



Annual Report
Fiscal Year 2007 - 2008



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“Promoting
the City by
supporting the arts.”



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Did you Know?



Grants for the Arts awards more money annually to San Francisco arts and cultural groups than the National Endowment for the Arts and the California Arts Council combined.



A study by Americans for the Arts reveals that America's nonprofit arts industry generates \$134 billion in national economic activity every year.



San Francisco gives more support per capita to the nonprofit arts than any other city in the United States.

State of the Arts

Grants for the Arts Progress Report by Kary Schulman, Director

Although not without challenges for some, most San Francisco arts organizations flourished in 2007, offering more performances and exhibits and deepening connections to more audience members. Most groups ended this past year with balanced budgets; some returning to fiscal solvency after several years in the red. All this is to be celebrated.

Grants for the Arts received a 6% funding increase for 2007/08. The approximately \$731,800 in new money was distributed as follows:

\$678,850 in increased funding to support organizations' increasing budgets.

\$55,000 to fund six new organizations, bringing the the total number of groups funded to 225.

With these increases to ongoing recipients and first-time funding for newly qualifying organizations, we emphasize our primary goal of providing progressive, meaningful support for San Francisco's cultural organizations at all budget levels, including continuing funding restoration for the six largest organizations whose allocations decreased by more than 30% between 2001 and 2005 due to the economic downturn affecting all city agencies' budgets during those years.

It is, of course, gratifying that the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors have continued their commitment to supporting the broadest range of cultural activities in San Francisco. But perhaps of more lasting significance than the good funding news is the renewed commitment many arts organizations made to sharing and collegiality within our community among organizations small and large, emerging and established, across the lines of cultures and disciplines.

Grants for the Arts helped to initiate several activities in 2007 which demonstrated and built upon this new harmony:

- **The Best Practices Series:** This series of five free and interactive conversations was developed by a hard-working and broad-based committee of 17 artists and arts administrators to address selected topics from different perspectives. Produced in collaboration with the San Francisco Foundation, hundreds of artists, administrators and culture workers joined in discussions of the shifting media landscape, the impact of changed demographics on the arts, the importance of staying current with technology, the rewards and challenges of collaboration, and the difficulties of retaining and nurturing staff.

- **The California Cultural Data Project (CCDP):** Developed with a consortium of state arts funders, CCDP will by the end of 2008 have created a "universal application for funding" which will be used by Grants for the Arts, the San Francisco Arts Commission, the California Arts Council, and nearly all foundation and corporate arts funders in California. A corollary of this shared application will be the ability for sophisticated data collection and analysis to aid in creating targeted initiatives, in arts advocacy, and in evaluating funding effectiveness. All while making the application processes much more efficient for both the applicant organizations as well as the funders.

- **The Wallace Excellence Collaboration:** San Francisco is one of four cities selected by the New York City-based Wallace Foundation to receive \$7.5M over a four-year period to support audience building activities. This innovative, far-reaching, multi-year model of arts funding, administered by Grants for the Arts and The San Francisco Foundation, identified 11 San Francisco organizations to share \$6M in large individual grants. The Foundation and GFTA were awarded \$1.5M to support a Bay Area-wide learning network to encourage arts participation. Activities will include developing a combined mailing list and data resource; expanding and enhancing the SFArts.org website; convening a series of panels and workshops in San Francisco, the East Bay and the South Bay to share effective ideas and practices; an Arts Marketing Boot Camp; and commissioning regional artists, arts leaders, and thinkers to create works on the themes of cultural participation. The Wallace Foundation chose San Francisco as one of the four sites for this effort because of the city's high concentration and variety of arts organizations, as well as for our history of robust collaboration among GFTA, The San Francisco Foundation and arts organizations.

I do not like to end on a down note, but I would be remiss if I did not mention that it is possible that our rosy funding picture of 2007/08 will not be repeated in 2008/09. Even if this is the case, our hope is that the extraordinarily positive activities mentioned above, made possible by the comity achieved this year in our community, will benefit San Francisco's artists and arts organizations in the future, helping them, in concert with one another, to experiment, dare and invigorate the City's cultural life.

History of Grants for the Arts

Grants for the Arts/San Francisco Hotel Tax Fund (GFTA) was the first agency of its kind in the nation when it was founded in 1961, through a combination of City and state legislation. Highly respected and widely emulated, GFTA has evolved into a national and international model for municipal funding of the arts and has been at the center of the City's cultural identity, improving its quality of life, strengthening its economy and enhancing its reputation.

Since its creation, GFTA has distributed more than \$250 million to hundreds of nonprofit cultural organizations in San Francisco. This economic investment in the activities of diverse arts and promotional groups enhances the City's attractiveness to visitors and provides employment and enrichment to the City's residents. Grants for the Arts/San Francisco Hotel Tax Fund revenue derives from a portion of the 14% room tax levied on local hotel and motel bills.

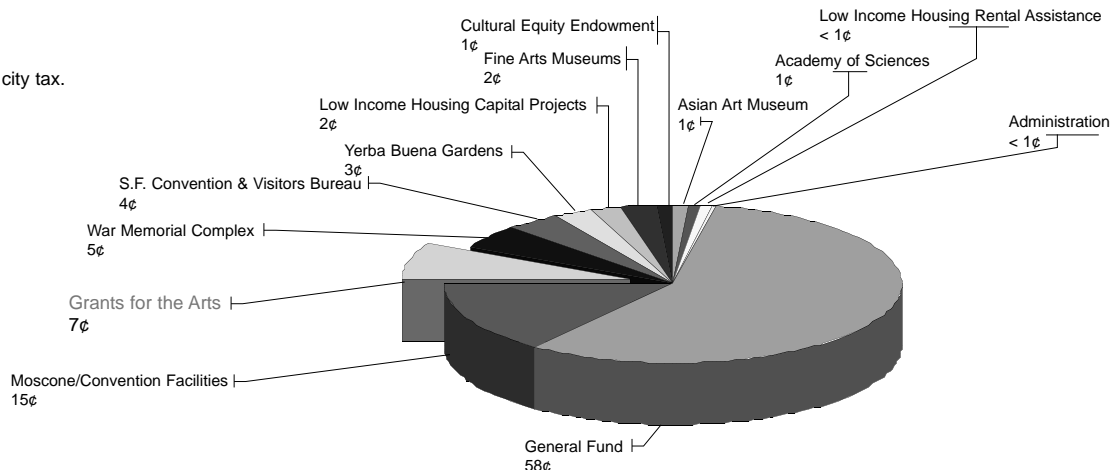
expenses addresses its goal to be a stable, dependable base of support for the broadest spectrum of arts organizations that continue to meet the funding criteria.

The goal of the Fund is to contribute meaningfully to the presentation and enhancement of existing art forms while assuring the ability of others to experiment and to find new and yet untested ways of adding to our cultural lives. We look forward to a future full of challenges – and thus, by definition, full of opportunities.

GFTA's policy of contributing to arts organizations' general operating

San Francisco's Hotel Tax

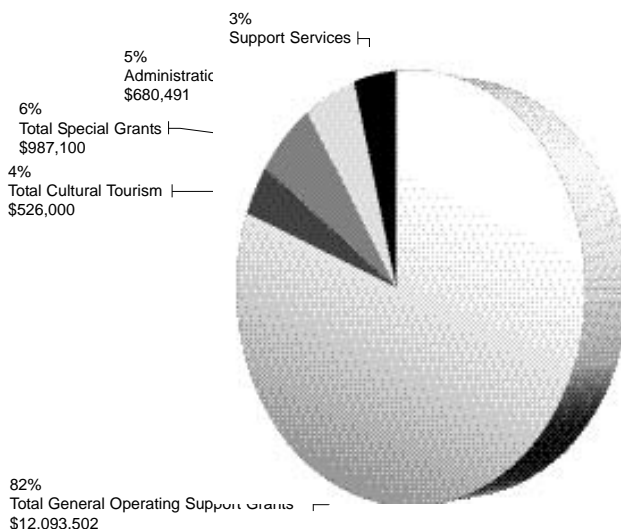
Where does each dollar go?
Overnight visitors pay a 14% city tax.



Grants for the Arts Fiscal Year 2007/2008 Annual Budget

95% of the funds Grants for the Arts receives from the Hotel Tax go directly to support the arts.

Total Expenditures:
\$14,779,334



Grants for the Arts Programs

Annual Grants to San Francisco Arts Organizations

The foremost goal of Grants for the Arts is to provide a stable, dependable base of support for the City's arts and cultural organizations that meet its funding criteria. In fulfilling its mission of "promoting the City through support of the arts," Grants for the Arts annually funds non-profit arts and cultural organizations that help promote San Francisco as a destination for regional, national and international visitors. Grants for the Arts is committed to supporting the broadest spectrum of the San Francisco arts community.

Reliable, ongoing financial support is one of the cornerstones of an arts organization's existence. Grants for the Arts' relationship with the City's non-profit groups is quite unique in terms of national municipal support of the arts. This is because funding is not linked to specific projects or productions. Instead, the annual grant program is designed to provide a consistent source of funds for general operating expenses.

Grants for the Arts funding levels are determined on a progressive basis with smaller budget organizations receiving a larger percentage of their budgets and larger groups a smaller percentage from the Fund. San Francisco's largest cultural institutions are given important sustaining funds in recognition of their world-renowned artistic contributions and economic importance to the City. The majority of the funds (nearly 70%) goes to the small and midsize organizations of all disciplines and cultures.

Here is the list of non-profit arts and cultural organizations that received Grants for the Arts annual support for the 2007–2008 Fiscal Year.

"When communities invest in the arts, there is a tendency to think that they are opting for cultural benefits at the expense of economic benefits. This (Americans for the Arts) study demonstrates that the arts are an industry that generates extraordinary economic activity, jobs, and tax revenues. When we say that the arts mean business, that's not just a slogan; it's the truth."

Robert L. Lynch,
CEO, Americans for the Arts

Dance

\$1,750,600

Abada Capoeira, teaches, promotes and preserves Capoeira, a mock-fighting dance style of Afro-Brazilian origin. Its programs include instruction and ticketed performances.

\$12,000
3221 22nd Street
San Francisco, CA 94110
415.206.0650
www.abada.org

Anne Bluethenthal and Dancers, a modern dance ensemble, performs new dances often created in collaboration with composers, visual artists and costumers.

