Puppetry, Inc.	\$11,126	To introduce the magic of the puppet theatre experience to San Diego County audiences; to develop and promote the art form through performances, special events and educational programming.
San Diego Hall of Champions	\$119,472	To recognize and celebrate outstanding local athletic excellence and provide sports programming forthe community to motivate and inspire youth to reach their full potential.
San Diego History Center	\$242,762	The San Diego History Center tells the diverse story of our region âlpast, present and future âleducates and enriches our community, preserves our history, and fosters civic pride.
San Diego Junior Theatre	\$99,069	San Diego Junior Theatre provides engaging, innovative, high-quality theatre education and productions for children of all cultural heritages, ages, abilities and levels of interest.
San Diego Model Railroad Museum	\$59,254	The mission of the San Diego Model Railroad Museum is to preserve the heritage of railroading through a series of miniature representations of California railroads, as well as research and preserve the history of model railroading. A main component of our mission is to educate the public on the history and aspects of railroading.

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San Diego Museum Council, Inc.	\$25,708	The mission of the San Diego Museum Council (SDMC) is to increase awareness, connect, provide services and advocate for the diverse museums within its membership. SDMC is a coalition of San Diego County museums working cooperatively to increase awareness of, and attendance at, the diverse museums in the region. The Council provides support services to San Diego County museums in management, networking, advocacy, education, and promotional opportunities.
San Diego Museum of Art	\$394,518	To inspire, educate and cultivate curiosity through great works of art.
San Diego Museum of Man	\$249,657	Our mission is to: ""Inspire human connections by exploring the human experience."" Our vision is to ""become San Diegoâ® dynamic place to go learn from each other, reflect on our place in the world, and build a better community."" In FY12, we formally adopted a new strategy to use contemporary social issues & popular culture as a springboard for exploring the past, present, and future of what it means to be human, with recognition that the love of humankind forms the core of our work.
San Diego Musical Theatre	\$89,934	San Diego Musical Theatre is dedicated to passionately producing and providing musical theatre that ignites the human spirit.
San Diego Natural History Museum	\$483,505	To interpret the natural world through research, education and exhibits; to promote understanding of the evolution and diversity of southern California and the peninsula of Baja California; and to inspire in all a respect for nature and the environment.
San Diego Opera	\$433,750	The mission of San Diego Opera is to deliver exceptional vocal performances and exciting, accessible programs to diverse audiences, focusing on community engagement and the transformative power of live performance.
San Diego Pro Arte Voices, Inc	\$5,000	To engage, enrich, and inspire the San Diego community through the transformational power of great choral music, performed by local professional artists.
San Diego Repertory Theatre	\$196,027	San Diego Repertory Theatre (San Diego REP) produces intimate, exotic, provocative theatre. We promote a more inclusive community through vivid works that nourish progressive political and social values and celebrate the multiple voices of our region. San Diego Repertory Theatre feeds the curious soul.

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SAN DIEGO SYMPHONY	\$469,902	San Diego Symphony presents symphonic music, at the highest level possible, as an accessible and inspirational art form through innovative programming and a strong commitment to arts education. Through a rich mixture of innovative artistic and educational programming, the Symphony makes music an integral part of the cultural and intellectual fabric of San Diego and seeks to improve the quality of life for residents and enhance the visitor experience for people from around the world.
San Diego Watercolor Society	\$32,617	To be an ongoing recognized leader in expanding the appreciation of and involvement in water media painting through member instruction, exhibition, community education and promotion.
San Diego Women	\$9,975	Through musical expression, the San Diego Women's Chorus encourages women's creativity, celebrates diversity, and inspires social action.
San Diego Writers, Ink	\$21,883	San Diego Writers, Ink, nurtures writers and fosters a literary community by * Serving as a hub for the literary community * Promoting literature * Providing artistic development for writers at all levels, and * Facilitating artistic collaboration
San Diego Young Artists Music Academy	\$24,418	Our Mission is to enhance the lives of children and youth in our community through music as a deterrent to the drugs and violence prevalent in our community.
San Diego Youth Symphony and Conservatory	\$144,711	To instill excellence in the musical and personal development of students through rigorous and inspiring musical training experiences. We pursue this mission by:â\(\mathbb{Q}\) Interacting with all musical communities to broaden cultural horizons. â\(\mathbb{Q}\) Embracing the diversity of current and prospective students.â\(\mathbb{Q}\) Enriching the community through programs and collaborations that increase access to and appreciation of classical music.
Save Our Heritage Organisation	\$100,347	Through education, advocacy, & stewardship Save Our Heritage Organisation's (SOHO) mission is to preserve, promote & support preservation of the architectural, cultural & historical links & landmarks that contribute to the community identity, depth & character of our region.
Scripps Ranch Theatre	\$23,203	Scripps Ranch Theatre is committed to instilling and deepening a love of live theatre among diverse audiences by delivering high-quality artistry on stage, as well as through new play development, community outreach, and education. We produce theatre that challenges audiences, expands their horizons, and touches them intellectually and emotionally.

