



ARTS AND CULTURE

THE 52ND STREET PROJECT INC.

New York, New York

\$ 550,000

This organization provides ethnically diverse, low-income children in the Clinton neighborhood with theater-education programs, ranging from arts-immersion workshops to playwriting and academic mentoring, all free of charge. Grant monies will enable the group to relocate to more spacious quarters in a new mixed-use development in the same area, to expand its programming and to secure a permanent theater facility.

ADVENTURE SCIENCE CENTER

Nashville, Tennessee

\$ 400,000

The center strives to inspire interest in science through its hands-on exhibits and on-site after-school programs, as well as through in-school programs held at more than 200 area schools. This grant-funded project calls for the construction and renovation of facilities to replace the current planetarium, and to add a two-story astronaut-training and space-technology center, 3-D walk-through atlas of the solar system and astronomy lab.

AUGUST WILSON CENTER FOR AFRICAN AMERICAN CULTURE

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

\$ 1,200,000

The August Wilson Center produces and presents visual- and performing-arts programs, including dance, music, arts and theater, in collaboration with other cultural institutions. This grant will go toward the construction of a new environmentally sustainable facility, which will enable the organization to expand its programming to a growing multicultural community, serve as a resource for African-American arts, and potentially assist in the revitalization of downtown Pittsburgh's cultural district.

B.B. KING MUSEUM AND DELTA INTERPRETIVE CENTER

Indianola, Mississippi

\$ 300,000

This new museum will use the life of music legend B.B. King, a.k.a. “King of the Blues,” to explore the Mississippi Delta region’s cultural and social heritage, and to further youth development and racial reconciliation. This grant-funded project incorporates the renovation of a historic brick 1915-era cotton gin, where King once worked, as a focal point for new construction, with space for exhibits, after-school programs and music lessons.

THE BERKSHIRE MUSEUM

Pittsfield, Massachusetts

\$ 500,000

In addition to serving as an integral part of a small, rural, year-round community, this museum is spearheading local efforts to promote family-friendly cultural tourism as a way to economically revitalize the surrounding region. Grant monies will go toward the renovation of the museum, including refurbishment of the galleries, the addition of a classroom and the installation of a new heating, ventilation and air-conditioning system, making it more comfortable and inviting to tourists.

CHILDREN’S MUSEUM OF PHOENIX

Phoenix, Arizona

\$ 900,000

Despite its rapid growth, the Phoenix area lacks access to quality educational services for young children. The renovation of the former Monroe School for use as the new Children’s Museum of Phoenix, a project funded by this grant, will provide programs, exhibits and a bilingual early-childhood learning lab and care center that complement the state’s school-readiness initiative and state educational standards.

THE CHILDREN’S MUSEUM OF PORTSMOUTH

Portsmouth, New Hampshire

\$ 300,000

The museum offers programs and exhibits designed to foster curiosity, promote self-directed learning and stimulate imagination, and works in underserved communities, through its Reach All Initiative, to create satellite museums and related programs. With grant funding, the museum will renovate a former armory/community gymnasium in Dover to create a replacement facility containing environmentally sustainable features, and to restore a neglected site along the Cocheco River.

CIRCUIT PLAYHOUSE INC.

Memphis, Tennessee

\$ 650,000

This innovative theater company creates opportunities for minority playwrights and provides three venues for minority actors, singers, dancers and technicians in downtown Memphis’ Midtown area. The grant-funded construction of a 400-seat theater will allow the organization to consolidate its now-dispersed performance and rehearsal facilities, expand its outreach and educational programs to youth, and provide performance space to emerging artists and groups.

CORNELL UNIVERSITY

Ithaca, New York

\$ 500,000

Cornell's Herbert F. Johnson Museum of Art, housing a collection of 30,000 objects, has demonstrated a strong commitment to serving a broad, regional audience through educational programs, academic and scholarly activities and outreach to youth. Faced with a shortage of exhibition and programming space, the museum will use grant funds to expand its distinctive I.M. Pei-designed building.

CREATIVE GROWTH ART CENTER

Oakland, California

\$ 175,000

Committed to establishing and developing a world-renowned arts center for disabled artists, the center serves 150 individuals with developmental, physical, emotional and mental disabilities, many drawn from the poorest areas in the San Francisco Bay area, through workshops, exhibitions, classes and summer youth programs. The renovation of its studio and gallery, with the incorporation of environmentally sustainable features, will be made possible by this grant.

DES MOINES ART CENTER

Des Moines, Iowa

\$ 900,000

As a leading cultural institution in Des Moines, the center supports a comprehensive arts-education program and a strong commitment to accessibility, which makes it a focal point for life-long learning, family engagement and cultural dialogue in a growing and increasingly diverse metropolitan region. Grant monies will enable the organization to preserve and restore its facilities.