\$12,000
628 14th Street
San Francisco, CA 94114
415.437.2512
Abandprod@aol.com

Asian American Dance Performances is a professional dance company that presents work locally and internationally informed by Asian cultures and traditions.

\$10,800
1310 Mission Street
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.425.7369
aadp@unboundspirit.org

Bay Area National Dance Week is a group effort by dance administrators, artists, choreographers, dance critics and funders to attract audiences, offers a series of events that bring attention to the contributions of the Bay Area dance community.

\$11,000
Dancers' Group
1360 Mission Street, #200
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.920.9181
dg@dancersgroup.org
www.bayareandw.org

Capacitor, a group of interdisciplinary movement artists, presents technologically inspired, innovative and multisensory dance performances in contemporary settings.

\$10,200
890 Urbano Drive
San Francisco, CA 94127
415.308.1952
info@capacitor.org
www.capacitor.org

Chhandam Chitresh Das Dance Company, is dedicated to the preservation, promotion and education of *Kathak*, one of India's six classical dance styles; it produces dance performances throughout San Francisco and the Bay Area.

\$31,000
32 Saint Charles Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94132
415.333.9000
info@kathak.org
www.kathak.org

Chinese Cultural Productions features the Lily Cai Chinese Dance Company, which presents classical, folk and modern dances based on the traditions of China's various ethnic groups.

\$42,500
Fort Mason Center, Landmark Bldg. C-353
San Francisco, CA 94123
415.474.4829
info@ccpsf.org
www.ccpsf.org

Company Chaddick is a contemporary dance company whose purpose is to create works that reflect the social, emotional and physical experiences that reveal the fundamental humanity connecting us all.

\$6,000
15 Bennington Street
San Francisco, CA 94110
415.824.4541
companychad@yahoo.com
www.companychaddick.org

Dance Brigade is a contemporary dance theater that produces and presents a wide variety of programs at Dance Mission, a performance venue in the Mission District which the group also operates.

\$60,000
3140 21st Street, #107
San Francisco, CA 94110
415.826.4401
kkwickedwitch@yahoo.com
www.dancemission.com/brigade/

Danceart, Inc., produces Summerfest, an annual series of modern dance concerts featuring local choreographers on shared programs.

\$28,500
Danceart, Inc.
3153 17th Street
San Francisco, CA 94110
415.891.8885
www.summerfestdance.org

Dancers' Group features the works of local and out-of-town dance soloists and choreographers through an annual festival and year-round concerts.

\$60,000
1360 Mission Street #200
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.920.9181
dg@dancersgroup.org
www.dancersgroup.org

Deborah Slater Dance Theater presents work dealing with topical issues, combining modern dance, theater and text with multimedia images.

\$13,000
3288 21st Street, #71
San Francisco, CA 94110
415.267.7687
aotm@artofthematter.org
www.artofthematter.org

Epiphany Productions, an interdisciplinary dance company dedicated to the artistic vision of dance experimenter Kim Epifano, collaborates with diverse artists to create, produce and perform original dance-theater works.

\$11,000
901A De Haro Street
San Francisco, CA 94107
415.647.1443
epiphanydance@earthlink.net
www.epiphanydance.org

Flyaway Productions is a highly physical dance company that produces site-specific as well as traditional venue dances often using aerial apparatus.

\$12,500
1068 Bowdoin Street
San Francisco, CA 94134
415.333.8302
jo@flyawayproductions.com
www.flyawayproductions.com

Janice Garrett & Dancers is a highly acclaimed dance company presenting its founder's contemporary choreography in San Francisco and on tour.

\$13,000
3153 17th Street
San Francisco, CA 94110
415.864.6716
info@janicegarrettanddancers.org
www.janicegarrettanddancers.org

Jess Curtis/Gravity Physical Entertainment was founded in 2000 as a research and development vehicle for live performance focusing on physical entertainment addressing ideas of substance and relevance to a broad public.

\$18,000
849 Divisadero Street, #4
San Francisco, CA 94117
415.435.7549
info@jesscurtisgravity.org
www.jesscurtisgravity.org

Joe Goode Performance Group is a modern dance company that stretches the traditional boundaries of dance and theater.

\$42,000
1007 General Kennedy Avenue, #209
San Francisco, CA 94129
415.648.4848
info@joegoode.org
www.joegoode.org

Kunst-stoff (roughly "art-thing" in German) is a contemporary dance company founded by choreographers Yannis Adoniou and Tomi Paasonen that produces regular home seasons in San Francisco.

\$5,000
26 Seventh Street, 5th Floor
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.863.3040
info@kun-stoff.org
www.kunst-stoff.org

"The applause of a single human being is of great consequence."

Samuel Johnson

LINES Contemporary Ballet, dedicated to developing new works blending classical ballet, ethnic and modern dance, tours regionally, nationally and internationally.

\$93,000
26 Seventh Street, 5th Floor
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.863.3040
info@linesballet.org
www.linesballet.org

Margaret Jenkins Dance Company is a renowned modern dance company that often tours nationally and internationally.

\$74,000
149 Ninth Street
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.861.3940
info@mjdc.org
www.mjdc.org

Na Lei Hulu I Ka Wekiu, a modern hula troupe, produces an annual season and performs to audiences across the country.

\$39,000
1527 20th Street
San Francisco, CA 94107
415.647.3040
mail@naleihulu.org
www.naleihulu.org

ODC/San Francisco is a major modern dance company that presents the works of the collective's choreographers in local seasons, national and international tours.

\$128,000
351 Shotwell Street
San Francisco, CA 94110
415.863.6606
letters@odcdance.org
www.odcdance.org

Purple Moon Dance Project, a contemporary dance company, integrates Western modern dance with Asian dance forms to present positive, provocative images of lesbians and women of color.

\$21,000
26 Seventh Street, 6th floor
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.552.1105
project@purplemoondance.org
www.purplemoondance.org

Robert Moses' Kin, a multiethnic ensemble, performs innovative modern dance works that encourage dialogue and cultural understanding.

\$24,000
870 Market Street
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.252.8384
inquiry@robertmoseskin.org
www.robertmoseskin.org

San Francisco Ballet, recognized as one of the premier performing arts institutions in the world and among the largest ballet companies in the United States, presents a diverse repertoire offering new interpretations of the classics and commissions works by contemporary choreographers. \$494,200
455 Franklin Street
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.861.5600
gmccoy@sfballet.org
www.sfballet.org

San Francisco Ethnic Dance Festival includes a festival of international dance at the Palace of Fine Arts as well as performances throughout the city and the region. The festival is cosponsored by Grants for the Arts and World Arts West. \$254,200
Fort Mason Center
Landmark Bldg. D
San Francisco, CA 94123
415.474.3914
julie@worldartswest.org
www.worldartswest.org

San Francisco Hip Hop Dance Festival features Hip Hop dance "crews" from all over the U.S., Canada and parts of Europe. The organization's mission is to bring attention, understanding and support to the dance form and culture and to create connections among and reflect the diversity of the Hip Hop community. \$10,000
1355 Third Avenue, #3
San Francisco, CA 94122
415.297.9740
micaya@micaya.com
www.sfhiphopdancefest.com

Scott Wells & Dancers is a contemporary dance ensemble creating highly energetic "contact dance" that features work created as a result of touch, impact or collision with other dancers. \$9,000
1805 Divisadero Street
San Francisco, CA 94115
415.931.8648
scottbwells@hotmail.com
www.scottwellsdance.com

Smuin Ballets/SF enriches and extends the art of dance by producing Tony and Emmy Award-winner Michael Smuin's innovative choreography in annual home seasons at Yerba Buena Center for the Arts. \$122,000
300 Brannan Street, Suite 407
San Francisco, CA 94107
415.495.2234
info@smuinballets.com
www.smuinballets.com

Stephen Pelton Dance Theater, a modern dance company, creates lyrical, abstract and athletic work built around an emotional core. \$11,000
50 Laguna Street, #601
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.241.0111
stephenpelton@sbcglobal.net
www.stephenpeltondance.org

Theatre Flamenco of San Francisco, one of the City's oldest companies, is a professional Spanish ensemble that also performs dances from Latin America. \$13,900
1144 Rhode Island
San Francisco, CA 94107
415.826.1305
info@theatreflamenco.org
www.theatreflamenco.org

Yaelisa & Caminos Flamencos Dance Company is dedicated to creating and presenting Flamenco programs with a fresh, contemporary approach, reflecting the contemporary Flamenco Nuevo movement. \$25,000
c/o San Francisco Dance Center
26 Seventh Street, 5th Floor
San Francisco, CA 94103
510.531.9986
info@caminosflamencos.com
www.caminosflamencos.com

Zaccho Dance Theatre pushes the choreographic boundaries of theater and dance by integrating other art disciplines as well as trapeze and aerial work. \$34,000
1777 Yosemite Avenue, #330
San Francisco, CA 94124
415.822.6744
office@zaccho.org
www.zaccho.org

"San Francisco's noble experiment with the Hotel Tax Fund has achieved recognition and that sincerest form of flattery, imitation, in other cities. Somehow, it seems right that San Francisco lead the way in this regard. California as a state, may be backward in its support for the arts, but the City knows how to take care of its own."

Michael Walsh, music critic

Literary Arts

\$171,6000

City Arts & Lectures presents several series of lectures, conversations and other literary activities with a wide spectrum of well-known authors. \$49,500
1955 Sutter Street
San Francisco, CA 94115
415.563.2463
cityarts@infoasis.com
www.cityarts.net

Litquake is an annual literary festival bringing together an eclectic range of Bay Area authors before audiences of all ages for a week-long series of readings, performances and cross-media literary happenings. \$7,000
P.O. Box 720125
San Francisco, CA 94172
415.750.1497,
info@litquake.org
www.litquake.org

PlayGround is a workshop for emerging playwrights presenting public performances of works in development. \$13,300
268 Bush Street, #2912
San Francisco, CA 94104
415.704.3177
info@playground-sf.org
www.playground-sf.org

The Playwrights Foundation serves the art of playwrighting in Northern California most visibly through production of the annual Bay Area Playwrights Festival, a series of workshop productions or staged readings of new works. \$23,000
131 10th Street, 3rd Floor
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.263.3986
amy@playwrightsfoundation.org
www.playwrightsfoundation.org

The Poetry Center, founded in San Francisco in 1954, presents two seasons annually of public readings in the City by a wide spectrum of outstanding poets and other contemporary writers. \$16,900
San Francisco State University
1600 Holloway Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94132
415.338.2227
steved@sfsu.edu
www.sfsu.edu/~poetry/

Radar Productions presents the work of emerging queer writers through its monthly reading series and other events. \$6,900
535 Columbus Avenue #24
San Francisco, CA 94133
415.216.9641
sfsunday@aol.com

Small Press Traffic Literary Arts Center presents and distributes the work of writers published by small independent presses. GFTA supports the year-round public literary events. \$8,000
1111 Eighth Street
San Francisco, CA 94107
415.551.9278
smallpress@ccac-art.edu
www.sptraffic.org

Youth Speaks is a literary arts, event production and education organization for teenagers, who "speak for themselves" through interdisciplinary spoken word performances. \$47,000
290 Division Street, Suite 302
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.255.9035
info@youthspeaks.org
www.youthspeaks.org

Media

\$593,500

3rd I S.F. International South Asian Film Festival is an international film exposition showcasing films and videos from Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Nepal, the Maldives, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Tibet and the South Asian diaspora.