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So Say We All	\$10,895	So Say We All is a literary and performing arts nonprofit organization founded with the mission to create opportunities for individuals to tell their stories and tell them better. We achieve this through three core services: storytelling, education and multimedia publishing.
The AjA Project	\$44,143	The AjA Project's mission is to provide photography-based programming to transform the lives of youth and communities. Central to AjA's mission is the transformation of individuals and communities through innovative, asset-based, participatory methods and strategies. AjAâB primary tool, participatory photography, provides populations whose voices have been diminished and marginalized with an opportunity to elevate their voices, tell their stories and re-imagine their vision for the future.
The New Children	\$197,760	The New Children's Museum (NCM) is a new model of children's museum whose mission is to stimulate imagination, creativity, and critical thinking in children and families through inventive and engaging experiences with contemporary art.NCMâB vision is to address a critical need in our society and become a leader in engaging children through contemporary art in order to develop the skills needed for the 21st century.
The Old Globe	\$470,522	The mission of The Old Globe is to preserve, strengthen and advance American theatre by creating theatrical experiences of the highest professional standards; producing and presenting works of exceptional merit designed to reach current and future audiences; ensuring diversity and balance in programming; and providing an environment for the growth and education of theatre professionals, audiences and the community at large.
The PGK Dance Project	\$15,482	The PGK Dance Project's mission: To create and produce dance centered programs and performances of the highest quality made affordable and easily available to the public. We do this through creative community collaborations and partnerships that promote and represent diversity in entertaining, innovativeways that educate and develop public appreciation of dance.

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The Veterans Museum at Balboa Park, and/or Veterans Museum and Memorial Center	\$11,431	Lead San Diego to honor, recognize and preserve the service, sacrifice and legacy of Veterans.
Timken Museum of Art	\$191,570	The Timken Museum of Art preserves the Putnam Foundationâ collection of European and American art for the education and benefit of present and future generations of San Diego area residents and visitors. The Museum celebrates the important role of art as a way of enriching lives and nurturing the creative spirit in all of us.
Villa Musica	\$85,743	Villa Musica inspires people of all ages and backgrounds to explore the joy and lifelong value of music through education, performance and community engagement.
Westwind Brass	\$5,262	Westwind Brass exists to broaden and enrich the musical legacy of local, national and international audiences through performance and educational services featuring brass instruments and music. Through our outreach programs, our goal is to not only help provide a well-rounded education for children and create a healthier community, but also, by offering students the chance to participate in this learning process, we help build the future arts audience.
Womens Museum of California	\$32,699	Our mission is to educate and inspire current and future generations about the experiences and contributions of women by collecting, preserving, and interpreting the evidence of that experience.
WorldBeat Cultural Center (WBCC)	\$39,795	As a nonâprofit multiâbultural arts organization we are dedicated to promoting, presenting & preserving the African & Indigenous cultures of the world through Music, Art, Dance, Education & Technology. Our main goal is then to create unity within diversity
Youth Philharmonic Orchestra	\$5,013	The Youth Philharmonic Orchestra is dedicated to the musical, social, and intellectual growth of young musicians of all ethnic, cultural, and economic backgrounds through inspired music instruction, dynamic ensemble rehearsals, and exceptional concert performances.



City of San Diego Commission for Arts and Culture Fiscal Year 2018 Creative Communities San Diego (CCSD) Project Descriptions

Creative Communities San Diego supports community-based festivals, parades and celebrations with an emphasis on projects that promote neighborhood pride and community reinvestment, and on sponsoring projects that make arts and culture activities more available and accessible in San Diego neighborhoods and encourage people diverse backgrounds to share their heritage and culture.

