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ARTSFUND DISTRIBUTES \$2.1 MILLION IN GRANTS AND PASSES MILESTONE OF \$100 MILLION GRANTED

Seattle, WA – 63 arts and cultural nonprofits in King and Pierce counties will receive operating support grants totaling \$2,112,900 thanks to ArtsFund’s generous annual campaign donors. With this allocation, ArtsFund surpasses a \$100 million granting milestone – since its founding in 1969, ArtsFund has awarded \$102,254,229 to over 650 arts and cultural nonprofits.

ArtsFund, a Seattle-based nonprofit and the nation’s fifth largest united arts fund, supports the arts through leadership, advocacy, and grant making in order to build a healthy, equitable, and creative Washington. Annual grantmaking, powered by corporate and individual donations, has been central to the organization’s mission since its inception. ArtsFund’s annual allocations grants are distributed as general operating support enabling grant recipients to invest the funds where needed most to advance their missions.

Revenues from ArtsFund’s 51st fundraising drive, which ends on June 30, 2022, support the 2022 grant allocations as well as additional programs and services reaching nearly 150 cultural organizations throughout the Central Puget Sound region.

ArtsFund President & CEO Michael Greer stated, “Our 2022 allocations awards represent a milestone in our grantmaking efforts with over \$100 million granted and the addition of five, key new grantees. These achievements speak to the impact of our history and the promise of our future. We are proud to support this vital community and do our part to improve the quality of life for all through the arts.”

Spotlights on the five groups new to the allocations pool this year are below:

- **Deaf Spotlight** supports, engages, and showcases artists and audiences in cinema, theatre, art, and design inspired by Deaf Culture and the expressive power of Sign Languages through the arts.
- **LANGSTON** is a community-conceived and designed non-profit arts organization with a mission to strengthen and advance the community through Black arts and culture.
- **Path with Art** fosters the restoration of individuals, groups, and society from the effects of trauma through arts engagement and community-building.
- **Red Eagle Soaring** exists to empower Native/First Nations/Indigenous youth in Seattle and King County to express themselves with confidence and clarity through traditional and contemporary performing arts.
- **Totem Star** envisions a more inclusive society where all young people have access to arts education, meaningful relationships, mental health tools, and creative careers.

ArtsFund’s allocations are awarded by a panel of public, private, and corporate grantmaking experts who engage with ArtsFund in a thorough vetting process, evaluating application materials and interviewing the leadership of

arts groups. Groups are evaluated based on their mission, community impact, organizational health, and commitment to equity. The 2022 Allocations Committee Co-chairs are Ellen Ferguson, Trustee of The Hugh and Jane Ferguson Foundation, and Erika Nesholm, Executive Director of the Nesholm Family Foundation.

For more information on ArtsFund’s grant recipients, visit: <http://www.artsfund.org/about-arts-fund/arts-groups-we-support>.

For a list of ArtsFund’s cultural partners, visit <https://www.artsfund.org/culturalpartners>.

For more information about ArtsFund, visit: <http://www.artsfund.org/about>.

2022 ArtsFund Grants

5th Avenue Theatre	\$93,700
ACT Theatre	\$85,935
Artist Trust	\$25,900
ArtsWest.....	\$18,650
Auburn Symphony Orchestra	\$2,625
Bellevue Arts Museum	\$4,000
Book-It Repertory Theatre	\$13,500
Burke Museum	\$19,900
Central District Forum for Arts & Ideas.....	\$9,655
Deaf Spotlight	\$9,135
Early Music Seattle	\$7,105
Earshot Jazz Society.....	\$17,530
Flying House Productions (dba Seattle Choruses)	\$12,000
Frye Art Museum.....	\$21,260
Henry Art Gallery.....	\$71,870
Hugo House	\$14,000
Intiman Theatre.....	\$9,400
Jack Straw Productions.....	\$11,155
LANGSTON	\$13,100
Meany Center for the Performing Arts	\$11,300
MoPOP.....	\$22,300
Museum of Glass.....	\$9,150
National Nordic Museum	\$22,100
Northwest African American Museum	\$11,000
Northwest Film Forum	\$26,585
Northwest Sinfonietta.....	\$4,105
On the Boards.....	\$46,860

Pacific Northwest Ballet	\$169,540
Path with Art	\$14,400
Red Eagle Soaring	\$14,545
Seattle Art Museum	\$175,740
Seattle Arts & Lectures.....	\$10,650
Seattle Chamber Music Society.....	\$25,800
Seattle Children's Theatre	\$66,800
Seattle Opera.....	\$159,740
Seattle Pro Musica.....	\$5,305
Seattle Public Theater	\$2,705
Seattle Rep	\$118,000
Seattle Repertory Jazz Orchestra	\$15,240
Seattle Shakespeare Company.....	\$35,025
Seattle Symphony	\$170,540
Seattle Theatre Group.....	\$66,975
SIFF	\$17,200
Spectrum Dance Theater.....	\$20,000
Symphony Tacoma	\$15,600
Tacoma Art Museum	\$37,400
Tacoma Arts Live	\$63,440
Tacoma Musical Playhouse	\$9,750
Tacoma Opera	\$3,570
Taproot Theatre Company	\$15,400
Three Dollar Bill Cinema.....	\$6,225
Totem Star	\$23,570
Town Hall Seattle.....	\$28,850
Vashon Center for the Arts.....	\$4,500
Velocity Dance Center.....	\$9,520
Vera Project.....	\$10,755
Village Theatre.....	\$86,675
Whim W'Him	\$2,300
Wing Luke Museum of the Asian Pacific American Experience.....	\$60,520
Kreielsheimer Remainder Foundation Grants*	\$65,900
Total 2022 ArtsFund Allocations Grants**	\$2,112,900

*Dollar amounts for allocations recipients of Kreielsheimer Remainder Foundation Grants are included in above totals.

**ArtsFund Plestcheeff Design and Decorative Arts Grants and Youth Arts Opportunity Fund Grants will be awarded later in 2022.

2022 Allocations Committee

Ellen Ferguson, Co-Chair

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About ArtsFund:

ArtsFund supports the arts through leadership, advocacy, and grantmaking in order to build a healthy, equitable, and creative Washington. Founded in 1969, the Seattle-based nonprofit has been building community through the arts for over 52 years. ArtsFund was originally founded to bring corporate and civic leaders together to help establish and sustain our region's arts and cultural institutions. ArtsFund has supported 650 arts and cultural nonprofits with over \$100 million in grants and provided valuable leadership and advocacy. Learn more at artsfund.org.