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**Clackamas County Cultural Coalition Distributes \$40,131  
to 21 Local Grant Recipients**

*Growing the cultural assets of Clackamas County*

The Clackamas County Cultural Coalition completed its fifteenth cycle of giving and awarded a total of \$40,131 in grants to 21 arts, heritage and humanities organizations through the Community Cultural Participation Grant program. A total of \$53,081 was requested by grant applicants.

The grant program’s purpose is to locally distribute funds contributed to the Oregon Cultural Trust in support of goals and funding priorities outlined in the Clackamas County Cultural Plan for Arts, Heritage and Humanities.

This year’s priorities included:

- Increasing how local culture is valued and supported,
- Supporting the creation of, or participation in, cultural projects and activities,
- Stimulating partnerships and collaborations that grow capacities to support assets and remove barriers. We include here partnerships that support cultural tourism,
- Working closely with local governments, businesses, and others to embed local culture in community development, and
- Growing communications capacity for cultural groups, organizations, and artists/creatives.

An independent grant review panel was convened to review the 24 qualified applications received. The 21 applicants and projects recommended for funding (including five first-time recipients) are:

<u><i>Applicant / Project Title</i></u>	<u><i>Award</i></u>
<b>Arts &amp; Technology High School</b> –West Linn/ Wilsonville School District Annual Student Art Show	\$2,500
<b>Baker Cabin Historical Society</b> –Baker Cabin Window Display Conversion	\$721
<b>Chapel Theatre</b> –Second Sundays Winter Performance Series	\$2,400
<b>Chris Haberman Presents</b> –Milwaukie Portable Mural Project	\$1,000
<b>Clackamas County OSU Extension</b> –4-H Latin@ Cultural Arts in the Garden	\$2,500
<b>Clackamas Repertory Theatre</b> –"Queens Girl in the World"	\$2,250
<b>Estacada Area Arts Commission</b> –Estacada Summer Celebration 2019	\$2,500
<b>Estacada Public Library</b> –Hispanic Heritage Month	\$2,500
<b>Estacada Together</b> –Integrating Arts Across Curriculum with Ellen Whyte	\$2,500
<b>Hopkins Demonstration Forest</b> –Mill Douglas Fir floor boards for reconstruction of Molalla Log House	\$1,760

<b>Lakewood Center for the Arts</b> –Lakewood Festival of the Arts Special Exhibit, Origin Stories: Comics and Identity	\$1,000
<b>Masque Alfresco</b> –2019 Summer Park Tour: "The Importance of Being Earnest"	\$2,300
<b>Milwaukie Historical Society / Milwaukie Museum</b> –Milwaukie Kids: Growing Up in the Good Old Days	\$700
<b>North Willamette Valley Friends of Music</b> –Jazz Festival	\$1,500
<b>Rex Putnam Music Boosters</b> –KINGSMEN THUNDER Drum Line needs a P.A.	\$2,500
<b>The Artback</b> –The Longhouse Mural Redux 2019	\$2,500
<b>West Linn Alliance for Inclusive Community</b> –“Reflections: You, Me, Us”	\$500
<b>West Linn Historical Society</b> –West Linn's 12th Annual Willamette Living History Tour	\$2,500
<b>Willamette Falls Symphony</b> –Outreach Concert of Latin American Symphonic Music	\$1,000
<b>Wilsonville Arts &amp; Culture Council (WACC)</b> –Wilsonville Festival of Arts	\$2,500
<b>Youth Music Project</b> –Tuition Assistance Program	\$2,500

The grant review panel was comprised of arts, heritage and humanities professionals, including members of the Clackamas County Cultural Coalition:

**Bill Briare**–Retired Dean of Arts & Sciences, Clackamas Community College, Cultural Coalition member

**Katinka Bryk**–Retired librarian, Chair of the Cultural Coalition

**David DeHart**–Novelist, fine art photographer and actor/director, Cultural Coalition member

**Bridie Harrington**–Cultural Arts Supervisor, City of Hillsboro

**Pamela Vorachek**–Executive Director, Washington County Museum

Suzi Anderson, Programs Manager for Clackamas County Arts Alliance and Grant Administrator to the Cultural Coalition, said, "Each year it is a pleasure to see what incredible, thoughtful projects our applicants submit for consideration. The Coalition is excited to provide funding support to this year's grant projects, including five first-time recipients. Clackamas County is rich with cultural opportunities and these projects will further enhance the cultural experience for Clackamas County residents and visitors."

Sarah Wolfe of the Wilsonville Arts & Culture Council added, "The support of Clackamas County Cultural Coalition is a needed and much appreciated resource for WFA, both in reputation and in funds, and allows us to offer this art festival up to not only Wilsonville residents but also the entire Clackamas community and beyond. Thank you!!!"

*Since its inception in 2005, the Clackamas County Cultural Coalition has awarded 283 grants of over \$460,000 to 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. Information available at [www.clackamasculturalcoalition.org](http://www.clackamasculturalcoalition.org) and [www.culturaltrust.org](http://www.culturaltrust.org).*