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**Clackamas County Cultural Coalition Distributes \$25,045  
to 11 Local Grant Recipients**

***New Funding Will Be Used to Support Local Arts, Heritage & Humanities Projects***

The Clackamas County Cultural Coalition in its ninth cycle of grant making awarded a total of \$25,045 to nine arts and culture organizations and two individuals through the Community Cultural Participation Grant program. A total of \$60,231 was requested by Clackamas County grant applicants.

The grant program's purpose is to locally distribute private funds contributed to the Oregon Cultural Trust in support of goals and funding priorities outlined in the Clackamas County Plan for Arts, Heritage and Humanities. This year's priorities included: Creative People and Organizations, Heritage and History, Participation in the Arts, Public Art, K - 12 Education / Lifelong Learning, and Cultural Tourism.

An independent Grant Review Panel was convened to review the 20 applications received.

The 11 applicants and projects recommended for funding (including three first time recipients) are:

<b><u>Applicant / Project Title</u></b>	<b><u>Award</u></b>
<b>Canby Public Library</b> <i>Civil War 150: A Reading and Discussion Series</i>	\$ 2,200.00
<b>Clackamas Community College Foundation for Clackamas Repertory Theatre</b> <i>Harvey</i>	\$ 3,800.00
<b>Clackamas County Historical Society</b> <i>Mertie Stevens Correspondence, Art, &amp; Business Record Preservation Project</i>	\$ 2,400.00
<b>Earth Crusaders</b> <i>Harmony and Art on the Water Series</i>	\$ 1,200.00
<b>Estacada Area Arts Commission</b> <i>Estacada Summer Celebration 2013</i>	\$ 2,500.00
<b>Ledding Library</b>	\$ 2,400.00

*Ledding Cultural Forum*

**Masque Alfresco**

*2013 Summer Park Tour: Lovers' Quarrels by Moliere* \$ 1,300.00

**Oregon Trail Pitchpipers**

*Performing Arts – A cappella Harmony for Clackamas County Schools* \$ 1,745.00

**Jane Reid**

*Estacada on the Clackamas: The Powerhouse Project; North Fork Dam* \$ 1,500.00

**The Art Gym, Marylhurst University**

*Fernanda D'Agostino: The Method of Loci* \$ 3,500.00

The Grant Review Panel was comprised of arts, heritage, humanities and community development professionals including:

**Marjorie Hirsch** – Retired Art Gallery Director, *Archer Gallery, Clark College, Portland, OR*

**Lisa M. Christopher** – Principal at *LMChristopher & Associates, Vancouver, WA*

**Linda Wysong** - Artist and Associate Professor, *Pacific Northwest College of Art, Portland, OR*

**Barbara Steinfeld** – Vice President of Tourism Sales, *Travel Portland, Portland, OR*

Penny Hummel of the Canby Library, past and present grant recipient has this to say: *“We are grateful to the Clackamas County Coalition for making this wonderful program possible and allowing us to leverage the anonymous gift of 1776 books into something that truly enhanced the livability of our small town. We look forward to building on the success of this project with future programming exploring history, art and other humanities topics.”* Cheryl Snow, Executive Director for Clackamas County Arts Alliance and staff to the Cultural Coalition, said: *“The Coalition is delighted to provide support to these well-conceived and thoughtful projects. We especially welcomed the opportunity to fund initiatives by three first-time recipients. All will add significantly to the arts and culture experiences enjoyed by Clackamas residents and visitors.”*

Since its inception in 2005, the Clackamas County Cultural Coalition has provided funding of over \$235,000 to 136 local arts, heritage and humanities projects and needs. Funding is made possible through the Oregon Cultural Trust which is an innovative, statewide private-public program that raises money to support and protect Oregon’s cultural activities and interests. More information is available at [www.clackamasculturalcoalition.org](http://www.clackamasculturalcoalition.org) or [www.culturaltrust.org](http://www.culturaltrust.org).