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CultureSource Supports Wayne County Organizations Through State Minigrant Program

CultureSource named official regranting agency for Wayne County for the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs

Detroit, September 20, 2016 — CultureSource, the alliance of arts and culture nonprofits in southeast Michigan, is pleased to announce that 15 deserving Wayne County arts and culture nonprofits have received funding through its minigrant program. The \$26,850 in grants is the first round of funding since CultureSource was named as the regranting agency for the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs (MCACA)'s minigrant program for Wayne County.

“These notable organizations that have received this first round of funding are committed to providing high-quality projects that make an impact in our region,” said Pamela Iacobelli, president and CEO of CultureSource. “We are pleased to partner with MCACA in order to strengthen the arts and culture sector, and offer all the resources we can to help them thrive.”

Minigrants of up to \$4,000 per arts project were awarded to 15 local nonprofits and will be used for locally developed, high-quality arts and cultural projects that will take place between October 1, 2016 and September 30, 2017.

Minigrants support a broad range of artistic expression from all cultures through projects which preserve, produce or present traditional or contemporary arts and culture and/or arts education. Eligible applicants include non-profit organizations, schools, colleges/universities and municipalities in Wayne county.

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Round two of the program will open later this fall, with CultureSource accepting applications for funding through January 15, 2017 for projects that begin March 1, 2017 and end by September 30, 2017. For more information about the program and to apply for the grant, please contact Jane Linn, Region 10b Minigrant Coordinator at (313) 831-1151 or jlinn@culturesource.org.

The minigrant program is a partnership between MCACA and regional regranting agencies throughout the state. These are special opportunities to address local arts and cultural needs as well as increase public access to arts and culture.

Round one recipients include:

Akropolis Reed Quintet, Northville
Community Aid & Development Corporation, Detroit
Dearborn Public Schools, Dearborn
Great Lakes Aradhana Committee, Canton
Haitian Network Group of Detroit, Detroit
LSODance Foundation, Detroit
Mariners Inn, Detroit
Marygrove College, Detroit
Michigan Philharmonic, Plymouth
Open Book Theatre Company, Grosse Ile
Pewabic Society, Detroit
Sarah Ayers, Hamtramck
Southgate Anderson High School, Southgate
The CASOE Group, Inc., Detroit
University Liggett School, Grosse Pointe Woods

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About CultureSource

CultureSource strengthens the arts and culture sector in Southeast Michigan through advocacy, capacity building and marketing resources in order to cultivate an innovative, collaborative, diverse and engaged community. CultureSource activities are supported in part by the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs, a partner agency of the National Endowment for the Arts, and the community. Find out more:

<https://www.culturesource.org/>

About the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs

The Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs (MCACA) aims to strengthen arts and culture in Michigan by increasing its visibility; supporting arts education; encouraging new, creative and innovative works of art; and broadening cultural understanding. A key conduit for arts and cultural information, MCACA is also a source of arts and culture grant funding. Find out more: <http://www.michiganbusiness.org/#about-intro>

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