\$8,000
992 Valencia Street
San Francisco, CA 94110
415.824.3890
thirdi_sf@yhoo.com
www.thirdi.org

American Indian Film Festival is an international film exposition showcasing films and videos by and about Native Americans.

\$42,000
333 Valencia, Suite 322
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.554.0525
aifisf@yahoo.com
www.aifisf.com

Arab Film Festival, Cinemayaat, showcases independent filmmakers working with Arab themes to enhance understanding of diverse Arab cultures and experiences.

\$19,000
2 Plaza Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94116
415.564.1100
info@aff.org
www.aff.org

Artists Television Access supports the production and exhibition of work by new artists in video, film, visual arts and multimedia performances.

\$9,000
992 Valencia Street
San Francisco, CA 94110
415.824.3890
ata@atasite.org
www.atasite.org

Berlin and Beyond, presented by the Goethe-Institut, is the only German film festival in the United States. This festival offers ticketed and free film screenings and discussions with filmmakers, actors and producers.

\$12,000
530 Bush Street
San Francisco, CA 94108
415.263.8760
info@sanfrancisco.goethe.org
www.goethe.de/sanfrancisco

Center for Asian American Media presents the annual, 10-day San Francisco International Asian American Film Festival.

\$64,000
145 Ninth Street, Suite 350
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.863.0814
info@asianamericanmedia.org
www.asianamericanmedia.org

Cine Acción presents Festival ¡Cine Latino! in September at various venues and distributes Latino/Latin American media works by local and international artists.

\$6,500
P.O. Box 192747
San Francisco, CA 94119
415.553.8135
info@cineaccion.com
www.cineaccion.com

Film Arts Foundation provides technical and support services to filmmakers. GFTA support is for the annual Filmmakers Showcase and a regranteeing program to individual film and video artists.

\$64,000
145 Ninth Street, Suite 101
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.552.8760
info@filmarts.org
www.filmarts.org

Frameline presents the annual, 11-day San Francisco International Lesbian & Gay Film Festival at several venues throughout the City.

\$81,000
145 Ninth Street, Suite 300
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.703.8650
info@frameline.org
www.frameline.org

International Latino Film Festival is an annual event showcasing diverse films about the Latino experience.

\$10,000
984 Folsom Street
San Francisco, CA 94107
415.454.4039
info@latinofilmfestival.org
www.latinofilmfestival.org

Queer Women of Color Media Project promotes the creation, exhibition and distribution of films and videos that reflect the life stories and address the social justice issues of queer women of color. "QWOCMAP" presents the annual Queer Women of Color Film Festival.

\$5,000
59 Cook Street
San Francisco, CA 94118
415.752.0868
events@qwocmap.org
www.qwocmap.org

San Francisco Black Film Festival is an annual event showcasing diverse films about the African American and African diaspora experience.

\$9,000
P.O. Box 15490
San Francisco, CA 94115
415.346.0199
avem@sbcglobal.net
www.sfbff.org

"The purpose of art is not a rarified, intellectual distillate—it is life, intensified, brilliant life."

Alain Arias-Misson

San Francisco Cinematheque screens works by local and national avant-garde filmmakers, film classics and neglected films.

\$22,000
145 Ninth Street, Suite 240
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.552.1990
sfc@sfcinematheque.org
www.sfcinematheque.org

San Francisco Film Society presents the oldest film festival in the U.S., showcasing independent American, foreign and commercial films.

\$122,000
39 Mesa Street, Suite 110
The Presidio
San Francisco, CA 94129
415.561.5000
sffs@sffs.org
www.sffs.org

San Francisco Independent Film Festival is a 10-day festival of screenings and events dedicated to the presentation of independent film, video and animation in traditional and digital formats.

\$24,000
530 Divisadero Street, #183
San Francisco, CA 94117
415.820.3907
info@sfindie.com
www.sfindie.com

San Francisco Jewish Film Festival, a six-day festival of independent films, promotes awareness of the diversity of the Jewish experience and the Jewish people.

\$66,000
145 Ninth Street, Suite 200
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.621.0556
jewishfilm@sffff.org
www.sffff.org

San Francisco Silent Film Festival provides public access to a broad range of films made during the silent era by presenting an annual festival of silent films with live musical accompaniment at the Castro Theater.

\$40,000
833 Market Street, Suite 812
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.777.4908
stacey@silentfilm.org
www.silentfilm.org

Multi-Arts

\$1,417,950

509 Cultural Center is dedicated to enriching the cultural life of the Tenderloin neighborhood with multicultural programming featuring performing artists and gallery exhibits.

\$32,000
1007 Market Street
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.255.5971
luggagestore@sbcglobal.net
www.luggagestoregallery.org

Asian Improv aRts supports the creation, production, performance and recording of new Asian American work in music, poetry and dance.

\$28,000
201 Spear Street, Suite 1650
San Francisco, CA 94105
415.208.3636
info@asianimprov.com
www.asianimprov.com

Asian Pacific Islander Cultural Center promotes the artistic and organizational growth of the Asian Pacific Islander arts community and presents the annual United States of Asian America Festival.

\$21,000
934 Brannan Street
San Francisco, CA 94103
(415.864.4120
info@apiculturalcenter.org
www.apiculturalcenter.org

BRAVA! For Women in the Arts presents mainstage world premieres annually as well as up-and-coming Bay Area women artists in performance art, poetry, visual arts and new music.

\$76,000
2781 24th Street
San Francisco, CA 94110
415.641.7657
ellen@brava.org
www.brava.org

CELLspace, a multidisciplinary, collaborative arts center in the Mission District, offers performances, exhibitions, workshops and learning labs in a variety of mediums and also incubates emerging artists and sponsors artist residencies.

\$45,000
2050 Bryant Street
San Francisco, CA 94110
415.648.7562
info@cellspace.org
www.cellspace.org

The Community Arts & Education Program of the San Francisco Arts Commission promotes the revitalization of disadvantaged and underserved communities through a program that promotes arts activities in San Francisco's diverse communities and neighborhoods.

\$200,000
25 Van Ness Avenue, Suite 240
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.252.2598
judy.nemzoff@sfgov.org
www.sfartscommission.org

Counterpulse is a community-based visual and performing arts venue available to artists, activists and community experimenters for meetings, public discussion, rituals, art exhibits and performances.

\$35,000
1310 Mission Street
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.922.2385
info@counterpulse.org
www.counterpulse.org

The Cowell Theatre, located at Fort Mason, provides a well-equipped venue for diverse small and midsize groups from all performing disciplines.

\$46,000
Fort Mason Center, Bldg. A
San Francisco, CA 94123
415.441.3400
cowell@fortmason.org
www.fortmason.org

Cultural Odyssey is a multimedia performance ensemble that creates and presents original work by African American artists at a variety of local, national and international venues.

\$46,000
P.O. Box 156680
San Francisco, CA 94115
415.292.1850
info@culturalodyssey.org
www.culturalodyssey.org

Eth-Noh-Tec, a performing arts and education organization, builds cultural bridges through the interdisciplinary performance of Asian and Asian American stories touching on universal truths.

\$21,500
977 S. Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94110
415.282.8705
ethnohtec@aol.com
www.ethnohtec.org

Eugene & Elinor Friend Center for the Arts, part of the Jewish Community Center of San Francisco, Friend Center programs primarily take place at Kanbar Hall, a 450-seat flexible theater that attracts community organizations and performing arts groups.

\$25,000
3200 California Street
San Francisco, CA 94118
415.292.1204
lnaxon@jccsf.org
www.jccsf.org

First Voice is a company that produces, presents and sponsors performing arts projects that explore the Asian American experience.

\$22,000
41 Parsons, Suite A
San Francisco, CA 94118
415.221.0601
info@firstvoice.org
www.firstvoice.org

Footloose produces and presents a mixed format of original theater, dance, music, improvisational sketch comedy, film/video and multimedia performances and operates a performance / rental / gallery facility on Ninth Street.

\$24,900
P.O. Box 885393
San Francisco, CA 94104
415.920.2223
ftloose@earthlink.net
www.ftloose.org

Fresh Meat Productions builds community by creating and presenting multidisciplinary arts programs that authentically reflect and explore the transgender experience.

\$8,000
375 27th Street
San Francisco, CA 94131
415.355.0071
freshmeatperformance@hotmail.com
www.freshmeatproductions.org

Humanities West presents multidisciplinary programs in the humanities with supporting arts activities.

\$18,000
P.O. Box 546
San Francisco, CA 94104
415.391.9700
humwest@att.net
www.humanitieswest.org

Intersection for the Arts presents new theater, performance art, readings and visual arts in its theater and gallery space, as well as administering a regranteeing program for new theater works.

\$65,000
446 Valencia Street
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.626.2787
info@theintersection.org
www.theintersection.org

Irish Arts Foundation is a multidisciplinary arts presenting organization that promotes Irish and Irish American cultural heritage. Programs include annual Celtic Music and Arts Festivals, reading series in coffeehouses and bookstores and sponsorship of The Fifth Province, a resident theater ensemble.

\$5,000
5214F Diamond Heights
Boulevard, #127
San Francisco, CA 94131
(415.495-7380
billroarty@gmail.com
www.sfirishfilm.org

Kearny Street Workshop presents the work of Asian American visual artists, writers, musicians and photographers.

