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Pennsylvania Performing Arts on Tour Announces Spring 2004 Grants for Touring Engagements *94 Touring Engagements Funded*

Pennsylvania Performing Arts on Tour (PennPAT), a program of the Mid Atlantic Arts Foundation, announced today that it has awarded \$357,079 for 94 engagements with 46 PennPAT roster artists. Approximately 76% of the eligible applications were awarded funding. A detailed list of grant awards follows.

At the February 17, 2004 deadline, PennPAT received 123 eligible applications from presenting organizations throughout the mid-Atlantic region and Ohio. Of the applications received, Delaware submitted 2; Maryland - 12; New Jersey -7; New York -24; Ohio - 11; Pennsylvania -47; Virginia -2; Washington, DC submitted 2 and West Virginia -16.

Funded engagements include performances and residencies at performing arts centers, universities, colleges, festivals, arts councils, faith-based institutions, libraries and community and cultural arts centers throughout the mid-Atlantic region and Ohio. Grant awards ranged from \$450 to \$15,000.

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

The next deadline for PennPAT Presenter Fee-Support Grants is **June 15, 2004** for *projects requesting \$1500 or less, scheduled between September 1, 2004 and August 31, 2005.* The next deadline for PennPAT Presenter Fee-Support and New Directions Grants is **October 15, 2004**, for *projects scheduled between February 1, 2005 and August 31, 2005.* For PennPAT guidelines, applications or information, contact Pennsylvania Performing Arts on Tour, 1811 Chestnut Street, Suite 301, Philadelphia, PA 19103. Telephone: 215/496-9424. Fax: 215/496-9585. E-mail: info@pennpat.org. Web: <http://www.pennpat.org/>.

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