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## **PHILADELPHIA CULTURAL FUND TO AWARD \$2.68M TO 339 ARTS ORGANIZATIONS ACROSS THE CITY**

*Largest number of grants in Fund's history;*

*PHILADANCO! and Councilmember Blondell Reynolds Brown to be honored at City Hall ceremonies*

PHILADELPHIA—(March 26, 2019)—On March 26 and 27 at City Hall, The Philadelphia Cultural Fund will announce the recipients of its 2019 Art & Culture Grants. The awards total \$2.68 million and will provide 339 organizations with operating funds. Resourced through the City budget, the Cultural Fund supports the largest and broadest community of arts and cultural organizations in Philadelphia. This year's grantee list is the largest in its 28-year history and a 19 percent increase since 2016.

Recipients range from the small all-volunteer Lest We Forget Slavery Museum based in Germantown that utilizes its rare, authentic-period artifacts to educate and create awareness of the impact of slavery and its continued effect on American society overall to the Franklin Institute, one of the oldest and premier centers of science education and development in the country. Forty-seven percent of grantees have budgets of less than \$150,000; of those most have few, if any, paid staff. "In many cases, the Philadelphia Cultural Fund is literally the fuel keeping the lights on so that our most creative residents can do their best work," said Philadelphia Cultural Fund executive director Barbara J. Silzle. Twenty-eight organizations are first-time applicants. "Because we assist so many grassroots organizations, our grants help keep the 'culture' of culture growing in Philadelphia."

Grant recipients are located in every City Council district. Those located in Council Districts 2, 3, 5, 7, 9, and 10 will attend the March 26 ceremony, and those in Districts 1, 4, 6, and 8 will attend on March 27. The Mayor, City Council members and other city officials will be in attendance.

"It's the work of organizations like the Philadelphia Cultural Fund that helps distinguish Philadelphia as a place of diversity of expression and excitement," Mayor Jim Kenney stated. "I'm proud that in addition to benefitting established Center City institutions, the City can meaningfully support arts and culture in neighborhoods from Mayfair to South Philadelphia and Cobbs Creek to Pennsport."

At the March 26 ceremony, the Cultural Fund also will present the Councilman David Cohen Award for 2019 to PHILADANCO!, The Philadelphia Dance Company. The non-cash award recognizes an arts and culture organization that has demonstrated an outstanding commitment to social and economic justice through its mission, programming, art-related work product, or services offered. "The power of the arts to bring people together is something I've seen in my district and across the city," stated Council President Darrell L. Clarke. "The late David Cohen understood that well, and PHILADANCO! and its leader and national treasure Joan Myers Brown are such deserving recipients of this award."

“I called my company The Philadelphia Dance Company – PHILADANCO! – because I wanted to represent my city to the world, but I’m so humbled to accept for this hometown award,” said Founder/Executive Artistic Director Joan Myers Brown.

At the March 27 event, the Cultural Fund will recognize Councilmember-at-Large Blondell Reynolds Brown for her long support of the arts and culture community through legislation and board and community service.

Community Impact is the most heavily weighted element of evaluating applicants. Cultural Fund grantees forge authentic ties with their communities through their programming; more than 50 percent serve Philadelphia’s pre-K and school-age children, both in and out of school. For example, Commonwealth Youth Choirs’ “Find Your Instrument” vocal arts program provides the only music program offered in several of its partner schools.

The 339 grants resulted from a peer review process, featuring review panels comprised of more than 110 volunteers of many arts professions, including artists, administrators, and educators. The panels evaluated and scored grant applications and conducted site visits. Applicants are encouraged to receive their panel’s anonymous feedback from Cultural Fund staff to strengthen the organization and their future grant applications.

“Besides the number of grants, the breadth of artforms and practices and the range of communities served demonstrate that the arts are thriving across Philadelphia,” noted Silzle. “I want to encourage everyone to further support these organizations with your actions. Go to that gallery, see that play or performance, take a class, volunteer and make a financial contribution. Part of what we at the Cultural Fund underwrite is making these experiences accessible. Make art and culture part of your life.”