\$22,000
180 Capp Street
San Francisco, CA 94110
415.503.0520
info@kearnystreet.org
www.kearnystreet.org

KulArts, a Filipino American performing arts group, presents dance and music reflecting Asian Pacific heritage as well as contemporary works based on traditional forms.

\$18,750
474 Faxon Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94112
415.239.0249
info@kularts.org
www.kularts.org

The Marsh presents nearly 200 diverse productions annually of new multidisciplinary work in its multilevel venue in the Mission.

\$54,800
1062 Valencia Street
San Francisco, CA 94110
415.282.6024
marsh@themarsh.org
www.themarsh.org

"It is impossible for ideas to compete in the marketplace if no forum for their presentation is provided or available."

Thomas Mann

New Langton Arts showcases new developments in visual art, music, poetry and performance art, especially audio and video experimentation, site-related work and installations, and administers a regranting program to interdisciplinary artists.

\$57,000
1246 Folsom Street
San Francisco, CA 94103-3817
415.626.5416
nia@newlangtonarts.org
www.newlangtonarts.org

ODC/Theater offers a broad range of work including local, national and international artists in contemporary and traditional dance, music and performance art.

\$54,000
351 Shotwell Street
San Francisco, CA 94110
415.626.6745
info@odctheater.org
www.odctheater.org

Queer Cultural Center is a multi-disciplinary arts presenting organization that offers artistic and educational programs exploring queer cultural and identity issues.

\$33,000
934 Brannan Street
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.865.5611
pampen1@earthlink.net
www.queerculturalcenter.org

San Francisco Center for the Book, a blend of literary and visual arts, presents exhibitions and lectures promoting local, national and international book artists as well as the book as "art."

\$45,000
300 De Haro Street
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.565.0545
info@sfc.org
www.sfc.org

San Francisco Maritime National Park Association presents cultural and educational programs that offer opportunities to understand and appreciate San Francisco's maritime heritage.

\$5,000
P.O. Box 470310
San Francisco, CA 94147
415.561.6662
info@maritime.org
www.maritime.org

San Francisco Performances produces a season of internationally known performers and local artists in a variety of City venues.

\$161,000
500 Sutter Street, Suite 710
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.398.6449
info@performances.org
www.performances.org

Slavonic Cultural Center of San Francisco fosters the arts and culture of the Slavonic community.

\$34,000
60 Onondaga Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94112
510.649.0941
johndaley@mindspring.com
www.slavonicweb.org

Society for Art Publications of the Americas presents free visual arts exhibits and performances featuring multicultural artists and public forums to enhance cross-cultural understanding.

\$29,000
535 Powell Street
San Francisco, CA 94108
415.398.7229
info@merdiangallery.org
www.merdiangallery.org

Stern Grove Festival Association presents free outdoor performances in a natural amphitheater featuring the City's Ballet, Symphony and Opera and other local and national performing companies.

\$76,000
44 Page Street, Suite 600
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.252.6253
info@sterngrove.org
www.sterngrove.org

The.art.re.grup/The Lab, is an interdisciplinary artists' organization supporting development and presentation of new performance and visual art, particularly works that cross material, cultural or presentational boundaries and encourage artistic and social dialogue.

\$30,000
2948 16th Street
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.864.8855
sherry@thelab.org
www.thelab.org

Young Audiences of the Bay Area brings a wide variety of performing arts activities to children through in-school performances, workshops and master classes. GFTA supports the Arts Card project and the free performance series at the California Academy of Sciences.

\$15,000
125 Stillman Street
San Francisco, CA 94107
415.974.5554
awong@ya-nc.org
www.ya-nc.org

Z Space Studio, founded to "develop the art of theater," produces staged readings and workshops; the resident company Word for Word offers fully staged productions of literary works from diverse writers.

\$65,000
131 Tenth Street, 3rd Floor
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.626.0453
zspace@zspace.org
www.zspace.org

Music

\$3,332,625

American Bach Soloists presents and records historically informed, virtuoso instrumental and vocal performances of Baroque and early classical music.

\$34,000
44 Page Street, Suite 504
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.621.7900
info@americanbach.org
www.americanbach.org

Bay Area Omni Foundation for the Performing Arts presents concerts featuring a variety of acoustic guitarists who explore the stylistic range of the instrument. Performers include some of the finest guitarists in the world as well as promising emerging artists.

\$20,000
236 West Portal Avenue, #1
San Francisco, CA 94127
415.242.4500
omni@omnicconcerts.com
www.omnicconcerts.com

The Chamber Music Partnership, Inc., performs a repertoire that includes masterpieces by traditional composers as well as modern classical works; produces a concert series in the Veteran's Memorial Building Green Room.

\$10,900
196 Ripley Street
San Francisco, CA 94110
415.642.8054
chmusic@dslextreme.com
www.chambermusicpartn.org

Chamber Music San Francisco produces a series of spring concerts at Florence Gould Theater in the Legion of Honor.

\$12,000
1314 34th Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94122
415.759.1756
info@chambermusicSF.org
www.chambermusicSF.org

Composers, Inc. provides a forum for performance of works by living American composers in its annual concert season.

\$8,300
P.O. Box 194552
San Francisco, CA 94119
415.512.0641
mail@composersinc.org
www.composersinc.org

Cypress String Quartet is a "Generation X" string ensemble dedicated to exploring the standard string quartet repertoire as well as commissioning works from emerging American composers.

\$34,000
915 Cole Street, # 137
San Francisco, CA 94117
415.681.9045
todd@cypressquartet.com
www.cypressquartet.com

Del Sol String Quartet accomplishes its mission to heighten awareness and accessibility of contemporary chamber music through performances, recordings, collaborations, commissions and school presentations.

\$13,000
754 46th Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94121
415.831.5672
charlton@delsolquartet.com
www.delsolquartet.com

Door Dog Music Productions supports and promotes music from various ethnic traditions through a variety of presenting and educational activities, culminating in the annual World Music Festival. \$42,000
1007 General Kennedy Avenue, #215
San Francisco, CA 94129
415.561-6571
info@doordog.org
www.doordog.org

Earplay is a contemporary music ensemble dedicated to performing American music with emphasis on works by Bay Area and lesser-known composers. \$17,000
P.O. Box 192125
San Francisco, CA 94119-2125
415.974.9300
earplay@earplay.org
www.earplay-sf.org

Encuentro del Canto Popular is an annual fall concert series that presents new music from Latin America. \$13,000
2958 24th Street
San Francisco, CA 94110
415.648.1045
encuentro@accionlatina.org
www.accionlatina.org

Golden Gate Men's Chorus is a 42-voice ensemble performing a variety of concerts in various venues; repertoire ranges from classical programs to fully staged cabaret productions. \$15,000
116 Eureka Street
San Francisco, CA 94114
415.626.4462
chairman@ggmc.org
www.ggmc.org

Golden Gate Performing Arts presents the San Francisco Gay Men's Chorus, Note Bene and Men About Town in repertoires of sacred and secular music from opera to pop. \$58,800
1800 Market Street, PMB 100
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.865.3650
teddy@sfgmc.org
www.sfgmc.org

Instituto Pro Música de California supports Coro Hispano de San Francisco, an ensemble of singers and instrumentalists dedicated to the exploration and public performance of folk and art music repertoires of Latin America, Spain and Portugal. \$14,000
1403 28th Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94122
415.431.4234
juanpedrogaffney@corohispano.org
www.corohispano.org

Kronos Quartet performs 20th century works for string quartets, tours internationally and undertakes numerous commissions each year. \$91,000
1235-A Ninth Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94122
415.731.3533
kronos@kronosarts.com
www.kronosquartet.org

The Lamplighters, considered one of the top Gilbert and Sullivan companies in the U.S., performs an annual season of comic opera. \$66,000
P.O. Box 77367
San Francisco, CA 94107
415.227.4797
info@lamplighters.org
www.lamplighters.org

Lesbian/Gay Chorus of San Francisco, the oldest American mixed gay/lesbian chorus, annually produces three full-length choral concerts of varied repertoire. \$10,000
584 Castro Street, #486
San Francisco, CA 94114
415.861.7067
info@lgcsf.org
www.lgcsf.org

Loco Bloco Drumming and Dance Ensemble develops and presents intergenerational art rooted in the music, dance and theater traditions of the Americas, staging three annual productions and sustaining three performing ensembles. \$23,000
3543 18th Street, # 20
San Francisco, CA 94110
415.626.5222
locobloco@gmail.com
www.locobloco.org

Magnificat, an ensemble of musicians and singers, produces an annual concert series of 17th century works and provides instrumental support to Bay Area professional and community choirs and choral groups. \$27,000
601 Van Ness Avenue #E-3-142
San Francisco, CA 94107
415.255.9440
info@magnificatbaroque.com
www.magnificatbaroque.com

Melody of China, an instrumental ensemble, promotes Chinese music with classical roots that reflects the synergy between ancient cultural tradition and the modern American experience. \$33,000
2720 41st Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94116
415.640.8825
info@melodyofchina.com
www.melodyofchina.com

Midsummer Mozart Festival, the only major series in the U.S. devoted to Mozart's works, performs six concerts a year and has released a number of recordings. \$40,000
760 Market Street, #749
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.627.9141
peter@midsummermozart.org
www.midsummermozart.org

New Century Chamber Orchestra is a Grammy Award-nominated ensemble of 18 string musicians dedicated to performing music at the highest level and to expanding audiences through a fresh approach to classical music. \$54,000
665 Third Street, Suite 200
San Francisco, CA 94107
415.357.1111
info@ncco.org
www.ncco.org

Noe Valley Chamber Music Series presents monthly Sunday afternoon concerts at the Noe Valley Ministry that feature well-known and emerging chamber music ensembles. \$5,100
1021 Sanchez Street
San Francisco, CA 94114
415.648.5236
information@nvcm.org
www.nvcm.org

Noontime Concerts is a free weekly lunchtime classical music series held at St. Patrick's Church in the Yerba Buena Gardens district. \$17,000
756 Mission Street
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.777.3211
info@noontimeconcerts.org
www.noontimeconcerts.org

Old First Concerts presents quality, low-cost chamber music concerts and vocal recitals of contemporary and classical music performed by well-known and local artists. \$19,000
1751 Sacramento
San Francisco, CA 94109
415.474.1608
staff@oldfirstconcerts.org
www.oldfirstconcerts.org

Other Minds presents one of the country's leading avant-garde music festivals, featuring composers and artists from around the globe in concerts, workshops and panel discussions. \$38,000
333 Valencia Street, Suite 303
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.934.8134
otherminds@otherminds.org
www.otherminds.org

Pacific Chamber Symphony, a professional chamber orchestra, emphasizes music from the classical era augmented by selections from other genres, including contemporary pieces. \$28,000
480 Clementina
San Francisco, CA 94108
415.989.6873
info@pacificchambersymphony.org
www.pacificchambersymphony.org

"Some American cities talk about arts funding but do little about it. Here in San Francisco we follow the European model which considers arts funding a necessity of urban life, not a luxury."

