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**PHOENIX OFFICE OF ARTS AND CULTURE**  
**2007-2008 Grant Funding Recommendations**  
**General Operating Support**

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**1** Applicant: **Actors Theatre of Phoenix**

Project Title: ATP General Operating Support 2008

Council District(s): 8

Mission Statement: Actors Theatre of Phoenix strives to be a major voice in the cultural conversation of the Valley of the Sun. We produce high quality live theatre that entertains, enlightens and connects our audiences to the ever changing sensibilities of our times. Our work is a collaborative effort of artists, professional staff, board members and the community. Through our work we support the development of local artists

Amount Recommended: \$19,857

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**2** Applicant: **Arizona Jewish Theatre Company**

Project Title: AJTC General Operating Support 2008

Council District(s): 7

Mission Statement: The Arizona Jewish Theatre Company is a non-sectarian theatre established in 1988 to explore the richness of Jewish culture through the production of quality plays that reflect the Jewish experience. The company strives to preserve the rich heritage of Jewish theatre, as it showcases the wealth of material written by Jewish playwrights and composers. AJTC reaches out into the general community to expand understanding of the Jewish culture and values, while instilling pride within its own community. By blending together talented individuals of all backgrounds to work together for common goals, the AJTC bridges gaps of multi-cultural understanding, as it celebrates the uniqueness of various cultures.

Amount Recommended: \$10,138

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**3** Applicant: **Arizona Opera**

Project Title: Arizona Opera General Operating Support 2008

Council District(s): 4

Mission Statement: The mission of Arizona Opera is to be a professional opera company, respected for its artistic excellence, financial stability, and development of emerging talent, serving the diverse cultural and educational needs of the community.

Amount Recommended: \$35,146

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**4** Applicant: **Arizona Science Center**

Project Title: ASC General Operating Support 2008

Council District(s): 8

Mission Statement: The mission of the Arizona Science Center is to inspire, educate and entertain people about science. A community leader in providing hands-on science and technology-related education throughout the state, ASC encourages curiosity and fosters public understanding, dialogue and debate about the social and ethnical issues posed by new science discoveries.

Amount Recommended: \$0

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**5** Applicant: **Arizona Theatre Company**  
Project Title: ATC General Operating Support 2008  
Council District(s): 7  
Mission Statement: Arizona Theatre Company's mission is to create professional theatre that continually strives to reach new levels of artistic excellence and that resonates locally, in Arizona and throughout the nation. ATC will strive to: Produce a broad repertoire ranging from classics to new works; Engage artists of the highest caliber; Achieve a leadership position in the national theatre community; Assure access to the broadest spectrum of people; Achieve cultural diversity in all endeavors; Serve as an educational resource providing outreach programs; Operate from a position of financial strength.  
Amount Recommended: \$38,974

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**6** Applicant: **Ballet Arizona**  
Project Title: Ballet Arizona General Operating Support 2008  
Council District(s): 6  
Mission Statement: Ballet Arizona's mission is: 1) to entertain our audiences with world-class dance performances; 2) to nurture the development of our artists through a combination of classical and cutting-edge choreography; and 3) to serve our various communities with outstanding educational and other community outreach programs.  
Amount Recommended: \$40,845

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**7** Applicant: **Black Theatre Troupe, Inc.**  
Project Title: BTT General Operating Support 2008  
Council District(s): 7  
Mission Statement: The Black Theatre Troupe, Inc. acts to make significant contributions toward fostering drama and theatre within the State of Arizona. It operates to enhance the cultural and artistic awareness of the community at large by producing works with an emphasis on providing exposure to the African-American experience. It is our purpose and mission to educate, enlighten, and entertain a diverse multi-cultural audience by using local and national talent with emphasis on providing exposure to black culture and ideology.  
Amount Recommended: \$13,840

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**8** Applicant: **Children's Museum of Phoenix**  
Project Title: CMP General Operating Support 2008  
Council District(s): 8  
Mission Statement: The Children's Museum of Phoenix mission is to engage the minds, muscles, and imaginations of children and the grown-ups who care about them. With a focus on early childhood education, the Museum's programs and exhibits provide interactive, educational exhibits designed to meet key state educational standards in art, music, language, math and social studies-supporting the development of curious, confident, capable, lifelong learners.  
Amount Recommended: \$0

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**9** Applicant: **Desert Botanical Garden**  
Project Title: DBG General Operating Support 2008  
Council District(s): 6  
Mission Statement: The Garden's commitment to the community is to advance excellence in education, research, exhibition and conservation of the desert plants of the world with an emphasis on the Southwestern United States. We will ensure that the Garden is always a compelling attraction that brings to life the many wonders of the desert. The Garden is a living museum with more than 50,000 plants that make up the artistic collection displayed on five trails.  
Amount Recommended: \$0

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**10** Applicant: **Free Arts of Arizona**  
Project Title: FAA General Operating Support 2008  
Council District(s): 4  
Mission Statement: Free Arts of Arizona is a nonprofit organization with a mission of helping abused, neglected and homeless children heal through the creative arts. Free Arts of Arizona was founded in 1993 as the first expansion chapter of Free Arts for Abused Children located in Los Angeles, California. Free Arts of Arizona is considered a model for the expansion of chapters in Free Arts in New York, Minnesota, and Oregon. In 1999, the name of the organization was officially changed from Free Arts for Abused Children to Free Arts of Arizona.  
Amount Recommended: \$27,697

