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Mid Atlantic Arts Foundation Announces Fall 2008 PennPAT Grants for Touring Engagements 43 Touring Engagements Funded

Mid Atlantic Arts Foundation announced today that it has awarded \$194,615 for 43 engagements with 28 different PennPAT roster artists through the Pennsylvania Performing Arts on Tour program. For the first time, the Foundation awarded four (4) New Directions Grants for more complex projects. Additionally, there are several grants for projects that featured collaborations among two PennPAT roster artists. A detailed list of grant awards is available by clicking [here](#).

Requests were submitted at the October 15, 2008 deadline. Applications were reviewed by a panel of peers who considered the quality of the engagement, residency and collaborations, and the presenting skills of the applicant organization. Grant awards ranged from \$270 to \$30,000.

Funded engagements include performances and residencies at performing arts centers, colleges, festivals, arts councils, churches, libraries, national museums and community centers throughout the mid-Atlantic region and Ohio. The four (4) New Directions Grants each involve a long term residency that allows the artist to explore creative endeavors and develop meaningful connections with the presenter and the community.

The purpose of the PennPAT program is to increase opportunities for professional Pennsylvania performing artists to obtain successful touring engagements. PennPAT, a program of Mid Atlantic Arts Foundation, was developed and is funded by a unique public-private partnership including The Heinz Endowments; the William Penn Foundation; the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts, a state agency; and The Pew Charitable Trusts.



Upcoming deadlines for PennPAT Presenter Fee-Support and New Directions Grants are:

February 17, 2009: For projects scheduled between June 1, 2009 and May 31, 2011.

June 15, 2009: For projects requesting \$2,000 or less, scheduled between September 1, 2009 and August 31, 2010.

The guidelines and application are available at www.pennpat.org.

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