Roger Boas, former Chief Administrative Officer

Paul Drescher Ensemble creates, performs and tours contemporary music and interdisciplinary music theater exploring issues from today's complex culture.
\$51,900

333 Valencia Street, Suite 301
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.558.9540
info@dresherensemble.org
www.dresherensemble.org

People in Plazas presents free summer concerts by local musicians in outdoor locations downtown.

\$21,800
870 Market Street, #456
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.350.7071
info@peopleinplazas.org
www.marketstreet.citysearch.com

Philharmonia Baroque Orchestra recreates 17th and 18th century music on original instruments in local, national and international concerts.

\$133,000
180 Redwood Street, Suite 200
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.252.1288
info@philharmonia.org
www.philharmonia.org

Pocket Opera performs witty original English translations of neglected chamber operas.

\$37,300
469 Bryant Street, Suite 210
San Francisco, CA 94107
415.972.8930
info@pocketopera.org
www.pocketopera.org

Rova:Arts explores musical possibilities through commissioned works presented at annual concerts.

\$21,000
333 12th Street
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.487.1701
info@rova.org
www.rova.org

San Francisco Bach Choir performs the choral literature of Bach and other classical composers.

\$32,000
3145 Geary, # 210
San Francisco, CA 94118
415.441.4942
iinfo@sfbach.org
www.sfbach.org

San Francisco Boys Chorus musically trains boys, 5 to 13 years old, who regularly perform in concerts throughout the Bay Area, sing with the San Francisco Opera and Symphony and tour internationally.

\$61,000
333 Hayes Street, #116
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.861.7464
contact@sfbc.org
www.sfbc.org

"An artist is not an isolated system. In order to survive he has to continuously interact with the world around him."

Hans Haacke

San Francisco Chamber Orchestra is reportedly Northern California's oldest professional chamber orchestra presenting classical, contemporary and commissioned works that reflect the diverse music and cultural traditions of America's past and present.

\$18,000
406 Oak Street
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.248.1640
raldag@sfcchamberorchestra.org
www.sfcchamberorchestra.org

San Francisco Chanticleer is an all-male chorus acclaimed for its artistry and versatility, which performs local, national and international concerts.

\$132,000
44 Page Street, #604
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.252.8589
info@chanticleer.org
www.chanticleer.org

San Francisco Choral Artists is a chamber ensemble dedicated to the performance of choral masterpieces of all eras, styles and regions.

\$10,000
PMB 344, 601 Van Ness Ave., #E
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.979.5779
info@sfca.org
www.sfca.org

San Francisco Choral Society, a 200-member community chorus, specializes in large choral works for chorus and orchestra.

\$24,900
236 West Portal Avenue, Suite 775
San Francisco, CA 94127
415.566.8425
inquire@sfcchoral.org
www.sfcchoral.org

San Francisco Conservatory of Music, a fully accredited music college, produces the "Sing-It-Yourself-Messiah" and year-round faculty and student concerts.

\$71,000
50 Oak Street
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.759.3400
bhj@sfc.edu
www.sfc.edu

San Francisco Contemporary Music Players, one of the oldest ensembles performing contemporary music, presents a concert season at the Yerba Buena Center for the Arts.

\$42,000
55 New Montgomery, Suite 708
San Francisco, CA 94105
415.278.9566
info@sfcmp.org
www.sfcmp.org

San Francisco Girls Chorus features more than 325 7-18 year-olds, who perform in formal solo concerts, with the City's Opera and Symphony at civic events, on recordings and on national/international tours.

\$98,000
44 Page Street, #200
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.863.1752
info@sfgirlschorus.org
www.sfgirlschorus.org

San Francisco Gu-Zheng Music Society presents concerts featuring the gu-zheng, a type of flat harp, and other ancient Chinese instruments.

\$6,000
450 2nd Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94118
415.668.8111
info@guzheng.org
www.guzheng.org

SFJAZZ (San Francisco Jazz Organization) presents world-class live jazz concerts year-round, including such annual productions as the San Francisco Jazz Festival, SFJAZZ Spring Season and SFJAZZ Free Outdoors.

\$146,500
3 Embarcadero Center, Lobby Level
San Francisco, CA 94111
415.398.5655
rkline@sffjazz.org
www.sffjazz.org

San Francisco Lesbian Gay Freedom Band, the first openly gay music organization in the U.S., performs both marching and concert band repertoire throughout the Bay Area and on tour.

\$10,800
584 Castro Street, #841
San Francisco, CA 94114
415.255.1355
sflgfb@sflgfb.org
www.sflgfb.org

San Francisco Live Arts presents a series of performances primarily at the Noe Valley Ministry that ranges from music to theater works to performance art.

\$15,100
1021 Sanchez Street
San Francisco, CA 94114
415.454.4665
www.noevalleymusicseries.com

San Francisco Lyric Opera presents works from the classical operatic repertoire, with accompaniment and theatrical staging. The company's motto is "grand opera at affordable prices."

\$32,000
694 6th Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94118
800.919.8088, 415.459.3497
info@sflyricopera.org
www.sflyricopera.org

San Francisco Opera is a world-renowned company that presents regular seasons of classic and contemporary works featuring internationally acclaimed artists and productions; the Opera also provides artist training and outreach programs.

\$817,175
301 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.861.4008
www.sfoopera.com

San Francisco Symphony, acknowledged as one of the seven best U.S. orchestras, plays a nine-month season, tours nationally and internationally and sponsors a Youth Orchestra and annual classical music festivals. \$790,250
Davies Symphony Hall
201 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.552.8000
messages@sfsymphony.org
www.sfsymphony.org

VOLTI, formerly San Francisco Chamber Singers, a professional vocal ensemble that presents a wide-ranging repertoire from choral classics to new music. \$17,800
P.O. Box 15576
San Francisco, CA 94115-0576
415.771.3352
info@voltisf.org
www.voltisf.org

Theater

\$1,455,960

42nd Street Moon is a musical theater company dedicated to restoring, preserving and presenting works by 20th century American composers and lyricists in staged concert performances. \$51,000
601 Van Ness Ave, #E3621
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.255.8205
info@42ndstmoon.org
www.42ndstmoon.org

Actors Theatre, an ensemble company, presents an eclectic mix of off-Broadway, classical and new plays in its Theater District venue. \$23,500
855 Bush Street
San Francisco, CA 94108
415.296.9582
information@actorstheatresf.org
www.actorstheatresf.org

AfroSolo Theatre Company promotes and presents the experiences of African Americans in solo performances of theater, dance, poetry and music. \$12,500
762 Fulton Street, Suite 307
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.771.2376
thomas@afrosolo.org
www.afrosolo.org

American Conservatory Theater, considered one of the finest U.S. regional theaters, performs plays ranging from world classics to contemporary premieres. \$424,960
30 Grant Avenue, 6th Floor
San Francisco, CA 94108-5800
415.834.3200
jmartin@act-sf.org
www.act-sfbay.org

Asian American Theater Company presents classical and contemporary works by Asian American playwrights. \$24,400
555 Teresita Blvd.
San Francisco, CA 94107
415.543.5738
darryl.chiang@gmail.com
www.asianamericantheater.org

BATS Improv, a leader in improvisational theater, performs everything from Theatresports to improvised Shakespeare and Broadway musicals. \$24,500
Fort Mason Center, Bldg. B
San Francisco, CA 94123
415.474.6776
www.improv.org

Campo Santo, an award-winning theater ensemble performing culturally diverse works that explore contemporary issues. \$30,000
Intersection for the Arts
446 Valencia Street
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.267.3956
email: info@theintersection.org
www.theintersection.org

Crowded Fire Theater Company produces new work, often commissioned by the company or created by its 15 core-member artists, and existing work by contemporary experimenters. \$14,000
131 Tenth Street, 3rd Floor
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.255.7846
info@crowdedfire.org
www.crowdedfire.org

The Cutting Ball Theater an experimental theatre company, presents Avant GardARAMA! and a three show season. \$11,000
131 10th Street, 3rd Floor
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.572.7834
rob@cuttingball.com
www.cuttingball.com

Encore Theatre Company offers innovative stage presentations of rarely produced drama that fosters social awareness and affirms the diversity of the human experience. \$17,000
588 Sutter Street, #116
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.401.6333
lcswh@aol.com
www.encoretheatreco.org

The world of reality has its limits; the world of imagination is boundless."

Jean-Jacques Rousseau

Eureka Theatre Company produces its own season of contemporary plays and presents work from other disciplines and touring productions in its downtown theater. \$29,000
215 Jackson Street
San Francisco, CA 94111
415.788.7469
calicopro@sbcglobal.net
www.eurekatheatre.org

EXIT Theatre produces fully staged experimental plays, absurdist classics and performance art featuring multicultural artists at its two spaces in the downtown/Tenderloin community. \$55,200
156 Eddy Street
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.931.1094
mail@sffringe.org
www.sffringe.org

foolsFURY presents new works and performance styles that include music, dance, circus, audience interaction and visual art. \$20,000
131 10th Street, 3rd Floor
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.377.5277
ben@foolsfury.org
www.foolsfury.org

Golden Thread Productions, stages works focusing on historic and contemporary issues of the disparate cultures of the Middle East in order to present a balanced and nuanced view of this complex region. \$10,000
131 10th Street, 3rd Floor
San Francisco, CA 94107
415.626.4061
torange@goldenthread.org
www.fgoldenthread.org

La Pocha Nostra, a multidisciplinary, multimedia company created by performance artist Guillermo Gomez-Peña, explores the cultural "borders" between languages, cultures, technology and art. \$22,000
2940 16th Street, #110
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.863.2441
pochnostra@aol.com
www.pochanostra.com

Lobster Theater Project produces sketch comedy shows (Killing My Lobster) an annual film festival (hi/lo Film Festival) and a festival of dramatic plays (Bruno's Island Festival of New Works), among other activities. \$24,000
P.O. Box 170309
San Francisco, CA 94117
415.558.7721
joel@killingmylobster.com
www.killingmylobster.com

Lorraine Hansberry Theatre, a premier West Coast Black theater, presents plays by leading African American playwrights and a play reading series featuring new works. \$60,700
620 Sutter Street, 7th Floor
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.288.0336
lhtsf@aol.com
www.lorrainehansberrytheatre.com

Magic Theatre is recognized internationally for the development and production of new works by American writers. \$92,000
Fort Mason Center, Bldg. D
San Francisco, CA 94123
415.441.8001
info@magictheatre.org
www.magictheatre.org

"Decades ago San Francisco institutionalized the idea that the arts are not only a financially viable, lucrative and significant industry but that they are also the soul of the City. Today's arts community is proof positive of the wisdom of that concept. It is important to honor the visionaries that started Grants for the Arts and the San Francisco arts and cultural organizations that keep that vision alive."