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Fiscal Year 2018 Creative Communities San Diego		
Organization	Award Amount	Project Description
A Ship in the Woods Foundation	\$6,922	Blue Peter A Ship in the Woods presents Blue Peter a two-day arts, music, and science festival on among the winding creek and ancient oaks of Felicita Park and our adjacent headquarters. Combining international headliners, local mainstays, and interactive art installations exploring environmental themes, Blue Peter invites San Diegans and tourists alike to celebrate the regions vibrant arts scene and natural history. \$15-25/day. Felicita County Park September 30 and October 1, 2017
America's Finest Dixieland Jazz Society	\$38,074	38th Annual SD jazzfest at the Town & Country Resort & Convention Center (Mission Valley) San Diego, 92108. The 5-day event (Nov 22-26,2017) will include Traditional/Hot Jazz, Swing, Ragtime, Rockabilly & Boogie-Woogie by 30+ bands & artists during 170+ 1-hour sets. Saturday is peak day with 70+ sets in 7 music venues, most with dance floors. Admission \$20-\$50pp depending on the day. Student discounts. Under 13 with an adult & active Duty Military free. Attendance 6000. Open to the public.
Armed Services YMCA of the USA - San Diego Branch	\$78,656	The Port of San Diego Big Bay Boom July 4th Fireworks Show is one of the largest fireworks shows in the nation. It can be seen at no charge from the many viewing locations around North San Diego Bay at 9pm on July 4th. Over 500,000 people will view this event which is in its 17th year of production. It can also be seen live on television from Santa Barbara to Baja, Mexico. The event will display a highly technical display of artistic pyrotechnics choreographed to a unique production of music.

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Balboa Park Conservancy	\$81,277	Balboa Park December Nights, the City of San Diego as holiday season kickoff, celebrates its 40th anniversary on December 3 Produced by the Balboa Park Conservancy, December Nights is the largest free community festival in San Diego, attracting more than 350,000 visitors. Guests are treated to more than 150 family-friendly performances, representing diverse cultural traditions, and nearly 150 food and retail vendors, set amid historic buildings and gardens decked out for the season.
BAME Renaissance Inc.	\$9,058	The Imperial Avenue Street Festival will be held on Saturday, August 26, from noon to 9 pm. The festival stretches along Imperial Avenue, between 28th and 30th street and from L to Commercial Street. The festival includes entertainment two stages, a variety of exhibitors and vendors, children activities and the Logan Heights Art Experience. The beauty of the event is to promote arts and culture and a sense of community pride for the Greater Logan Heights area.
Bodhi Tree Concerts	\$5,000	Bodhi Tree Concerts will present Music en la Calle-a free, multicultural, all day, outdoor music festival in City Heights on Saturday, June 23. Partnering with City Heights Community Development Corp. & Opera de Tijuana, the festival will feature exclusively local artists as well as artists in training from grade school to college. There will also be food, visual artists & community vendors selling their wares. Through our common language of music, we will celebrate the diversity of San Diego.
Brazilian Institute for Arts & Culture (BIAC)	\$11,264	Brazilian Day San Diego is Sunday Sept. 10, 2017, at Belmont Park in Mission Beach! Join 50,000 others for a free, family-friendly festival including top Brazilian entertainers, a Carnival parade, food, beer garden, arts, and more. Capoeira, dance and percussionist students of all levels are invited to workshops led by master teachers on Sept. 8th at Fitness West in Pacific Beach and Sept. 9th at the Capoeira, Dance, and Percussion Convention at UCSD. (Cost: \$45/workshop series)
Cabrillo Festival, Inc.	\$5,000	The 54th Annual Cabrillo Festival commemorating the European discovery of San Diego and the west coast of what became the United States by Juan Rodrigues Cabrillo on September 28, 1542. The Festival is free to the public. Opening ceremonies are Friday 9/29/17 at the Cabrillo National Monument from 4pm-5pm, and the Festival is Saturday, 9/30/17 at the Naval Base Point Loma from 11am-3:30pm. This is a fun event for the entire family.