**About the Philadelphia Cultural Fund**

Established in 1991 to support and enhance the cultural life and vitality of the City of Philadelphia and its residents, the Philadelphia Cultural Fund, through the combined efforts of the Philadelphia City Council and the Mayor, promotes arts and culture as engines of social, educational and economic development and has played a key stabilizing role for numerous organizations by providing much-needed general operating funding. Learn more at [www.philaculturalfund.org](http://www.philaculturalfund.org).

**PHILADELPHIA CULTURAL FUND 2019 ART & CULTURE GRANTEES, A-Z**

<b>Organization Name</b>	<b>Grant Amount</b>	<b>Primary Zip</b>
11th Hour Theatre Company	\$ 7,392	19146
1807 & Friends, Inc.	\$ 8,396	19144
1812 Productions	\$ 10,318	19148
Academy of Natural Sciences of Drexel University, The	\$ 11,005	19103

Academy of Vocal Arts	\$ 11,015	19103
Advocate Center for Culture and Education, The	\$ 3,580	19121
African Cultural Alliance of North America Inc. ( ACANA )	\$ 6,851	19143
Al-Bustan Seeds of Culture	\$ 11,483	19143
Allens Lane Art Center	\$ 8,059	19119
Almanac Dance Circus Theatre	\$ 6,958	19122
American Composers Forum, Philadelphia Chapter	\$ 12,499	19149
American Philosophical Society	\$ 4,287	19106
American Swedish Historical Museum	\$ 10,340	19145
Anna Crusis Women's Choir	\$ 10,053	19102
Anne-Marie Mulgrew and Dancers Company	\$ 8,004	19148
Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts	\$ 8,521	19104
APIARY Magazine	\$ 3,350	19107
Applied Mechanics	\$ 10,167	19143
Arcana New Music Ensemble	\$ 6,484	19104
ArcheDream for Humankind	\$ 7,906	19143
Arden Theatre Company	\$ 12,636	19106
Ars Nova Workshop	\$ 10,520	19148
Art Dept., The	\$ 3,069	19125
Art Sanctuary	\$ 9,063	19146
Art Sphere Inc.	\$ 8,347	19148
Artblog, The	\$ 9,802	19102
Arthur Ross Gallery	\$ 7,633	19104
Artistas y Musicos Latino Americanos (AMLA)	\$ 10,527	19140
ArtistYear	\$ 11,651	19103
Art-Reach	\$ 10,220	19102
Arts + Business Council of Greater Philadelphia, The	\$ 6,837	19102
Arts in School Collaborative, dba Dancing Classrooms Philly	\$ 8,910	19103
ArtWell	\$ 10,987	19122
ARTZ Philadelphia	\$ 9,843	19107
ASAP/After School Activities Partnerships	\$ 10,014	19102
Asian Americans United	\$ 12,000	19123
Asian Arts Initiative	\$ 11,912	19107
Association for Public Art (aPA)	\$ 11,546	19102
Astral Artists	\$ 10,264	19102
Athenaeum of Philadelphia, The	\$ 9,420	19106
Automatic Arts	\$ 1,243	19119
Awbury Arboretum Association, Inc.	\$ 3,498	19138
Azuka Theatre	\$ 8,768	19103
Bach Festival of Philadelphia	\$ 8,770	19103
Bainbridge House, Inc	\$ 6,555	19146
BalletX	\$ 11,518	19146