Berta Concha, Chair of GFTA Citizens Advisory Committee

New Conservatory Theatre Center is a performing arts complex and professional theater arts school. GFTA funds support the Arts Kaleidoscope Series and similar public programming.
\$74,200
25 Van Ness Avenue, Lower Lobby
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.861.4914
email@nctcsf.org
www.nctcsf.org

Phoenix Arts Association Theatre presents new and often unperformed scripts, original adaptations of American, British and European writers by Bay Area artists as well as premieres of works by the West Coast Playwrights Alliance at two downtown theaters.
\$10,400
138 Carl Street
San Francisco, CA 94117
415.336.1020
lbf23@aol.com
www.phoenixtheatre.org

San Francisco Mime Troupe, San Francisco's oldest professional theater company, is recognized internationally as the foremost performer of political theater in the U.S.
\$66,200
855 Treat Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94110-2723
415.285.1717
office@sfmt.org
www.sfmt.org

San Francisco Playhouse, San Francisco Playhouse aims to provide a creative and inspiring environment where actors, directors, writers, designers, technicians and theatergoers can converge to create work celebrating the human spirit.
\$25,000
588 Sutter Street, #318
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.677.9596
bileng2@earthlink.net
www.sfplayhouse.org

San Francisco Shakespeare Festival presents free Shakespeare plays in Golden Gate Park each summer.
\$76,000
P.O. Box 460937
San Francisco, CA 94146
415.558-0888
sfshakes@sfshakes.org
www.sfshakes.org

Shadowlight Productions is inspired by the ancient Indonesian art of shadow puppetry, featuring actors and puppeteers telling stories and myths in black and white shadows projected upon a giant screen.
\$27,000
22 Chattanooga Street
San Francisco, CA 94114
415.648.4461
info@shadowlight.com
www.shadowlight.com

Teatro de la Esperanza produces bilingual work based upon the Chicano experience and tours nationally.
\$12,400
2940 10th Street, #217
San Francisco, CA 94140
415.240.9594
duarteclark@sbcglobal.net

Theatre Bay Area is the largest regional theater service organization in North America. GFTA supports the advertising and marketing of the TIX booth at Union Square.
\$64,000
870 Market Street, Suite 375
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.430.1140
brad@theatrebayarea.org
www.theatrebayarea.org

Theatre of Yugen is the only company in the U.S. to produce exclusively Noh and Kyogen works based on the historic Japanese style.
\$29,000
2840 Mariposa Street
San Francisco, CA 94110
415.621.0507
info@theatreofyugen.org
www.theatreofyugen.org

Theatre Rhinoceros develops and produces original works that examine the personal lives and social concerns of the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender communities.
\$69,000
2926 16th Street
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.552.4100
jfisher@therhino.org
www.therhino.org

Traveling Jewish Theatre creates original theater works based on the humanistic values of Jewish culture and tradition.
\$57,000
499 Alabama, #127
San Francisco, CA 94110
415.399.1809
sara@atjt.com
www.atjt.com

Visual Arts

\$1,897,675

African American Historical and Cultural Society exhibits historical memorabilia, primarily of African American culture in Northern California, maintains an art gallery and sponsors cultural activities.
\$29,300
762 Fulton Street, 2nd Floor
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.441.0640
www.sfbblackhistory.org

Artists Guild of San Francisco sponsors regular outdoor visual arts exhibitions and events in venues including Union Square, Washington Square, Marina Green, South Beach, Maiden Lane, Ferry Park Plaza, Huntington Park and Yerba Buena Gardens.
\$5,000
3801 Third Street, #1098
San Francisco, CA 94124
415.835.0610
strongarm_art@hotmail.com
www.artistguildsf.com

ArtSpan/Open Studios of San Francisco features nonjuried works of more than 700 local artists exhibited at artists' studios throughout the City for four weekends in October.
\$41,000
934 Brannan Street
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.861.9838
info@artspan.org
www.artspan.org

Black Rock Foundation, Established by the organizers of the annual Burning Man festival, creates and sites temporary interactive contemporary art installations in collaboration with San Francisco communities and neighborhoods.
\$10,000
1900 Third Street, First Floor
San Francisco, CA 94158
415.626.1248
melissa@blackrockarts.org
www.blackrockarts.org

California College of the Arts, a leading local educational institution, presents public lectures, symposia and exhibitions featuring internationally renowned artists, designers, architects and multimedia experts.
\$64,000
1111 Eighth Street
San Francisco, CA 94107
415-703-9506
www.cacac-art.edu

California Historical Society preserves, exhibits and interprets all facets of California history through publications, gallery shows, lectures and tours.
\$17,000
678 Mission Street
San Francisco, CA 94105
415.357.1848
dcrosson@calhist.org
www.californiahistoricalsociety.org

Cartoon Art Museum is one of two museums in the country dedicated to exhibiting original cartoon art.
\$35,000
655 Mission Street
San Francisco, CA 94105
415.227.8666
office@cartoonart.org
www.cartoonart.org

Chinese Culture Foundation presents contemporary Chinese and Chinese American exhibitions that tour nationally, administers outreach programs and produces the annual Spring Festival of Chinese Crafts.
\$67,100
750 Kearny Street, 3rd Floor
San Francisco, CA 94108
415.986.1822
info@c-c-c.org
www.c-c-c.org

Chinese Historical Society of America collects, preserves and exhibits art, artifacts and archives reflecting the experiences and contributions of Chinese people in America through the Chinese American National Museum, Learning Center, publications, lectures, events and tours.
\$50,000
965 Clay Street
San Francisco, CA 94108
415.391.1188
info@chsa.org
www.chsa.org

Contemporary Jewish Museum explores the ideas, values and artistic expression of Jewish culture and the experience of the Jewish people as an invaluable lens through which to understand the world. The museum is for people of all backgrounds, beliefs and ages.
\$93,000
282 2nd Street, 2nd Floor
San Francisco, CA 94105
415.591.8800
www.thecjm.org

Creativity Explored exhibits and promotes visual art by adults with developmental disabilities.
\$28,000
3245 Sixteenth Street
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.863.2108
director@creativityexplored.org
www.creativityexplored.org

Exploratorium is a museum of science, art and human perception that works with local, national and international artists to present hands-on exhibits, film programs, special exhibitions and public programming.
\$415,600
3601 Lyon Street
San Francisco, CA 94123
415.563.7337
www.exploratorium.edu

Galería de la Raza presents the contemporary work of Bay Area Latino/Chicano artists, musicians and theater groups.
\$45,000
2857 24th Street
San Francisco, CA 94110
415.826.8009
info@galeriadelaraza.org
www.galeriadelaraza.org

GLBT Historical Society fosters the recovery, preservation, presentation and understanding of lesbian, bisexual, transgender and gay culture through exhibits, an oral history project, public readings and other events.
\$44,000
657 Mission Street, Suite 300
San Francisco, CA 94105
(415.777.5455
tpaul@glbthistory.org
www.glbthistory.org

Museo ItaloAmericano researches and displays artwork of all media by Italian and Italian American artists.
\$43,000
Fort Mason Center, Bldg. C
San Francisco, CA 94123
415.673.2200
museo@sbcglobal.net
www.museoitaloamericano.org

Museum of Craft and Folk Art exhibits contemporary American craft and folk art of cultures from around the world.
\$53,000
51 Yerba Buena Lane
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.227.4888
keilertsen@mocfa.org
www.mocfa.org

Museum of Performance & Design, formerly the San Francisco Performing Arts Library & Museum (sfpalm) is devoted to the celebration of the performing arts and theatrical design and archives the Bay Area's performing arts legacy. Funds support public exhibitions and lecture series.
\$53,000
401 Van Ness Avenue
Veterans Building, 4th Floor
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.255.4800
info@sfpalm.org
www.sfpalm.org

National Japanese American Historical Society is dedicated to the preservation, promotion, and dissemination of materials related to the history and culture of Japanese Americans.
\$24,900
1684 Post Street
San Francisco, CA 94115
415.921.5007
njahs@njahs.org
www.njahs.org

Precita Eyes Mural Arts Center sponsors weekly mural walks throughout the Mission, the annual Mural Awareness Week and gallery exhibitions.
\$45,000
2981 24th Street
San Francisco, CA 94110
415.285.2287
pem@precitaeyes.org
www.precitaeyes.org

"It is impossible for ideas to compete in the marketplace if no forum for their presentation is provided or available."

Thomas Mann

San Francisco Art Institute teaches and supports West Coast trends in all arts from painting to video. GFTA support is for arts exhibitions and visitor-oriented programming.
\$82,000
800 Chestnut Street
San Francisco, CA 94133
415.749.4549
president@sfaei.edu
www.sfaei.edu

San Francisco Camerawork presents exhibitions, lectures and workshops on contemporary fine art photography.
\$50,000
657 Mission Street, 2nd Floor
San Francisco, CA 94105
(tel) 415.512.2020
sfcamera@sfcamerawork.org
www.sfcamerawork.org

San Francisco Museum of Craft + Design presents exhibits highlighting the influence of craft and design in today's world.
\$10,000
550 Sutter Street
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.773.0303
info@sfmcd.org
www.sfmcd.org

San Francisco Museum and Historical Society preserves and exhibits artifacts of San Francisco history from the Gold Rush to the present.
\$37,000
P.O. Box 420569
San Francisco, CA 94142
415.537.1105
info@sfhistory.org
www.sfhistory.org

San Francisco Museum of Modern Art organizes various exhibitions, many touring internationally, and is renowned for its collection of German Expressionists, French Fauves, Surrealists and 20th century photographers.
\$492,775
151 Third Street
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.357.4000
amorganr@sfmoma.org
www.sfmoma.org

Southern Exposure provides alternative exhibition space for very large-scale works, installations and performances of Bay Area artists.
\$34,000
417 14th Street, 2nd Floor
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.863.2141
email: soex@soex.org
www.soex.org

Visual Aid: Artists for AIDS Relief assists the work of professional visual artists living with AIDS and other life-threatening illnesses through an integrated body of services. GFTA supports public exhibitions and the Voucher Fund, a regrating program for eligible visual artists.
\$29,000
116 New Montgomery, #690
San Francisco, CA 94105
415.777.8242
visaid@visualaid.org
www.visualaid.org

Annual Celebrations/ Parades

\$590,700

Aloha Festival, an annual two-day celebration, features the traditional and contemporary folk arts of Polynesians, Micronesians and Melanesians.

