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CULTURAL COUNCIL OF PALM BEACH COUNTY ADMINISTERS OVER \$4.82 MILLION IN GRANTS TO CULTURAL ORGANIZATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-20

LAKE WORTH BEACH, Fla. (June 24, 2019) – The **Cultural Council of Palm Beach County** has recommended a total of **\$4,825,600** in grants to 40 cultural organizations in Palm Beach County for fiscal year 2019-2020. The **Tourist Development Council of Palm Beach County’s** board of directors approved the recommendations at its June meeting.

Categories B and C-II are supported by bed tax revenue in coordination with the Palm Beach County Tourist Development Council and are designed to support **cultural tourism efforts** by funding marketing and program expenses associated with performances, exhibition and cultural events.

“This is a rigorous process and each institution that receives grant funding attracts visitors from around the world with quality exhibitions, performances and programming, and contributes greatly to Palm Beach County’s cultural and tourism sectors,” said Dave Lawrence, the Cultural Council’s president & CEO. “As the county’s official support agency for the arts, we’re honored to administer these grants to organizations that excel in growing our destination through the arts, sciences and humanities.”

Grant award amounts are based on the organizations’ budget size, application score and the funding available. A panel of Cultural Council board members and community volunteers review and score the grant applications based on cultural excellence, marketing impact, organization stability and potential for growth. The Cultural Council manages this process on behalf of Palm Beach County. For more information, visit www.palmbeachculture.com/grants.

Grant Award Recipients & Amounts:

Tourism Development Fund for Cultural Tourism: Category B Grant FY 19/20

• Adolph & Rose Levis Jewish Community Center	\$93,274
• Armory Art Center	\$152,180
• Boca Raton Museum of Art, Inc.	\$237,301
• FAU Foundation, Inc. Dorothy Schmidt College of Arts and Letters	\$158,451
• Henry Morrison Flagler Museum	\$241,314
• Loggerhead Marinelife Center	\$245,328
• Loxahatchee River Historical Society, Inc.	\$128,794
• Maltz Jupiter Theatre, Inc.	\$244,324
• Miami City Ballet, Inc.	\$226,263
• Morikami Museum & Japanese Gardens	\$199,841
• Norton Museum of Art	\$246,832
• Old School Square Center for the Arts, Inc.	\$188,657
• Palm Beach Dramaworks, Inc.	\$199,423
• Palm Beach Opera	\$242,694
• Palm Beach Photographic Centre	\$185,626
• Palm Beach State College	\$152,515
• Raymond F. Kravis Center for the Performing Arts, Inc.	\$246,832
• The Society of the Four Arts	\$184,368
• South Florida Science Center and Aquarium	\$242,067
• SunFest	\$239,809

• Zoological Society of the Palm Beaches, Inc.	\$239,307
Total Awarded	\$4,295,200

Tourism Development Fund for Cultural Marketing: Category C-II Grant FY 19/20

• Ann Norton Sculpture Gardens, Inc.	\$31,309
• Boca Ballet Theatre Company	\$28,730
• The Boca Raton Children's Museum	\$18,947
• Boca Raton Historical Society	\$29,383
• Boca Raton Philharmonic Symphonia, Inc.	\$30,003
• Busch Wildlife Sanctuary	\$28,462
• Centre for the Arts at Mizner Park, Inc.	\$29,634
• Center for Creative Education	\$27,860
• Chamber Music Society of Palm Beach, Inc.	\$28,896
• Expanding and Preserving Our Cultural Heritage, Inc. (EPOCH)/Spady Museum	\$25,242
• Friends of the Mounts Botanical Garden	\$30,940
• Historical Society of Palm Beach County	\$29,885
• Lake Worth Playhouse	\$28,663
• Lake Worth Street Painting Festival	\$25,069
• Lighthouse ArtCenter, Inc.	\$29,132
• Mandel Jewish Community Center of the Greater Palm Beaches	\$29,400
• Palm Beach Poetry Festival	\$18,371
• Palm Beach Symphony Society, Inc.	\$30,538
• Young Singers of the Palm Beaches	\$29,936
Total Awarded	\$530,400

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ABOUT THE CULTURAL COUNCIL OF PALM BEACH COUNTY

The Cultural Council of Palm Beach County is the official support agency for arts and culture in The Palm Beaches, Florida's Cultural Capital®. The Council provides grants to cultural organizations and professional artists, advocates for art and cultural funding, enhances local arts education, offers support services to foster growth of the sector and promotes cultural tourism.

The Cultural Council also serves as a venue for exhibitions and performances featuring artists who live or work in Palm Beach County, and provides additional programming at its headquarters in the historic Robert M. Montgomery, Jr. Building in Downtown Lake Worth Beach. Also on the property are the Roe Green Uniquely Palm Beach Store featuring hand-crafted items by local artists; the Jean S. and Frederic A. Sharf Visitor Information Center, a VISIT FLORIDA-designated Florida Certified Tourism Information Center; and the Project Space, an open-air garden for live music and large-scale sculpture.

The Cultural Council is open to the public from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday. For more information, including a complete calendar of cultural activities in The Palm Beaches, visit palmbeachculture.com.