Barnes Foundation	\$ 10,824	19130
Beacon Theatre Productions	\$ 1,040	19119
Bearded Ladies Cabaret, The	\$ 7,832	19104
Berserker Residents, The	\$ 7,667	19147
Best Day of My Life So Far, The	\$ 757	19107
Big Picture Alliance	\$ 9,524	19144
Black Pearl Chamber Orchestra	\$ 10,584	19102
Bowerbird	\$ 4,485	19139
Brandywine Workshop and Archives	\$ 7,892	19146
Broad Street Review	\$ 6,323	19107
BuildaBridge International	\$ 7,368	19144
Bushfire Theatre of Performing Arts	\$ 6,904	19139
Cardell Dance Theater	\$ 7,118	19130
Caribbean Community in Philadelphia	\$ 718	19107
Caribbean Festival & Cultural Org. of PA	\$ 7,107	19131
Carpenters' Company of the City and County of Philadelphia, The	\$ 4,739	19106
Casa de Duende	\$ 594	19107
Center for Architecture and Design	\$ 5,022	19107
Center for Art in Wood, Inc., The	\$ 8,334	19106
Center for Emerging Visual Artists, The	\$ 10,938	19103
Center for Grieving Children, The	\$ 2,150	19129
Center in the Park	\$ 7,894	19144
Centro Nueva Creacion	\$ 10,414	19140
Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia	\$ 8,482	19119
Chestnut Street Singers	\$ 3,118	19103
Chinese American Women Sisterhood Society of Philadelphia	\$ 7,081	19107
Choral Arts Philadelphia, The	\$ 7,698	19103
Christ Church Preservation Trust	\$ 10,583	19144
cineSPEAK	\$ 842	19107
Clay Studio, The	\$ 10,617	19106
Cleaver Magazine	\$ 5,732	19118
Cliveden of the National Trust	\$ 9,054	19144
Collaborative Cataloging Japan	\$ 3,112	19144
Commonwealth Youthchoirs	\$ 9,470	19144
Community Education Center	\$ 8,618	19104
Concert Operetta Theater	\$ 4,174	19145
Concord School House and Upper Burying Ground of Germantown, The	\$ 6,308	19144
Conservation Center for Art and Historic Artifacts	\$ 11,654	19103
COSACOSA art at large, Inc.	\$ 10,892	19127
CraftNOW Philadelphia	\$ 9,023	19102
Crossing, The	\$ 10,976	19118
Crossroads Music	\$ 8,856	19143

CultureWorks Greater Philadelphia	\$ 9,142	19107
Curio Theatre Company	\$ 11,242	19143
Curtis Institute of Music	\$ 10,725	19103
Da Vinci Art Alliance	\$ 8,091	19147
Dance Iquail	\$ 8,426	19104
Dancefusion	\$ 7,410	19104
Danse4Nia Repertory Ensemble	\$ 6,856	19144
Dehkontee Artists Theatre, Inc.	\$ 3,296	19143
Directors Gathering (DG)	\$ 7,021	19129
Dolce Suono Ensemble	\$ 10,731	19103
Dornsife Center for Neighborhood Partnerships	\$ 1,729	19104
Eastern State Penitentiary Historic Site, Inc.	\$ 9,229	19130
Ebenezer Maxwell Mansion	\$ 8,222	19144
EgoPo Classic Theater	\$ 9,760	19147
Eleone Dance Theatre	\$ 10,525	19145
Elfreths Alley Association, Inc.	\$ 7,226	19106
Enchantment Theatre Company	\$ 8,243	19110
Encore Series Inc. d/b/a The Philly POPS	\$ 5,633	19102
Fabric Workshop and Museum, The	\$ 9,353	19107
Fairmount Park Conservancy	\$ 6,232	19103
fidget	\$ 5,229	19122
Fire Museum Presents	\$ 2,057	19125
First Person Arts	\$ 10,098	19123
Fleisher Art Memorial	\$ 12,786	19147
Fort Mifflin on the Delaware	\$ 7,806	19153
Franklin Institute	\$ 13,843	19103
Free Library of Philadelphia Foundation	\$ 9,611	19103
Friends of Laurel Hill Cemetery	\$ 5,927	19132
FringeArts	\$ 8,893	19106
Galleries at Moore College of Art and Design, The	\$ 6,575	19103
Georgia E. Gregory Interdenominational School of Music	\$ 9,097	19132
German Society of Pennsylvania, The	\$ 7,646	19123
Gershman Y dba The Gershman Philadelphia Jewish Film Festival, The	\$ 7,961	19106
Girls Rock Philly	\$ 10,822	19122
Glen Foerd Conservation Corporation	\$ 8,020	19114
Greater Philadelphia Cultural Alliance	\$ 11,812	19107
Group Motion Multi Media Dance Theater	\$ 7,295	19104
G-town Radio	\$ 5,379	19144
Halide Project, The	\$ 4,281	19122
Head & The Hand Workshop, The	\$ 5,281	19107
Headlong Dance Theater	\$ 8,856	19146
Hidden City Philadelphia	\$ 10,098	19107