\$9,100
Pacific Islanders' Cultural Association
1016 Lincoln Boulevard, #5
San Francisco, CA 94129
415.281.0221
info@pica-org.org
www.pica-org.org

California Dragon Boat Association presents the San Francisco International Dragon Boat Festival, the largest such competitive festival in the United States with close to 100 participating teams manning "dragon boats," a tradition that dates back 2,200 years to ancient China.

\$9,000
268 Bush Street, #888
San Francisco, CA 94104
415.378.8858
www.sfdragonboat.com

Carnaval San Francisco/Mission Neighborhood Centers is a two-day Mission District festival of cultural and community groups culminating in a parade, which is considered the largest multicultural outdoor parade/festival on the West Coast.

\$93,500
362 Capp Street
San Francisco, CA 94110
415.206.7747
www.carnavals.com

Castro Street Fair is one of the larger and longest-running street fairs in the City, the event celebrates cultural and sexual diversity each October.

\$10,000
P.O. Box 14405
San Francisco, CA 94114
415.205.7493
board@castrostreetfair.org
www.castrostreetfair.org

Cherry Blossom Festival culminates a two-week celebration held in Japantown every April that offers Japanese arts and cultural exhibits, performances, demonstrations, contests, food and games.

\$44,000
1759 Sutter Street
San Francisco, CA 94115
415.931.6295, x.111
aokmoto1@atokamoto.com
www.nccb.org

Chinese New Year Festival & Parade, an annual celebration in honor of the Lunar New Year, is one of the City's largest and most colorful events.

\$78,000
Chinese Chamber of Commerce
730 Sacramento Street
San Francisco, CA 94108
415.391.9680
info@chineseparade.com
www.chineseparade.com

Cinco de Mayo is an annual event in the City's Mission District that celebrates the historical battle of Puebla in Mexico and features Mexican music, dance, arts, food as well as the infusion of Latin American and Chicano artistry into the local culture.

\$22,500
c/o Mission Neighborhood Centers
362 Capp Street
San Francisco, CA 94110
415.206.7747
sryago@aol.com

Columbus Day Celebration, sponsored by the City's Italian American community, caps a month-long celebration with a parade, a pageant depicting Columbus' landing and the ceremonial blessing of the fishing fleet.

\$43,500
678 Green Street
San Francisco, CA 94133
415.434.1492
info@sfcolumbusday.org
http://sfcolumbusday.org

Comedy Day is a free event held in August at Sharon Meadows in Golden Gate Park, featuring diverse local and national comedians.

\$7,000
1036 Pacheco Street
San Francisco, CA 94116
415.339.8050
info@comedyday.com
www.comedyday.com

El Grito Ceremony presents music and dancing by local and Mexican mariachis and folclórico companies to commemorate Mexican Independence Day.

\$9,100
P.O. Box 40001
San Francisco, CA 94140
415.661.6296

Fiesta on the Hill celebrates Bernal Heights, one of San Francisco's most diverse neighborhoods, with local bands and performing groups in a family-oriented event that also features crafts and ethnic foods.

\$5,000
515 Cortland Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94110
415.206.2140
sshapiro@bhnc.org

Folsom Street Fair, an annual South of Market event, is the largest celebration of alternative lifestyles in the United States.

\$22,000
584 Castro Street, Suite 553
San Francisco, CA 94114
415.861.3247
smmle@folsomstreetfair.com
www.folsomstreetfair.com

Greek Cultural Day Celebration and Parade an event featuring Greek cultural groups, music and food commemorating the establishment of the modern state of Greece.

\$4,500
999 Brotherhood Way
San Francisco, CA 94132
www.hellenicfederation.org

Korean Day Festival and Parade is held yearly in Union Square to preserve Korean culture, unify the diverse and dispersed Korean community in the Bay Area, and share the culture with others.

\$9,000
745 Buchanan Street
San Francisco, CA 94102
(tel) 415.252.1346
www.kacsf.org

Min-Sok Festival, an annual celebration of Korean arts and culture, is produced by the Korean Center.

\$8,100
Korean Center, Inc.
1362 Post Street
San Francisco, CA 94109
415.441.1881
info@koreannet.org
www.koreannet.org

Nihonmachi Street Fair, a two-day festival in Japantown, features cultural exhibitions, performances, food, crafts and information on social services.

\$16,000
P.O. Box 15099
San Francisco, CA 94115-5099
415.771.9861
mail@nihonmachistreetfair.org
www.nihonmachistreetfair.org

Parol Lantern Festival and Parade is an annual event that features the Parol, lanterns shaped like a five-pointed star that symbolizes hope and guidance to the Filipino people. The festival is produced by the Filipino American Development Foundation.

\$5,000
1010 Mission Street
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.348.8042
www.bayanihancc.org

Pisthan is an annual outdoor festival celebrating Filipino heritage and features a parade as well as performances, crafts, exhibitions and ethnic foods.

\$16,400
965 Mission Street, #518
San Francisco, CA 94103
415.348.8714

Russian Festival, presented by the Russian Center of San Francisco, is a two-day event celebrating the diversity of Russian culture through performances, crafts demonstrations, food and delicacies.

\$8,300
2450 Sutter Street
San Francisco, CA 94115
415.921.7631
www.russiancentersf.com

St. Patrick's Day Parade, one of the City's oldest and largest parades, features Bay Area bands, drill teams and floats.

\$22,400
United Irish Societies of San Francisco
P.O. Box 16026
San Francisco, CA 94116
415.665.4595
info@uissf.org
www.uissf.org

Samoan Flag Day celebrates American Samoa's annexation to the U.S. with traditional arts, sports contests and ethnic food.

\$11,100
P.O. Box 12549
San Francisco, CA 94112
415.338.7239
malejr@sfsu.edu

San Francisco Chinatown Autumn Moon Festival, a two-day festival celebrated in Chinatown every September, features authentic Chinese arts, crafts, performances and food.

\$24,500
667 Grant Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94108
415.982.6306
info@moonfestival.org
www.moonfestival.org

San Francisco Dyke March is the largest annual lesbian event in the world, held on the evening before the LGBT Pride Parade in July. GFTA supports the cultural event at Dolores Park that features women poets, comedienne, singers and local all-female bands.

\$5,000
934 Brannan Street
San Francisco, CA 94103
(tel) 415.241.8882
info@dykemarch.org
www.dykemarch.org

San Francisco Juneteenth Festival is an annual event celebrating Emancipation and African American culture.

\$20,200
762 Fulton Street, 3rd Floor
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.931.2729
sfjuneteenth@sbcglobal.net
www.sfuneteenth.org

San Francisco Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Pride Parade includes more than 200 bands, floats and contingents celebrating the full expression of LGBT culture.

\$77,200
1800 Market Street, #31
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.864.0831
info@sfpride.org
www.sfpride.org

Vietnamese Lunar New Year, also known as Tet, is an annual event held in San Francisco's Tenderloin District to mark the arrival of the lunar new year and to celebrate the Vietnamese and Southeast Asian communities.

\$10,700
766 Geary Street
San Francisco, CA 94109
415.351.1038
info@vietccsf.org
www.vietccsf.org

Tourist-Support Organizations

\$90,400

City Guides conducts free, year-round walking tours of the City's culturally diverse neighborhoods.

\$12,000
Main Library, 100 Larkin Street
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.557.4266
tours@sfcityguides.org
www.sfcityguides.org

KPOO-FM Radio is the City's only African American-controlled radio station. Activities partially supported by GFTA include promotional interviews with local artists, dramatic readings and live broadcast of Board of Supervisors meetings.

\$25,000
P.O. Box 423030
San Francisco, CA 94142
415.346.5373
info@kpoo.com
www.kpoo.org

San Francisco Architectural Heritage conducts tours of the Haas-Lilienthal House and Heritage Walks.

\$32,000
2007 Franklin Street
San Francisco, CA 94109
415.441.3000
info@sferitage.org
www.sferitage.org

USO of Northern California operates a lounge at the San Francisco International Airport and a center in downtown San Francisco that serve as resources for military visitors and their families.

\$21,400
Mezzanine Level/South Terminal
San Francisco International Airport
San Francisco, CA 94128
650.761.4611
usonc@aol.com
www.uso-center.org

Cultural Centers

\$441,229

Supports operations, programming and maintenance of the four City-owned cultural centers: Bayview Opera House Ruth Williams Memorial Theater, African American Art and Culture Complex, South of Market Cultural Center and Mission Cultural Center for Latino Arts.

Civic Events

\$366,585

Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Observance, the largest such observance on the West Coast, is a Northern California regional effort featuring a freedom train, march and ceremonies at Yerba Buena Gardens.

\$20,000
330 Ellis Street #407
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.674.6000
mlk2jkg@yahoo.com
www.norcalmlk.org

Memorial Day Ceremony includes services at Lands End, St. Mary's Square and the National Cemetery at the Presidio.

\$10,000
Veterans War Memorial Building
401 Van Ness Avenue, Room 127
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.982.3417

Veterans Day Parade is a traditional event presented by the Disabled American Veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion.

\$13,500
Veterans War Memorial Building
401 Van Ness Avenue, Room 127
San Francisco, CA 94102
415.982.3417

"Always leave enough time in your life to do something that makes you happy, satisfied, even joyous. That has more of an effect on economic well-being than any other single factor."