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California Lawyers for the Arts	\$5,000	CLA's educational workshops on art law topics will be scheduled throughout the City of San Diego between July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2018. Our primary audience is emerging and midcareer artists who are seeking affordable information about the legal issues involved in their artistic practices. Topics may include Public Art Contracts, Insurance Basics, Copyright, Trademark, Overview of Mural Laws, Licensing Intellectual Property, Non-Profit Incorporation, Immigration and Patent Basics,
CoTA (Collaborations: Teachers and Artists)	\$5,000	The project for which CoTA seeks funding offers teacher professional development and public engagement events in the city of San Diego. This professional development will consist of teacher-artist Collaborations. CoTA will offer free events such as Parent Classes, Celebrations of Learning, and Community Engagements to take place from October 2017-June 2018 at Burbank and Carson Elementary Schools and at local libraries and nonprofits.
Diamond Business Association, Inc.	\$5,000	The Diamond Street Festival will celebrate the rich history, diverse cultures, and captivating energy of the people of Southeastern San Diego at its new location: between 63rd & 65th and Imperial Avenue on Saturday, August 12, 2017. Groove to live local and regional music. Enjoy cultural performances. Taste flavors of culturally traditional foods. Feast eyes on over 100 custom cars/bikes at the custom car show. Amazing arts and crafts sold by local artists and vendors. Family friendly and Free!
Hillcrest Business Improvement Association	\$16,791	In Hillcrest CityFest's 33rd, year this popular neighborhood street fair will continue its celebration of urban life. On August 13, 2017 from 12noon until 11pm, Hillcrest will celebrate all the terrific things about living in an urban environment including culture, art, music and food. CityFest features a massive food court, hundreds of artists, a gigantic stage, an all ages dance party and a beer garden. CityFest is held under the Hillcrest sign and is free to the public.
Indian Fine Arts Academy of San Diego	\$25,631	The 11th Annual Music and Dance Festival, featuring over 70 artists from India will be held at the JCC, in La Jolla from March 19th \(\mathbb{L} \) 5th, 2018, to celebrate Sitar Maestro Ravi Shankar\(\mathbb{L} \) 98th birthday and Dance Legend Balasaraswati\(\mathbb{L} \) centenary. We will present uniquely curated music and dance by well-known musicians and dancers; offer lectures on music and dance; have 120 students from San Diego perform, and recognize eminent artists with awards. The ticket prices are set at \(\mathbb{L} \) 25/person/ event.

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Italian American Art and Culture Association of San Diego	\$17,490	The San Diego Italian Film Festival brings 12 films, the best in Italian cinema, with a focus on insights into Italian culture, covering major themes - migrations, work, family, gender. The festival stimulates curiosity and creativity across borders. Screenings take place at the Joan and Irwin Jacobs Theater, Museum of Photographic Arts, Balboa Park during the fall and draws over 3,000 attendees. Ticket prices run \$10, with discounts for members, students, military, and Community Partners.
The Jacobs and Cushman San Diego Food Bank	\$56,288	The 2017 San Diego Blues Festival, food drive/ fundraiser benefiting the San Diego Food Bank includes 2 stages and 9 blues acts with Mavis Staples as the headliner. Mavis is a 2010 Grammy award-winning singer who began her musical career with The Staple Singers who were Martin Luther King Jr's favorite band. The festival is September 9 at Embarcadero Marina Park North and a Blues Festival kickoff concert is Friday, September 8 at Gingers downtown San Diego. Line up/tickets: www.sdbluesfest.org
KARAMA	\$6,999	The San Diego Arab Film Festival will present 10 screenings of films from and about the Arab world that provide realistic perspectives on Arab people, culture, art, history and politics. Films will include feature length and short films, both narrative and documentary. It will take place at the Museum of Photographic Arts in Balboa Park on October 20-21, and at AMC Mission Valley on October 28-29. Admission is \$10 General and \$5 Students. Selected screenings will be presented by filmmakers.
Karen Organization of San Diego	\$5,000	Karen New Year Celebration January 6th, 2018 (date to be confirmed)9:00 am - 2:00 pm Cost: free Crawford High School Auditorium (4191 Colts Way, San Diego, CA 92115) Join Karen Organization of San Diego in celebrating the most important holiday for refugees from Burma in San Diego, Karen New Year! You will enjoy traditional dance and music performances, a Karen culture and history presentation, and lunch with home-made Karen traditional dishes lovingly prepared by your neighbors.
Kyoto Symposium Organization	\$45,475	KPS is privileged to have served as the only non-Japan venue for the Kyoto Prize Laureates. We showcase San Diego to a global international audience in both the arts and the sciences. With the Inamori Foundation we- Host three new Laureates every year, many of whom never visit San Diego (music is the award area in 2018)- Have provided unrestricted over \$ 1.5 million to our four co-host universities (SDSU,UCSD, USD, PLNU)- Bus 1000 HS students each year to campus co-host presentations.