Historic Fair Hill	\$ 11,235	19133
Historic Germantown	\$ 10,699	19104
Historic RittenhouseTown	\$ 7,661	19144
Historical Society of Frankford, The	\$ 3,924	19124
Historical Society of Pennsylvania, The	\$ 8,390	19107
Idiopathic Ridiculopathy Consortium	\$ 6,930	19147
Idiosyncrazy Productions, LLC	\$ 7,182	19143
iMPeRFECT Gallery	\$ 7,783	19144
Independence Seaport Museum	\$ 10,383	19106
Inis Nua Theatre Company	\$ 7,406	19103
InLiquid	\$ 9,111	19122
Institute of Contemporary Art at the University of Pennsylvania	\$ 10,350	19104
Institute on Disabilities, Temple University	\$ 10,871	19122
InterAct Theatre Company	\$ 8,364	19102
Intercultural Journeys	\$ 10,764	19143
International Association of Performing Arts for Young People, Inc.	\$ 7,991	19107
International Ballet Exchange	\$ 10,284	19144
International House Philadelphia, Inc.	\$ 4,298	19104
Irish Heritage Theatre, The	\$ 6,653	19130
Islamic Cultural Preservation & Info Council/New Africa Center	\$ 10,163	19104
Japan America Society of Greater Philadelphia	\$ 8,269	19131
Jazz Bridge Project	\$ 5,516	19127
Jazz Lives Philadelphia	\$ 1,367	19130
Jazz Orchestra of Philadelphia	\$ 6,313	19107
Jeanne Ruddy Dance, dba Performance Garage	\$ 10,944	19130
John Bartram Association (aka Bartram's Garden)	\$ 10,967	19143
Johnson House Historic Site, Inc.	\$ 10,485	19144
Juniper Productions	\$ 4,381	19107
JUNK	\$ 7,755	19146
Just Act	\$ 8,254	19144
Kaleid Theatre	\$ 2,372	19129
Kama-Sahlor Group, The	\$ 5,354	19154
Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts	\$ 9,123	19102
Koresh Dance Company	\$ 10,424	19103
Kulu Mele African Dance & Drum Ensemble	\$ 7,229	19134
Kun-Yang Lin/Dancers	\$ 11,215	19147
KyoDaiko Taiko Drummers	\$ 7,119	19131
La Salle University Art Museum	\$ 9,814	19141
Lady Hoofers Tap Ensemble, The	\$ 5,349	19145
Lantern Theater Company	\$ 11,479	19107
Laos In The House	\$ 1,652	19107
Leah Stein Dance Company	\$ 9,571	19148

Lest We Forget Slavery Museum	\$ 7,092	19144
Lightning Rod Special	\$ 3,611	19145
Lil Filmmakers Inc.	\$ 2,375	19104
LiveConnections	\$ 9,491	19104
Lyra Society	\$ 9,006	19123
Lyric Fest	\$ 10,999	19119
MacGuffin Theatre & Film Company	\$ 7,422	19103
Mamadele Foundation	\$ 9,706	19144
Manayunk Art Center - DBA Manayunk-Roxborough Art Center	\$ 7,964	19128
Mascher Space Cooperative	\$ 8,034	19122
Mauckingbird Theatre Company	\$ 9,968	19118
Media Mobilizing Project	\$ 4,817	19143
Mendelssohn Club of Philadelphia	\$ 11,460	19102
Mexican Cultural Center	\$ 10,580	19106
Mighty Writers	\$ 10,625	19146
Moonstone	\$ 7,273	19107
Mt. Airy Art Garage	\$ 9,688	19119
Multicultural Arts Exchange	\$ 6,521	19115
Musicopia	\$ 9,348	19103
Mutya Philippine Dance Company	\$ 5,711	19106
Naked Stark, The	\$ 5,073	19143
Nashirah:The Jewish Chorale of Greater Philadelphia	\$ 7,521	19110
National Liberty Museum	\$ 5,197	19106
National Museum of American Jewish History	\$ 9,431	19106
Network for New Music	\$ 10,454	19119
New Paradise Laboratories	\$ 9,868	19130
NextMove Dance	\$ 6,938	19137
Nichole Canuso Dance Company	\$ 10,215	19145
Ninth Planet	\$ 6,539	19147
Norris Square Neighborhood Project	\$ 7,606	19122
Olney Culture Lab	\$ 3,965	19107
Onyx Valley	\$ 4,556	19107
Opera Philadelphia	\$ 11,649	19102
Orchestra 2001	\$ 8,883	19106
Painted Bride Art Center	\$ 7,909	19106
Partners for Sacred Places	\$ 8,133	19103
Pasion y Arte Inc.	\$ 9,226	19151
Penn Museum	\$ 9,987	19104
Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts	\$ 11,793	19102
Pennsylvania Ballet Association	\$ 7,782	19110
Philadelphia Artists' Collective	\$ 11,374	19148
Philadelphia Arts in Education Partnership	\$ 11,418	19130