DESERT BOTANICAL GARDEN

Phoenix, Arizona

\$ 850,000

Showcasing 139 rare desert plants, this Phoenix attraction provides cultural experiences, environmental education and research about desert ecology in a region impacted by water shortages attributable to climate change and population growth. This grant will allow for the construction of the Cactus and Succulent Galleries and the Center for Desert Living Trail, as well as provide support for education initiatives and research.

DETROIT SCIENCE CENTER

Detroit, Michigan

\$ 1,250,000

The center is working to redefine itself as the nation's leading engineering-focused science museum in an effort to excite children about problem-solving and to inspire them to pursue careers in engineering and other science-based fields. Grant monies will be used to create new exhibits focused on medical marvels, transportation, space, matter and energy, and a children's gallery.

GUILD HALL OF EAST HAMPTON INC.

East Hampton, New York

\$ 800,000

Guild Hall, a year-round visual-, performing- and literary-arts center, houses a museum, theater and community center, and serves 40,000 local artists, schoolchildren, retirees and summer visitors, including a growing Latino population. Grant funding for its phase IV theater renovation will allow the organization to expand its programs to an increasingly diverse year-round audience and offer exhibitions of contemporary artists.

JOHNSTOWN AREA HERITAGE ASSOCIATION

Johnstown, Pennsylvania

\$ 500,000

The association encourages community and economic revitalization of historic Johnstown by supporting museums, exhibits and programs focused on early industrial America and the famous 1889 Johnstown flood, and by producing the annual FolkFest celebration. This grant will support the renovation of the Johnstown Discovery Center to accommodate a new Children's Museum and interactive exhibits, the renovation of the Flood Museum and the phase I development of the Festival Park site.

KANSAS CITY REPERTORY THEATRE

Kansas City, Missouri

\$ 330,000

As the city's premier professional resident theater company, Kansas City Repertory operates a 633-seat facility on the campus of the University of Missouri. Through a public-private partnership, and grant support, the organization will build a 316-seat theater within H&R Block's new downtown corporate headquarters, enabling it to produce lesser-known and experimental plays targeted at the area's growing young urban population.

LINK MEDIA INC.

San Francisco, California

\$ 200,000

LinkTV, operated by Link Media, is a 24-hour, satellite-feed, non-commercial, national network that serves 30 million U.S. households comprising a geographically, ethnically and politically diverse audience, and that engages, informs and motivates viewers to take part in constructive dialog and civil action. This planning grant for a campaign to increase viewers and contributions will support Link Media's initial expansion of its advancement staff, board expansion and training and the development of major donor-cultivation events.

LOWER EAST SIDE TENEMENT MUSEUM

New York, New York

\$ 800,000

Housed in a restored tenement building, once home to 7,000 19th and 20th century immigrants, the museum presents and interprets the experiences of these families to increase understanding of American immigration, stimulate dialog and foster meaningful exchanges with contemporary immigrants. Through this grant, the museum will purchase a building at 91 Orchard Street to provide additional administrative, library and archival space.

MAINE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Portland, Maine

\$ 400,000

Founded in 1822, this organization preserves the heritage and history of Maine by collecting and exhibiting historical artifacts, facilitating research, providing educational programming and operating the Maine Memory Network, which offers historical documents online. This grant will enable the organization to renovate and expand its research library, helping to preserve its collection and to create an inviting facility for staff and visitors.

METROPOLITAN INDIANAPOLIS PUBLIC BROADCASTING INC., WFYI

Indianapolis, Indiana

\$ 900,000

WFYI is the radio and television flagship among Indiana's public-broadcasting stations, and serves 33 counties in the state's midsection, with an average of 650,000 viewers and listeners weekly. Grant monies will enable the station to purchase and renovate the former Indiana Gas Company building and to consolidate its staff and production studios while contributing to local revitalization efforts.

MISSOURI SYMPHONY SOCIETY

Columbia, Missouri

\$ 250,000

This is the only professional orchestra serving mid-Missouri, a primarily rural area, through a combination of summer musical programming, a touring concert series and youth-education outreach, including a youth orchestra and children's choir. The renovation of the Missouri Theatre Center for the Arts, made possible with grant assistance, will spur downtown revitalization and enable the symphony to expand its offerings.

MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS

St. Petersburg, Florida

\$ 750,000

The museum draws both seasonal and year-round residents to its extensive art collection and comprehensive art history library while engaging in educational and outreach programs. Renovation and expansion of the facility, enabled by this grant, will provide increased display space and areas for traveling exhibitions and educational activities.

MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS

Boston, Massachusetts

\$ 1,500,000

Known for its extensive art collection and strong commitment to accessibility and broad-based community outreach, the museum serves thousands of schoolchildren and teachers, disabled individuals, teens and underrepresented audiences. This grant will support the construction of its new Learning Galleries, comprising a 150-seat auditorium and two new classrooms for community-based programs, and the expansion of its Community Arts Initiative for young people.