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La Maestra Family Clinic, Inc.	\$7,181	La Maestra Generations Creations project (July 2017- February 2018) is a City Heights community collaboration, featuring classes, workshops, exhibits, and public performances, all free to the public. Workshops taught by local artists to the diverse, multi-generational community will include fine arts, crafts, music, dance and theater. La Maestra will hold two art and music fairs in December 2017 and February 2018 to exhibit and sell items and share performances produced by students.
Linda Vista Multi- Cultural Fair, Inc.	\$7,961	The 33rd Annual Linda Vista Multi-Cultural Fair & Parade will take place on April 28, 2018 on the 6900 block of Linda Vista Road from 10am to 5pm. This free event promotes cultural awareness and understanding within the City of San Diego. It has numerous cultural exhibits, varied ethnic food offerings, a Kid's Zone, rides, and three stages of artistic performances. The event welcomes everyone to experience the diverse Linda Vista community and its over 22 languages and dialects spoken.
Little Italy Association	\$22,645	FESTA! is on Sunday October 8, 2017 from 10 am to 6 pm on Date Street, between India and Columbia Streets, in the heart of San Diego's Little Italy. The free event features all aspects of Italian-American culture: food, fashion, music, and art. Artists, vendors, and local merchants feature products that are uniquely Italian. Chalk-artists transform 3 city blocks in to Italian-themed masterpieces. Over 100,000 visitors help make this the largest single-day Italian Festival in the USA.
Little Saigon San Diego Foundation	\$22,388	Lunar New Year Festival Qualcomm Stadium Feb. 16-18, 2018 Expected Attendance: 30,000 Admission: TBA Asian food, games, exhibits, carnival rides and non-stop live entertainment including concerts, firecrackers, lion dances, martial arts and. Also features a breathtaking ""Cultural Village,"" displaying artistic reconstructions of iconic sculptures, buildings and landscapes from South East Asia. Family-friendly event for all age groups and cultural enthusiasts!
Mariachi Juevnil	\$52,958	The Mariachi Student Conference and Festival is an intergenerational and binational community building program that supports the study, celebration, and promotion of Mexican arts and culture through mariachi music. Conference participation costs \$65 and offers mariachi music instruction for 300 students on March 16-17 at the University of San Diego. Students perform at the Mariachi Festival on Sunday, March 18th from 11am-7pm at Pepper Park. Festival admission is free and open to the public.

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Mariachi Scholarship Foundation	\$22,277	2017 San Diego International Mariachi Summit returns Aug. 17-22, uniting the world's greatest mariachi performers and educators for a series of concerts, student workshops and public forums to advance mariachi music and education. Mariachi Vargas de Tecalitlán (""The World's Greatest Mariachi"") and Mariachi Champaña Nevin perform with the San Diego Binational Symphony Orchestra on Aug. 19 at the Civic Theatre. Student registration is \$85, tickets for events range \$10-85.
Media Heritage Inc. dba FilmOut San Diego	\$12,927	The 20th Annual LGBT Film Festival will be held on June 7, 8, 9, 10, 2018 at The Observatory North Park, 2891 University Avenue, in the North Park neighborhood of San Diego and will include over 60 international, documentary, short and feature films that affirm the ongoing integrity and boundless imagination of the LGBTQ community and the artists who tell our stories. Projected ticket prices are: Festival passes - \$125; Opening Night - \$45; Closing Night - \$25 and \$10 individual films.
Musicians for Education dba Street of Dreams	\$14,674	Street of Dreams Live! Spoken Word Concert September 2, 2017, 7 P.M., San Diego City College, Saville Theater 1450 C Street, San Diego, CA 92101. Free to attend. Suggested donation at door, proceeds to benefit teen mothers in the Street of Dreams program. The evening will offer a screening of the student-produced music video, a student performance of original spoken word poetry to inform the audience on ways to interrupt generational poverty, and a Q & A social hour with students.
Ocean Beach Merchants Association, Inc.	\$23,521	The 39th Annual Ocean Beach Street Fair & Chili Cook-Off Festival will take place on June 23, 2018. The hours are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and admission is free .The fair will include 5 stages of music, 85 artisans in Artists Alley, a Chili Cook-Off competition, an interactive music section, merchandise and food vendors, a children's area, bloody mary and hamburger-eating competitions, a beer garden, and the painting of 3 community murals. For more information, visit www.OceanBeachSanDiego.com.
Pacific Beach Business Improvement Association	\$17,573	Pacific Beachfest is an annual free, family-friendly event featuring live music, local artisans, action sports and more! This community festival takes place on the beach and board walk in the neighborhood of Pacific Beach on October 7th 2017. There will be 5k races, surf and volleyball competitions and sunset yoga, shopping and dining experiences from local businesses and free arts and crafts activities for kids. Registration fees will occur for the sporting portions of this festival.