Philadelphia Asian American Film and Filmmakers	\$ 9,402	19107
Philadelphia Asian Performing Artists	\$ 1,560	19104
Philadelphia Boys Choir & Chorale	\$ 9,412	19123
Philadelphia Chamber Ensemble, The	\$ 5,816	19106
Philadelphia Chamber Music Society	\$ 10,563	19102
Barbershop Harmony Society, Philadelphia Chapter	\$ 5,218	19115
Philadelphia Chinese Opera Society, Inc.	\$ 10,232	19107
Philadelphia Clef Club of Jazz and Performing Arts	\$ 9,872	19146
Philadelphia Contemporary	\$ 7,906	19123
Philadelphia Dance Company (PHILADANCO!), The	\$ 7,855	19104
Philadelphia Dance Projects	\$ 7,225	19104
Philadelphia Film Society	\$ 7,245	19102
Philadelphia Folklore Project	\$ 9,908	19143
Philadelphia Freedom Band Inc.	\$ 3,459	19107
Philadelphia Gay Men's Chorus Inc	\$ 8,904	19103
Philadelphia Guild of Handweavers, The	\$ 6,090	19127
Philadelphia Latino Film Festival	\$ 7,279	19107
Philadelphia Orchestra Association	\$ 9,742	19107
Philadelphia Photo Arts Center	\$ 11,208	19122
PhillyCam (Philadelphia Community Access Media)	\$ 10,268	19106
Philadelphia Regional Arts Consortium	\$ 10,845	19107
Philadelphia Sculptors	\$ 8,763	19107
Philadelphia Shakespeare Theatre, The	\$ 8,145	19134
Philadelphia Sinfonia Association	\$ 7,837	19107
Philadelphia Sketch Club	\$ 6,924	19107
Philadelphia Society for the Preservation of Landmarks (PhilaLandmarks)	\$ 6,209	19106
Philadelphia Stories	\$ 8,330	19148
Philadelphia Theatre Company	\$ 7,269	19107
Philadelphia Voices of Pride	\$ 6,026	19107
Philadelphia Waterborne	\$ 5,613	19107
Philadelphia Women in Film and Television	\$ 2,723	19147
Philadelphia Youth Orchestra	\$ 10,235	19103
Philadelphia's Magic Gardens	\$ 11,740	19147
Philly Bluegrass	\$ 544	19107
Philly Game Mechanics	\$ 806	19107
Philly Pigeon, The	\$ 3,879	19144
Photography Without Borders	\$ 6,275	19123
Piffaro, the Renaissance Band	\$ 10,795	19130
Pig Iron Theatre Company	\$ 9,476	19122
Play On, Philly!	\$ 10,585	19102
PlayPenn	\$ 11,231	19110
Please Touch Museum	\$ 5,276	19131



