
PHOENIX OFFICE OF ARTS AND CULTURE
2007-2008 Grant Funding Recommendations
Rental Support Program

1 Applicant: **Actors Theatre of Phoenix**

Project Title: ATP Rental Support Program 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: \$21,337

2 Applicant: **Arizona Opera**

Project Title: Arizona Opera Rental Support Program 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: \$20,774

3 Applicant: **Arizona Theatre Company**

Project Title: ATC Rental Support Program 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: \$57,515

4 Applicant: **Ballet Arizona**

Project Title: Ballet Rental Support Program 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: \$44,132

5 Applicant: **Black Theatre Troupe, Inc.**

Project Title: BTT Rental Support Program 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: \$5,914

6 Applicant: **Center Dance Ensemble**

Project Title: CDE Rental Support Program 2008

Council District(s): 8

Mission Statement: Center Dance Ensemble is a modern dance company, founded in 1988 to bring professional modern dance to Arizona, to provide an artistic home at the Herberger Theater Center for modern dancers, and to give dancers and choreographers a framework within which to grow artistically.

Amount Recommended: \$7,886

7 Applicant: **Phoenix Symphony Association**

Project Title: PSO Rental Support Program 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: \$73,270

8 Applicant: **Valley Youth Theatre**

Project Title: VYT Rental Support Program 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: \$19,172