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**11** Applicant: **Great Arizona Puppet Theater**  
Project Title: GAPT General Operating Support 2008  
Council District(s): 7  
Mission Statement: The Great Arizona Puppet Theater's mission is 1) to advance and promote the art of puppetry; 2) to celebrate the great state of Arizona - its heritage, culture and ecology - through the art of puppetry; and 3) to make a positive impact on the cultural climate of Arizona especially as it affects children and families.  
Amount Recommended: \$25,623

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**12** Applicant: **Heard Museum**  
Project Title: Heard Museum General Operating Support 2008  
Council District(s): 7  
Mission Statement: The Heard Museum, founded in 1929, promotes appreciation and respect for native people and their cultural heritage, with an emphasis on the traditional cultures of the Greater Southwest and on the Native American Fine Arts Movement by:  
1) Working in active cooperation with Native Americans and other indigenous people to help sustain their respective cultures in the contemporary world;  
2) Developing and preserving outstanding collections that reflect the heritage and artistic achievements of Native people; and  
3) Creating appropriate exhibits, publications and educational programs that serve the Native community and the general public.  
Amount Recommended: \$46,240

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**13** Applicant: **Herberger Theater Center**

Project Title: HTC Arts Service Organization 2008

Council District(s): 8

Mission Statement: The mission of the Herberger Theater Center, as a cultural icon of metropolitan Phoenix, is to serve as a venue designed to bring together a diverse spectrum of audiences and artists to participate in the unique experience of live performances. It is the Center's purpose to provide a home for Arizona based professional performing arts companies and encourage the development of diverse and emerging performing arts while providing quality theater arts experience for the greater Phoenix community.

Amount Recommended: \$25,000

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**14** Applicant: **Phoenix Art Museum**

Project Title: PAM General Operating Support 2008

Council District(s): 7

Mission Statement: The Museum's mission is to educate and expose the broadest possible segment of the area's population to historical and aesthetic aspects of the visual arts in a process that is enlightening, entertaining and stimulating. In order to accomplish this, Museum staff must strive to excel in the areas of collection, conservation, exhibition, and interpretation of a broad range of visual art.

Amount Recommended: \$59,053

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**15** Applicant: **Phoenix Bach Choir**

Project Title: Phoenix Bach Choir General Operating Support 2008

Council District(s): 7

Mission Statement: The Phoenix Bach Choir's mission is to develop and support the highest caliber professional vocal ensemble serving the community through performances, education programs and outreach activities. By performing at the highest artistic level, the Choir helps create and sustain an environment that fosters musical and artistic development. As Arizona's premiere and only fully professional choir, the PBC has been presenting excellent choral literature to the public since 1958.

Amount Recommended: \$20,332

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**16** Applicant: **Phoenix Boys Choir Association**

Project Title: PBC General Operating Support 2008

Council District(s): 6

Mission Statement: The mission of the Phoenix Boys Choir Association is to educate boys in the art of singing, to perform the finest music in the boy choir tradition, to contribute to the greater Phoenix musical life and to enhance Arizona's cultural reputation nationally and internationally. The Choir was established in 1948 and incorporated in 1973.

Amount Recommended: \$26,739

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**17** Applicant: **Phoenix Symphony Association**

Project Title: PSA General Operating Support 2008

Council District(s): 8

Mission Statement: The mission of the Phoenix Symphony Association is to enrich the lives of the people of Phoenix and the State of Arizona through the performance of high quality symphonic music. This will be accomplished by maintaining the fullest commitment to: 1) The highest artistic standards in the performance of symphonic repertoire, 2) Outreach efforts which will attract and inform the broadest possible audience from all ethnic, financial and age groups, and 3) Strong and disciplined fiscal standards which will ensure the financial health and viability of the organization.

Amount Recommended: \$64,084

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**18** Applicant: **Phoenix Theatre**

Project Title: Phoenix Theatre General Operating Support 2008

Council District(s): 7

Mission Statement: Phoenix Theatre's mission is to: 1) provide the highest-quality artistic entertainment; 2) be a cultural resource for our community; 3) employ Valley of the Sun artists; 4) develop local talent through our education programs; 5) reflect the cultural diversity of our community; 6) operate from a position of financial stability, and 7) have fun. Phoenix Theatre is determined to be a major cultural presence in Phoenix

Amount Recommended: \$30,585

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**19** Applicant: **Rosie's House: A Music Academy for Children**

Project Title: Rosie's House General Operating Support 2008

Council District(s): 7

Mission Statement: The mission of Rosie's House is to provide free instruments and music instruction by dedicated professionals to low income, under-served youth in the Phoenix area. Rosie's House serves 250 five to eighteen year old students with classes held five days a week. Youth participate in private and group lessons for string, piano, guitar, bass, and woodwind instruments, a variety of ensembles and performance opportunities for all.

Amount Recommended: \$6,800

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**20** Applicant: **Valley Youth Theatre**

Project Title: VYT General Operating Support 2008

Council District(s): 8

Mission Statement: Founded in 1989, Valley Youth Theatre (VYT) focuses on maintaining the interest and involvement of adolescents and teens through more challenging and appealing works, and providing them with skills that will carry with them for the rest of their lives. VYT's philosophy is based on exposing youth to quality theatre; that the theatre arts involve hard work and teamwork, and that participants in theatre have a responsibility to tell a story to an audience. VYT hopes that through this experience, youth, either as participants or audience, gain an interest and appreciation of theatre that they will carry with them as adults.

Amount Recommended: \$13,959

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