Portside Arts Center	\$ 9,678	19125
Power Street Theatre Company	\$ 3,020	19107
Preservation Alliance for Greater Philadelphia	\$ 8,259	19103
Print Center, The	\$ 10,953	19103
PRISM Quartet, Inc.	\$ 9,862	19144
Project 440	\$ 7,488	19107
Project Capoeira, Inc.	\$ 9,123	19107
Project Twenty1	\$ 5,643	19106
Public Citizens for Children and Youth	\$ 9,817	19123
Putty Dance Project	\$ 1,343	19136
Quintessence Theatre Group	\$ 7,493	19119
RAIR (Recycled Artist In Residency)	\$ 9,217	19136
Relache, Inc.	\$ 3,042	19130
Renegade Company, The	\$ 1,875	19145
Resource Exchange, The	\$ 10,553	19122
Rock School for Dance Education, The	\$ 4,595	19147
Rock to the Future	\$ 11,082	19122
Rosenbach, The	\$ 10,826	19103
Rough Cut Productions	\$ 4,035	19107
Schuylkill Center for Environmental Education, The	\$ 3,381	19128
Scribe Video Center, Inc.	\$ 10,942	19104
SEAMAAC	\$ 6,264	19148
Second State Press	\$ 9,300	19122
Settlement Music School	\$ 11,505	19147
Shakespeare in Clark Park	\$ 8,274	19104
Shalom, Inc.	\$ 285	19125
Simpatico Theatre	\$ 9,366	19147
Singing City	\$ 11,052	19102
Slought Foundation	\$ 7,881	19104
Smith Memorial Playground and Playhouse	\$ 5,594	19121
Soapbox: Independent Publishing Center, The	\$ 1,253	19143
South Asian American Digital Archive (SAADA)	\$ 10,142	19107
South Street Headhouse District	\$ 3,335	19147
SpArc Services	\$ 8,583	19140
Spells Writing Lab, Inc.	\$ 3,985	19122
Spiral Q Puppet Theater	\$ 11,086	19104
Stagecrafters Theater, The	\$ 9,259	19118
Stenton, NSCDA/PA	\$ 11,265	19140
Studio Incamminati	\$ 7,912	19107
Subcircle	\$ 3,001	19123
Swim Pony Performing Arts	\$ 11,304	19148
Taller Puertorriqueno	\$ 11,281	19133

Tangle Movement Arts	\$ 7,788	19143
Team Sunshine Performance Corporation	\$ 11,614	19148
Tempesta di Mare	\$ 10,971	19147
Temple University Music Preparatory Division	\$ 6,777	19102
Termite TV Collective	\$ 8,168	19125
Theater Encore	\$ 1,067	19152
Theatre Exile	\$ 10,586	19148
Theatre in the X	\$ 1,763	19106
Theatre Philadelphia	\$ 4,945	19106
thINKingDANCE	\$ 2,863	19146
Three Aksha	\$ 9,049	19116
Tiny Dynamite	\$ 9,872	19151
Tiny WPA	\$ 10,287	19104
Tongue & Groove Spontaneous Theater	\$ 2,603	19107
Tribe of Fools	\$ 3,298	19107
Trinity Center for Urban Life	\$ 6,817	19103
Twelve Gates Arts	\$ 7,042	19106
Temple Contemporary/Tyler School of Art	\$ 6,605	19122
University City Arts League	\$ 10,898	19104
Esther Klein Gallery - University City Science Center	\$ 7,252	19104
Urban Creators	\$ 10,182	19133
Usiloquy Dance Designs	\$ 5,889	19125
Variant 6	\$ 658	19121
Village of Arts and Humanities, The	\$ 10,848	19133
Vox Populi	\$ 10,536	19107
Wagner Free Institute of Science	\$ 12,843	19121
Walnut Street Theatre	\$ 8,913	19107
Warrior Writers	\$ 10,378	19107
Warriors of the Wonderful Sound	\$ 4,644	19143
Weathervane Music Organization	\$ 11,288	19125
West Park Cultural Center	\$ 9,338	19131
White Box Theatre	\$ 6,068	19147
WHYY, Inc.	\$ 10,263	19106
Wilma Theater, The	\$ 8,910	19107
Woodlands Trust for Historic Preservation, The	\$ 11,244	19104
Woodmere Art Museum	\$ 11,151	19118
WXPB	\$ 13,106	19104
Wyck Association	\$ 7,968	19144
YallaPunk	\$ 2,106	19107
Yes! And... Collaborative Arts	\$ 10,972	19144
Zoological Society of Philadelphia	\$ 13,280	19104
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