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138 arts organizations receive more than $1.1 million
in Operating Support Grants from the Oregon Arts Commission

Creative minds at 138 Oregon arts organizations will be empowered by $1,118,435 in fiscal year 2020 Operating Support Grants from the Oregon Arts Commission.

Ranging from $3,114 to $29,924, the grants are available to nonprofit organizations with arts at the core of their mission and budgets over $150,000*.

“We often hear that these are the most important grants we award,” said Arts Commission Chair Anne Taylor. “They alleviate some of the economic pressure and allow Oregon arts organizations to focus on their missions.”

Organizations receiving Operating Support from the Arts Commission last year expended $213 million, employed 11,681 FTE and produced events and activities that were attended by close to 3.7 million people.

*Organizations with budgets under $150,000 are eligible to apply for Small Operating Grants.

Fiscal year 2020 Operating Support Grants were awarded to:

**Central Oregon**
BendFilm, Bend: $5,156
Playa, Summer Lake, $6,499
Sisters Folk Festival, Inc., Sisters: $7,100
Sunriver Music Festival, Sunriver: $4,411
The High Desert Museum, Bend: $18,757
Tower Theatre Foundation, Inc., Bend: $6,284

**Coast**
Artula Institute for Art and Environmental Education, Bandon: $3,635
Cannon Beach Arts Association, Cannon Beach: $4,043
Coos Art Museum, Coos Bay: $5,891
Liberty Restoration Inc, Astoria: $4,919
Lincoln City Cultural Center, Lincoln City: $4,198
Newport Symphony Orchestra, Newport: $3,640
Oregon Coast Council for the Arts, Newport: $12,735

Gorge/Eastern Oregon
Arts Council of Pendleton, Pendleton: $11,717
Crossroads Creative and Performing Arts Center, Baker City: $4,278
Columbia Arts, Hood River: $7,092
Crow’s Shadow Institute of the Arts, Pendleton: $5,818
Eastern Oregon Regional Arts Council, La Grande: $3,114
Fishtrap Inc, Enterprise: $7,448
Four Rivers Cultural Center, Ontario: $7,057
Josephy Center for Arts and Culture, Joseph: $3,114
Oregon East Symphony, Pendleton: $3,114

Portland Metro
Alberta Abbey Foundation, Portland: $4,635
All Classical Portland, Portland: $11,244
Artichoke Community Music, Portland: $5,198
Artists Repertory Theatre: Portland: $8,952
August Wilson Red Door Project, Portland: $6,177
A-WOL Dance Collective, Inc, Clackamas: $4,633
Bag & Baggage Productions, Inc., Hillsboro: $5,860
BodyVox Inc., Portland: $14,488
Bosco-Milligan Foundation, Portland: $4,931
Broadway Rose Theatre Company, Tigard: $9,934
Caldera, Portland: $12,827
Camp45 Contemporary, Portland: $4,438
Cappella Romana Inc, Portland: $8,569
Chamber Music Northwest, Portland: $13,996
Children’s Healing Art Project, Portland: $3,114
Clackamas County Arts Alliance, Oregon City: $8,958
Clackamas Repertory Theatre, Oregon City: $3,293
CoHo Productions Ltd, Portland: $3,999
Corrib Theatre, Portland: $4,043
Curious Comedy Theater, Portland: $7,133
Disjecta Contemporary Art Center Inc, Portland: $11,798
Echo Theater Company, Portland: $5,156
Ethos Inc., Portland: $6,404
Film Action Oregon dba Hollywood Theatre, Portland: $7,270
Friends of Chamber Music, Portland: $8,362
Imago the Theatre Mask Ensemble, Portland: $4,511
Lakewood Theatre Company, Lake Oswego: $10,898
Literary Arts Inc, Portland: $14,819
Live Wire Radio, Portland: $9,328
Metropolitan Youth Symphony, Portland: $8,754
Miracle Theatre Group, Portland: $6,205
My Voice Music, Portland: $4,785
Northwest Children's Theater & School Inc, Portland: $9,842
Northwest Professional Dance Project, Portland: $9,596
Old Church Society, Inc., Portland: $5,937
Open Signal, Portland: $16,894
Oregon Ballet Theatre, Portland: $10,494
Oregon BRAVO Youth Orchestras, Portland: $7,995
Oregon Center for the Photographic Arts, Portland: $4,495
Oregon Children's Theatre Company, Portland: $15,846
Oregon Repertory Singers, Portland: $3,451
Oregon Symphony, Portland: $29,234
Pacific Northwest College of Art, Portland: $9,451
Pacific Youth Choir, Portland: $7,094
Phame Academy, Portland: $7,704
Polaris Dance Company, Portland: $7,181
Portland Actors Conservatory, Portland: $4,931
Portland Art Museum, Portland: $29,591
Portland Baroque Orchestra, Portland: $10,262
Portland Center Stage at The Armory, Portland: $20,124
Portland Children's Museum, Portland: $13,286
Portland Columbia Symphony, Portland: $3,442
Portland Experimental Theatre Ensemble, Portland: $4,438
Portland Gay Men's Chorus Inc, Portland: $7,259
Portland Institute for Contemporary Art, Portland: $14,274
Portland Opera Association, Portland: $23,607
Portland Piano International, Portland: $5,579
Portland Playhouse Portland: $9,755
Portland Symphonic Choir, Portland: $4,656
Portland Youth Philharmonic Association, Portland: $5,946
Profile Theatre Project, Portland: $5,817
Regional Arts & Culture Council, Portland: $29,231
Stumptown Stages, Lake Oswego: $5,445
The Circus Project, Portland: $7,413
The Portland Ballet, Portland: $7,165
Third Angle New Music Ensemble, Inc., Portland: $4,771
Third Rail Repertory Theatre, Portland: $9,228
Triangle Productions, Portland: $6,621
Vibe of Portland, Portland: $4,043
Western Alliance of Arts Administrators Foundation, Portland: $5,424
White Bird, Portland: $9,809
Write Around Portland, Portland: $10,525
Young Audiences of Oregon Inc, Portland: $6,773
Young Musicians & Artists, Portland: $4,522
Youth Music Project, West Linn: $5,028
YU Contemporary Inc, Portland: $5,024

