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Pennsylvania Performing Arts on Tour Announces

Spring 1999 Grants for Touring Engagements

Pennsylvania Performing Arts on Tour (PennPAT) announced today that it has awarded close to \$200,000 in grants to Pennsylvania performing arts presenters for engagements with 33 different dance, theater, music, and multi-disciplinary performing artists. Now entering its second year of grant-making, PennPAT provides support for the touring of professional Pennsylvania performing artists within Pennsylvania. In this third round of PennPAT grants to presenters, 54 projects were selected for funding out of a total of 76 applications. Funded engagements include performances and residencies at colleges, universities, performing arts centers, local arts councils, museums, and arts festivals in 26 different counties and 32 different cities. Awards ranged from \$720 to \$13,350. A full list of grant awards follows.

This competitive grants program is open to all non-profit organizations and units of government in Pennsylvania that have an ongoing commitment to presenting the performing arts in their communities. Organizations that wish to hire an approved PennPAT roster artist for a public performance may be eligible to apply for funding to support up to 60% of the artist's fees and travel expenses. In addition to the performance itself, presenting organizations are encouraged to develop with the artist other activities that engage the community such as classes, workshops, and lecture demonstrations. These activities may also be eligible for PennPAT funding.

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The next application deadline for presenters will be October 1, 1999, for programs scheduled between March 1, 2000 and August 31, 2000. Proposals may also be submitted at this deadline for programs being preplanned for September 1, 2000 through August 31, 2001.

The current PennPAT roster of approved artists includes 94 performing arts companies or individual performing artists, all of whom reside or are based in Pennsylvania. The roster boasts dance companies and dancers, solo musicians and music groups, theater companies and actors, traditional performing arts groups, storytellers and multi-disciplinary performance companies. All of these artists have undergone a rigorous panel review of their artistic quality and their ability to tour.

The purpose of PennPAT is to provide income and development opportunities for professional Pennsylvania performing artists through increased access to and engagement with audiences throughout the Commonwealth. In addition to the grants to presenters for touring engagements, PennPAT offers grants to roster artists for projects intended to enhance their touring capabilities. PennPAT also offers workshops for artists and presenters focusing on issues related to touring and presenting the performing arts.

PennPAT, administered by Mid Atlantic Arts Foundation, was developed and is funded in a unique partnership between the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts, a state agency, and three private philanthropies – the Vira I. Heinz Endowment, the William Penn Foundation and The Pew Charitable Trusts.

For PennPAT guidelines, application 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: pennpat@erols.com.

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Allentown

Allentown Art Museum:

Odean Pope, \$1,750

Bradford

First Night Bradford:

Cashore Marionettes, \$1,782

Mogauwane Mahloele, \$1,161

Brookville

Brookville Borough Council on the Arts:

Bagpipe Music & Dance Performances, \$1,500

Carmichaels

Greene County Council on the Arts:

Mock Turtle Marionette Theater, \$1,905

Rand Whipple Movement Theatre, \$1,560

Cresson

Mount Aloysius College:

Chatham Baroque, \$1,821

Duquesne University Tamburitzans, \$3,036

The Lyric Consort, \$1,466

Dallas

College Misericordia:

Bagpipe Music & Dance Performances, \$2,334

Elizabethtown

Music at Gretna:

Philadelphia Brass, \$2,250

Erie

YWCA of Erie:

Coal Country Cloggers, \$4,673

Gettysburg

Adams County Arts Council:

Bloomsburg Theatre Ensemble, \$4,350

Harrisburg

Harrisburg Area Community College:

Philadanco, \$9,120

Open Stage of Harrisburg:

Rand Whipple Movement Theatre, \$2,621

Huntingdon

Juniata College:

David Leonhardt Jazz Group, \$3,681

The Mendelssohn Choir of Pittsburgh, \$6,030

Indiana

Foundation for IUP/The Lively Arts:

Chatham Baroque, \$3,090

Duquesne University Tamburitzans, \$3,600

Klingon Klezmer, \$2,880

Johnstown

Bottleworks Ethnic Arts Center:

Salsamba Latin Jazz Group, \$900

Kutztown

Kutztown University:

Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre, \$6,600

Lancaster

Pennsylvania Academy of Music:

Philadelphia Brass, \$1,800

Jessica Suchy-Pilalis, \$720

Lewisburg

Weiss Center for the Performing Arts/Bucknell

University:

Rennie Harris PureMovement, \$9,000

Media

Society for the Performing Arts/Media Theatre:

Dance Alloy, \$6,300

Pennsylvania Dance Theatre, \$3,120

River City Brass Band, \$6,300

Salsamba Latin Jazz Group, \$2,100

Monaca

Brodhead Cultural Center/Penn State Beaver:

Joe "Grkmania" Grkman Band, \$750

Newport

Perry County Council of the Arts:

Kevin Augustine, \$1,785

Philadelphia

African American Museum of Philadelphia:

Salsamba Latin Jazz Group, \$1,560

Pittsburgh

Manchester Craftsmen's Guild:

Bill Mays, \$3,000

Pittsburgh Dance Council:

Philadanco, \$11,400

Renaissance & Baroque Society of Pittsburgh:

Piffaro, The Renaissance Band, \$8,700

Scranton

Scranton Cultural Center:

David Parker, \$1,700

Selinsgrove

Susquehanna University Artist Series:

Duquesne University Tamburitzans, \$3,600

Pittsburgh Camarata, \$2,160

Somerset

Laurel Arts:

River City Brass Band, \$5,220

Squonk Opera, \$3,720

Stroudsburg

Fine Arts Discovery Series:

David Leonhardt Jazz Group, \$1,100

Towanda

Bradford County Regional Arts Council:

Duquesne University Tamburitzans, \$4,020

Newstead Trio, \$1,550

Pennsylvania Dance Theatre, \$2,600

Rand Whipple Movement Theatre, \$2,100

River City Brass Band, \$5,985

University Park

Center for the Performing Arts/Penn State

University:

Philadanco, \$13,350

Washington

Washington and Jefferson College:

Duquesne University Tamburitzans, \$3,000

Squonk Opera, \$4,740

Venture Theater, \$2,790

Waynesburg

Waynesburg College:

Carolyn Bryant, \$1,800

Windber

Arcadia Performing Arts:

Duquesne University Tamburitzans, \$3,300

Yardley

Lower Makefield Society for the Performing Arts:

David Leonhardt Jazz Group, \$2,100

York

Strand-Capitol Performing Arts Center:

Philadanco, \$9,000

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