MUSEUM OF NEW MEXICO FOUNDATION

Santa Fe, New Mexico

\$ 750,000

The foundation supports four Santa Fe museums and six historical state monuments that comprise the Museum of New Mexico. This grant will provide funding for exhibit fabrication and the restoration of the Palace of Governors/New Mexico Museum of History, which will serve as a visitor's center for a new History Museum, to be constructed adjacent to the palace.

NASHVILLE CHILDREN'S THEATRE

Nashville, Tennessee

\$ 500,000

In a city famed for its country-music heritage, Nashville Children's Theatre has distinguished itself as one of the leading professional children's theaters in the country, and has shown a commitment to serving people of all economic backgrounds. The organization is using grant monies to renovate and expand its facility in an effort to accommodate the needs of its growing family audiences.

OLD GLOBE THEATRE

San Diego, California

\$ 1,000,000

Located in historic Balboa Park, the Old Globe Theatre serves as a major venue for theatrical events, supports aspiring artists and directors through multifaceted program offerings, and conducts extensive outreach, including in-school literacy programs, teacher development and a new artist-in-residence program. This grant will be directed toward the construction of a replacement Arena Stage, a new education center and a renovated public plaza.

OLNEY THEATRE CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Olney, Maryland

\$ 50,000

With its eclectic offerings of classical and alternative theatrical productions, ranging from the annual Summer Shakespeare Festival to the Potomac Theatre Project, and its comprehensive educational programs focused on the development of young actors and playwrights, the Olney Theatre Center is recognized as one of Maryland's leading professional regional theaters. Grant funding will support the implementation of a five-year strategic-development plan.

PACIFIC ASIA MUSEUM

Pasadena, California

\$ 300,000

Located in western San Gabriel Valley, this museum is engaged in its community and committed to building cultural bridges by presenting the arts and culture of Asia and the Pacific Islands to local and national audiences. Grant monies will go toward the phase II renovation of its facility, allowing for the expansion of the interactive-education gallery, which houses 90 percent of the museum's permanent collection.

ROUNABOUT THEATRE COMPANY

New York, New York

\$ 1,000,000

With three theaters in operation and 22 Tony Awards to its credit, the Roundabout is one of the largest nonprofit theaters in the country and a leader in offering professional-development opportunities for artists and educational initiatives, including workshops for teachers, residency programs with public schools, and subsidized tickets to tri-state area students. Grant funding will support the ongoing renovation of the former Studio 54, including the upgrading of artistic and patron amenities and the creation of the only "flex-theater" on Broadway.

SARASOTA OPERA ASSOCIATION INC.

Sarasota, Florida

\$ 500,000

The Sarasota Opera, a nationally acclaimed performing-arts company, offers a potpourri of events and programming, including the Winter Opera Festival, the Verdi Cycle, the Master Works Revival Series and the Youth Opera Program, which commissions musical works for young voices. This grant-supported renovation of the historic Opera House, listed on the National Register of Historic Places, will preserve its distinctive features, improve its functionality, and increase the company's ability to serve a larger, more-diverse audience.

SHAKESPEARE THEATRE COMPANY

Washington, D.C.

\$ 1,000,000

The company, which presents classic theater productions in the nation's capital, plays a critical role in preserving the classics, and has been the recipient of 54 Helen Hayes Awards. Grant monies will be used to construct the new Harman Center for the Arts and to renovate the existing Lansburgh Theatre, thereby reaffirming the company's commitment to serving its increasingly diverse urban and visiting audiences.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PUBLIC RADIO

Pasadena, California

\$ 1,300,000

This organization, which operates both KPCC-FM and KUOR-FM, provides locally produced, 24-hour radio news coverage and public-affairs programming, as well as multi-ethnic on-air forums, for a broadcast area encompassing Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino and Riverside counties. The grant-funded renovation of a building for use as a broadcast center will enable the organization to consolidate its facilities, upgrade its production equipment, and create public-forum space for community use.

THE STUDIO THEATRE

Washington, D.C.

\$ 400,000

Serving as a premier stage for contemporary theater, a forum for emerging artists, and a leader in educating future professional artists and administrators, the Studio Theatre strives to attract diverse audiences and participants through its artistic programming and collaborative partnerships. Faced with gentrification pressures in the Logan Circle neighborhood, the organization will use grant monies to purchase and renovate 12 apartment units, which will provide housing for artists and apprentices.

WNYC RADIO

New York, New York

\$ 2,500,000

This flagship National Public Radio station plays a critical role in informing local and national audiences, and has pioneered new technology and innovative programs to reach underserved neighborhoods. As it transitions from public to independent status, this grant will enable the station to move to its own LEED broadcast studios and offices with state-of-the-art equipment, further enhancing its leadership role in news and cultural programming.