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PASACAT, Inc.	\$5,000	The 20th Annual Parol Festival features a collection of 200 parols made in the Philippines and locally of capiz shells and a kaleidoscope of lights and the traditional bamboo framed five-point star covered in cellophane and crepe paper. A parol village is created with an exhibit of parols where attendees will experience the culture of the Philippines with food, cultural dances and music, cultural exhibits and parol making workshops for the entire family to enjoy.
Point Loma Summer Concerts	\$12,740	Point Loma Summer Concerts presents free concerts on Friday nights this summer on July 14, 21, 28, August 4 and 11 from 5:30pm to 8:30pm in Point Loma Park. The park is located at 1049 Catalina Blvd on the Little League field next to the Fire Station. Neighbors and visitors sit side by side in an open friendly environment. The event welcomes everyone to enjoy spirit and pride in our community listening, playing and dancing to great music. For more information go to www.plconcerts.org.
Rancho de los Penasquitos Town Council	\$7,465	Close to 20K attendees are expected at the 23rd Annual Fiesta de los Penasquitos street fair and parade. This one-day event on Sunday May 6th, 2018 starts with a Parade at 10:30am from Sun Devil Way which leads to the Fiesta on Black Mountain Rd between Twin Trails Dr and Carmel Mountain Rd. The Fiesta will have over 100 vendors, including food vendors, arts and crafts, a carnival zone, activities for kids, pony rides, a petting zoo and 4 stages of entertainment. 11am - 5pm. Free to the public.
City College Foundation dba City Voices for Social Justice	\$5,000	San Diego City College City Voices for Social Justice holds the City Voices Literary series in spring and fall semesters and the annual City College Social Justice Conference every spring semester. All events are free and open to the public
San Diego Earth Day	\$38,951	Our annual Earth Fair in Balboa Park is the largest free annual environmental fair in the world. Earth Fair 2018, held on Sunday, April 22, 2018, will be our 29th annual event! Each year, the Earth Fair draws around 60,000 visitors. Produced by 300 volunteers, Earth Fair 2018 will feature more than 300 exhibitors, Food Pavilions, Children's Activity Area, 4 entertainment venues, the Earth Day Parade, the earth Gallery arts and crafts show, Reuse and Repair area, and the Cleaner Car Concourse.

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San Diego Film Foundation	\$116,878	The San Diego International Film Festival, now in its 16th year, is a 5-day event which attracts nearly 25,000 attendees. The Festival includes 100+ studio premiers and the best of independent films and their filmmakers from around the world; red carpet events; industry panel discussions; education and outreach programming; and tributes to film industry legends like Annette Bening and Geena Davis. The event is held in two film villages in San Diego's Gaslamp Quarter and La Jolla.
San Diego LGBT Pride	\$116,878	The 44th San Diego LGBT Pride Parade and Festival, taking place on July 14-16, 2017, will celebrate the broad range of artistic and cultural diversity within the LGBTQ community. Saturday® parade will attract 100,000 spectators to cheer on 200 contingents. The 2-day festival in Balboa Park will include four music and dance performance stages featuring Top 40, Latin, Hip Hop and Electronic Music, LGBTQ history education, and a juried ""Art of Pride"" visual art exhibit featuring LGBTQ artists.
San Diego Performing Arts League	\$5,000	San Diego Theatre Week is a week-long celebration of performing arts - music, theatre, comedy and dance - that serves to promote the vast array of performing arts in the city, and provides exposure for the producing organizations. Each venue involved either offers tickets at a significant discount, or adds a benefit to the performance. Each venue offers the most entertaining or interesting possibility that works for their venue and makes sense with the program being presented.
SAN DIEGO SHAKESPEARE SOCIETY (SDSS)	\$5,000	The San Diego Student Shakespeare Festival will take place in Balboa Park in April 2018. More than 400 participants (students, teachers, musicians, etc.) will assemble for a celebratory procession from Plaza de Panama to their assigned stages. An audience of several thousand will see performances by students in costume presenting soliloquies, sonnets, and dramatic scenes from Shakespeare's plays. Musicians and dancers will present period pieces. Schools pay a small fee to participate.
San Diego State University Research Foundation for KPBS	\$21,872	One Book, One San Diego is the region's premier community reading program, attracting thousands of participants every fall. It is a partnership of KPBS, San Diego Public and County library systems, and many other local libraries, schools and literary organizations. The program's purpose is to bring together residents through the shared experience of reading and discussing the same book. The program encourages participation in free events related to the featured book. Dates are to be arranged.