Paul Hawken

Voluntary Arts Contribution Fund (VACF)

Established in 1984, the VACF is an innovative program that allows San Francisco property taxpayers and others to add a tax-deductible contribution to their biannual tax payments. Since GFTA began administering the program in 1984, more than \$1,000,000 has been disbursed to arts organizations for small capital improvements, facilities maintenance and equipment acquisition. The next cycle of VACF grants will take place in FY 2009/10.

San Francisco arts and cultural organizations that received 2007/2008 VACF funding are as follows:

<u>Organization Name</u>	<u>Grant Amount</u>	<u>Grant Plan</u>
Last Planet Theatre	\$5,000.00	To purchase 18 fire doors for performance space
CounterPULSE	\$5,000.00	To implement necessary power safety upgrades to theatrical lighting system.
San Francisco Girls Chorus	\$1,400.00	To purchase security equipment for Kanbar Performing Arts Center
Phoenix Arts Association Theatre/Gallery	\$4,200.00	To purchase fireproofed curtains and update curtains, lighting and sound equipment
Scott Wells & Dancers	\$4,900.00	To purchase a ladder, exhaust fan and update lighting and exterior signage
Circus Center	\$5,000.00	To upgrade lighting and purchase curtains, portable bleachers and a portable dance studio barre
Root Division	\$3,900.00	To upgrade the facility and purchase administrative equipment
Dance Brigade	\$3,800.00	To purchase new fire safe curtains and seating.
Footloose Dance Co.	\$5,000.00	To purchase fire safety items and lighting equipment
Theatre of Yugen	\$3,800.00	To correct fire/safety code violations in order to obtain a Place of Assembly Permit.
Children United by Experience	\$4,000.00	To purchase of circus training equipment for youth
Mary Sano Studio of Duncan Dancing	\$4,000.00	To purchase window coverings and upgrade rehearsal studio lighting
Pink Palace	\$4,000.00	To soundproof the garage converted rehearsal space.
Slavonic Cultural Center	\$4,000.00	To repair the leaking roof
Traveling Jewish Theatre	\$2,500.00	To purchase a marley floor and upgrade the waste management system
Artists Television Access	\$1,700.00	To purchase new seating.
BRAVA! for Women in the Arts	\$3,200.00	To purchase and install audio equipment
Chrysalis Foundation	\$3,200.00	To install lighting systems in the group's music rehearsal/performance studio
City Space	\$1,900.00	To purchase of a projector and generator
EXIT Theatre	\$1,900.00	To purchase lighting dimmers
Friends of...	\$3,500.00	To purchase a digital sound console
Galeria de la Raza	\$3,100.00	To secure Studio 24 fine arts and computer storage area and to refurbish bathroom.
Intersection for the Arts	\$3,200.00	To purchase and install new main doors
Jewish Community Center of San Francisco	\$2,700.00	To purchase portable stage monitors
Kearny Street Workshop	\$1,900.00	To purchase of improvements to performance and exhibiton space
LINES Ballet	\$3,200.00	To install Marley flooring in a dance studio at the San Francisco Dance Center

Voluntary Arts Contribution Fund (VACF) —Continued

<u>Organization Name</u>	<u>Grant Amount</u>	<u>Grant Plan</u>
Musae	\$.2,300.00	To secure new office space and purchase office equipment
Museo ItaloAmericano	\$.2,600.00	To upgrade its exhibition lighting.
New Langton Arts	\$.3,200.00	To upgrade the lighting system and improve security in the performance space.
NextArts	\$.2,600.00	To purchase plastic luminaria
OMI International Participation Project	\$.1,000.00	To purchase of a computer and printer/fax machine
Out of site: Center for Arts Education	\$.2,900.00	To purchase computer, video and kitchen equipment
Photo Alliance	\$.2,600.00	To purchase of technical equipment, computer and software
Ruby's Clay Studio and Gallery	\$.3,200.00	To improve the efficiency and safety of Ruby's Clay Studio
San Francisco Academy Orchestra	\$.2,100.00	To purchase a multifunction mono laser printer and toner cartridge
Sixth Street Photography Workshop	\$.3,200.00	To purchase of photo equipment and related technology hardware
Star Mountain Art	\$.3,200.00	To purchase digital equipment
Theatre Bay Area	\$.3,200.00	To construct an awning to the Union Square Tix Booth
Zaccho Dance Theatre	\$.3,200.00	To build a multipurpose loft for storage in their current 5,000 sq. ft facility
ZYZZYVA (A.R.S. Brevis)	\$.3,200.00	To purchase a new computer and software to improve the administration of the organization.

“The San Francisco Hotel Tax Fund remains a model for local arts agencies seeking to initiate a hotel/motel tax in their cities, and it is an example of a fully mature, fully institutionalized use of the hotel tax.”

Jim Backas, in a report to
the National Endowment for the Arts

Grants for the Arts Programs —Continued

Arts and Tourism—A Partnership with the San Francisco Convention and Visitors Bureau

Grants for the Arts established the first Arts and Tourism Program (A&T) in the United States in 1989 with the goal of promoting San Francisco as a cultural destination to travel industry professionals, including tour wholesalers, travel agents, convention planners and others. In 1991 the San Francisco Convention and Visitors Bureau (SFCVB) became the first agency to incorporate an Arts and Tourism office as a crucial part of its marketing to visitors and business travelers. Since then, the Arts and Tourism program has worked to increase visitor attendance at arts events by designing programs that highlight all the facets of San Francisco's thriving cultural community. In 2007, A&T worked with the Yerba Buena Neighborhood Cultural Consortium to promote the first-ever Yerba Buena Museum FREE4ALL. Held on November 10th, this event attracted over 28,000 people to 12 cultural institutions in the neighborhood.

Arts and Tourism also works closely with local arts and cultural organizations informing them how to best use the services offered by the SFCVB. One of the services offered has been a series of free education PR seminars created especially for the arts community.

Also helping visitors experience and appreciate San Francisco's famous diversity is "Diverse Destinations" (www.destinationssf.com), a series of self-guided tour itineraries that immerse the visitor in the best of San Francisco's culture, ethnic heritage and arts.

San Francisco Arts Monthly

A project of Grants for the Arts, San Francisco Arts Monthly is an outreach publication to San Francisco visitors. It is provided free to hotel guests and concierges and is distributed in theater lobbies, Moscone Center, restaurants and cafes, bookstores and other targeted locations in San Francisco.

According to a study by Dance USA, commissioned by the Bay Area foundation community.

"Arts Monthly has been a huge success in building audiences. This publication, started by Grants for the Arts as a tool for concierges, lists arts events for each month. When editors arranged to insert the publication in the New York Times in the first Sunday of each month artists started advertising in it, the perception was that the artists

were in the New York Times. The cost of producing it is relatively low. And it raised the visibility and credibility of dance."

SFArts.org

How do artists and audiences take advantage of Web technology and the Internet to promote the arts in San Francisco? This has been the topic of discussion by Grants for the Arts and its constituent groups for a number of years. As part of GFTA's mandate, linking its activities to attract visitors to San Francisco, GFTA led the way in creating a searchable clutter-free database of San Francisco arts offerings on the web with the 2001 launch of SFArts.org. This online calendar is a widespread and indispensable tool for anyone, anywhere who is interested in the arts in San Francisco.



Organizations that receive GFTA support are listed on the site. Each group is invited to create a reciprocal link to SFArts.org so that visitors can go directly to an arts group's Web site and get more details about program offerings.

Thousands of promotional cards that feature the Web address are distributed through the San Francisco Convention and Visitors Bureau, on-site at various locations in San Francisco as well as online to individuals and groups interested in visiting the City. SFArts.org bookmarks are also placed at the California State Fair, in theater lobbies, bookshops and cafes or stuffed into programs and newsletters. Radio and print ads, BART signs and more have promoted the site, which is now ranked No. 1 on most of the country's top search engines.

Grants for the Arts Programs —Continued

Nonrecurring Events Fund

This program supports San Francisco nonprofit arts organizations that have extraordinary, one-time only promotional costs for events such as first-time festivals or celebrations, significant anniversaries, new venues, or programs that provide groups with a critical boost.

Preference is given to groups not currently receiving GFTA support through the regular funding cycle though current grantees with major anniversaries or collaborations benefiting several groups are eligible to apply.

Funds partially subsidize promotional costs related to publicity, consultants, materials, and advertisements. Grants are based on available funds and eligibility is limited to once in any two consecutive fiscal years. In general, an award from this fund precludes general operating support in the following fiscal year.

Examples include the Sesquicentennial of the California Gold Rush, the first Afro-Solo Festival, a 25th anniversary public event and the launching of the half-price ticket booth at Union Square.

Special Event Insurance

The City requires an insurance policy for some of the most important and exciting cultural celebrations and parades that are presented annually on the streets and plazas of San Francisco. Although this is not all the insurance a group might need, Grants for the Arts does underwrite the cost of specific insurance coverage for groups that present events on public streets and venues in San Francisco.

Handbook for Arts Organizations

Non Profit Know How – A Handbook for Successful Arts and Other Community Organizations

Grants for the Arts has produced and distributes a free 50-page resource book that can serve as a basic primer or tool for any nonprofit organization. Editorial includes checklists that help in the planning of a performance or special event (with accounting and financial management forms) and information about how to develop an audience, apply for grants, find a consultant and do marketing and promotion. There is also information about how to get permits from the City, obtain short-term loan assistance, prepare for a financial audit, acquire legal information and more.

Special Initiatives

From time to time Grants for the Arts is able to respond to the community through the use of Special Initiatives. The initiative recognizes one-time only events, or is developed to address specific needs during a particular time. There are no current initiatives underway. Here are some examples of initiatives that have been created by GFTA to assist the arts community.

- Capital Expenditures Initiative was designed to help community-based arts organizations acquire permanent, technical and movable equipment for shared use.
- Collaboration Initiative was developed to foster and encourage organic, effective collaborations and resource sharing among arts organizations.
- Facilities Initiative responded to the rental space crisis of the past few years. It supported efforts to maximize the usefulness and accessibility of the City's existing arts facilities. Further, it worked to strengthen the internal capacity of organizations that manage multi-use spaces and provided assistance in securing an adequate supply of new arts space that is protected from market sources.

Other programs

Nonprofit Performing Arts Loan Program—(currently under review) Grants for the Arts participates in this collaborative program that also involves foundations and other City agencies. The Nonprofit Performing Arts Loan Program is designed to stabilize and support arts organizations. Over the years, the program has provided more than 20 short and long-term low-interest loans, totaling more than \$2 million to support facilities acquisition and renovations.