**Southern Oregon**
Chamber Music Concerts, Ashland: $5,049
Oregon Shakespeare Festival Association, Ashland: $29,924
Rogue Valley Art Association, Medford: $6,761
Rogue Valley Chorale Association, Medford: $3,114
Ross Ragland Theater, Klamath Falls: $12,895
Schneider Museum of Art, Ashland: $4,733
Southern Oregon Film Society, Ashland: $4,520
Southern Oregon Repertory Singers, Ashland: $3,938
Youth Symphony of Southern Oregon, Medford: $4,777

**Willamette Valley**
Ballet Fantastique, Eugene: $3,983
Chehalem Center Association, Newberg: $7057
Children’s Educational Theatre, Salem: $4,043
Corvallis Arts Center Inc, Corvallis: $7,232
Corvallis Youth Symphony Association, Corvallis: $4,248
Cottage Theatre, Cottage Grove: $3,984
Eugene Ballet, Eugene: $11,024
Eugene Concert Choir Inc, Eugene: $6,792
Eugene Opera, Eugene: $5,602
Eugene Symphony Association, Eugene: $19,060
Eugene-Springfield Youth Orchestras, Eugene: $5,027
Hallie Ford Museum of Art, Salem: $7,482
Historic Elsinore Theatre Inc, Salem: $5,386
Joint Forces Dance Company, Eugene: $5,573
Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art, Eugene: $11,400
Lane Arts Council, Eugene: $14,242
Lord Leebrick Theatre Company, Eugene: $4,985
Maude I Kerns Art Center, Eugene: $4,931
Oregon Bach Festival, Eugene: $17,231
Oregon Folklife Network/University of Oregon, Eugene: $4,890
Oregon Mozart Players, Eugene: $4,339
Oregon Symphony Association in Salem, Salem: $4,931
Pentacle Theatre Inc, Salem: $5,451
Salem Art Association, Salem: $12,618
Salem Multicultural Institute, Salem: $6,981
Shedd Institute for the Arts, The John G., Eugene: $13,053
The Very Little Theatre, Eugene: $4,043
Umpqua Valley Arts Association, Roseburg: $6,856
Willamette Art Center, Salem: $4,438

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The Oregon Arts Commission provides leadership, funding and arts programs through its grants, special initiatives and services. Nine commissioners, appointed by the Governor, determine arts needs and establish policies for public support of the arts. The Arts Commission became part of Business Oregon (formerly Oregon Economic and Community Development Department) in 1993, in recognition of the expanding role the arts play in the broader social, economic and educational arenas of Oregon communities. In 2003, the Oregon legislature moved the operations of the Oregon Cultural Trust to the Arts Commission, streamlining operations and making use of the Commission’s expertise in grantmaking, arts and cultural information and community cultural development.

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