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Sorrento Valley Town Council, Inc	\$5,000	Sorrento Valley Beer Festival10427 Roselle St., San Diego, CA 92121. By I-5 and Sorrento Valley Blvd. Friday, September 8, 2017, 5:00pm 8:30pm\$10 Go on an adventure and explore the art of the brew! Sample tantalizing varieties from a large selection of local innovative and award-winning breweries in a totally cool setting. Enjoy great live music, delicious food truck offerings, fun games, fire pits and plenty of comfortable seating. Hang out, connect with friends and make new ones!
Speed of Change Inc. dba TedX San Diego	\$11,322	On Saturday, September 30, 2017 from 11:00am-6:30pm, TEDxSanDiego will bring 12 speakers & 3 performances to the stage at Copley Symphony Hall, creating a TED-like experience with the theme of IICreated Future(s). IIWe will also block off B Street in front of Symphony Towers and invite 20 San Diego startup companies to exhibit in a space we call Innovation Alley. Registration: \$100; Expected audience: 1,800; Target audience: doers, thinkers, innovators, creatives and explorers in San Diego County.
The Bon Temps Social Club of San Diego	\$112,320	Gator By The Bay is an annual 4 day Louisiana themed Music & Food Festival that brings the spirit, sounds and flavors of the Louisiana Bayou to San Diego's Spanish Landing Park on San Diego Bay, May 10-13, 2018. It is a zesty gumbo of music, food and fun with entertaining performances by the best Cajun, Zydeco, Blues and Latin musicians and site entertainers. The event is all ages. Admission tickets range in price from \$25-\$95. Children under 18 are admitted free.
Torrey Pines Kiwanis Foundation dba San Diego Festival of the Arts	\$53,217	The 32nd annual San Diego Festival of the Arts will be held June 9-10, 2018 (10am-6pm) at the downtown Waterfront Park. Nearly 200 critically acclaimed artists will display and sell their original fine art from almost every discipline. Visitors can also enjoy delicious cuisines, fine wine and craft beer from local establishments plus live musical acts. Tickets start at \$12; admission is free to children 16 and under and active military. Visit sdfestivalofthearts.org to learn more.
transcenDANCE Youth Arts Project	\$10,875	transcenDANCE Youth Arts Project presents The Dream Catchers, the culminating multidisciplinary performance event of an intensive program where teen dancers, professional choreographers and mentors will explore themes of personal safety, understanding others, and compassion in direct response to a highly publicized act of violence that personally touched a graduate student dancer and alarmed an entire community. Public performances are at the Lyceum Theatre on July 21st-22nd. Tickets: \$10-\$25.

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Via International	\$6,434	Chicano Park Day is a free family-friendly cultural event held annually to celebrate the history, art and culture of the park, captured in just under 100 murals in and around this National Historic Landmark. 2018 will mark the 48th year of the event which draws over 10,000 people from around the region to the Logan Heights neighborhood. This day-long event includes cultural presentations, music, dance, art, food, vendors and the largest free low-rider car show on the west coast.
Write Out Loud	\$6,807	TwainFest, a free literary festival that celebrates the literature, history and culture of 19th Century America, will take place on Saturday, August 19, 2017 from 11:00 am - 9:00 pm at Old Town San Diego State Historic Park. Attendees will hear a variety of 19th Century Literature read aloud on six stages and participate in a host of unique literary based games and activities on the Plaza green, all with a backdrop of vintage American music. Free Books are distributed to all participants.