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ARTS COUNCIL AWARDS GRANTS TO ALASKA ARTISTS, SCHOOLS AND ARTS ORGANIZATIONS

The Alaska State Council on the Arts awarded \$408,317 in operating support grants, \$96,717 for Artists in Schools grants and \$53,450 in grants for special projects to Alaska artists and arts organizations at their recent annual meeting.

Special project grants range from a \$800 grant to Brett Dillingham, Juneau to present a storytelling workshop in Mons, Belgium, to \$4,000 for Jilkaat Kwaan Heritage Center in Haines for a totem carving workshop.

The Alaska State Council on the Arts is funded by the Alaska State Legislature and the National Endowment for the Arts, with support for arts education grants from the Rasmuson Foundation. All grant funding is contingent on final FY12 State of Alaska appropriation.

For a complete list of the projects, or grants by community, contact ASCA at 907.269.6610 or 1.888.278.7424. Grants are also posted at: www.eed.state.ak.us/aksca

Operating Support Annual Grants

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| Alaska Arts Education Consortium | Juneau | \$9,600 |
| Alaska Chamber Singers | Anchorage | \$2,850 |
| Alaska Children's Institute for the Performing Arts | Kenai | \$3,250 |
| Alaska Design Forum | Anchorage | \$8,850 |
| Anchorage Classical Ballet | Anchorage | \$2,000 |
| Anchorage Community Theater | Anchorage | \$4,500 |
| Anchorage Youth Symphony | Anchorage | \$2,700 |
| Denali Arts Council | Talkeetna | \$8,550 |
| Fairbanks Drama Assoc. & Childrens Theater, Inc. | Fairbanks | \$5,300 |
| Palmer Arts Council | Palmer | \$2,000 |
| Patrons of the Kenai Visitors and Cultural Center | Kenai | \$3,000 |

Operating Support Two Year Grants

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| Alaska Arts Southeast, Inc. | Sitka | \$16,033 |
| Alaska Dance Theatre, Inc. | Anchorage | \$15,921 |
| Alaska Junior Theatre | Anchorage | \$8,450 |
| Alutiiq Heritage Foundation | Kodiak | \$18,000 |
| Anchorage Concert Association | Anchorage | \$16,849 |
| Anchorage Concert Chorus | Anchorage | \$3,300 |
| Anchorage Museum Association | Anchorage | \$20,124 |
| Anchorage Opera | Anchorage | \$14,455 |
| Anchorage Symphony Orchestra | Anchorage | \$13,291 |
| Bunnell Street Art Center | Homer | \$8,068 |
| Fairbanks Arts Association | Fairbanks | \$17,200 |
| Fairbanks Concert Association | Fairbanks | \$20,500 |
| Fairbanks Summer Arts Festival | Fairbanks | \$14,400 |
| Fairbanks Symphony Association | Fairbanks | \$15,652 |
| First City Players | Ketchikan | \$8,978 |
| Homer Council on the Arts | Homer | \$13,000 |
| Homer Society of Natural History, Inc. | Homer | \$20,776 |
| Juneau Arts & Humanities Council | Juneau | \$13,230 |
| Juneau Jazz & Classics | Juneau | \$9,332 |
| Juneau Symphony | Juneau | \$8,320 |
| Ketchikan Area Arts and Humanities Council | Ketchikan | \$13,000 |
| Kodiak Arts Council | Kodiak | \$14,771 |
| North Star Dance Foundation | Fairbanks | \$3,646 |
| Out North | Anchorage | \$17,824 |
| Perseverance Theatre, Inc. | Douglas | \$20,500 |
| Sitka Summer Music Festival | Anchorage | \$10,097 |

Artist in Schools Grants

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| Airport Heights Elementary | Anchorage | \$2,310 |
| Bering Straits School District | Shishmaref, Teller, White Mountain, Golovin, Savoonga, Stebbins, St. Michael, Unalakleet | \$15,000 |
| Bunnell Street Art Center | Homer, Seldovia, Nikolaevsk, Anchor Point | \$10,000 |
| Copper River School District | Kenny Lake, Glennallen | \$4,000 |
| Fairbanks Arts Association | Fairbanks | \$15,000 |
| Juneau Arts & Humanities | Juneau | \$15,000 |
| Kasuun Elementary PTA | Anchorage | \$3,420 |
| Kenai Peninsula-McNeil Canyon School | Homer | \$1,157 |
| Kodiak Island School District | Kodiak Island | \$14,735 |
| Media Action | Takotna & Shageluk | \$4,740 |

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| Mat Su SD - Cottonwood School | Wasilla | \$2,145 |
| Pribilof School District | St. Paul & St. George | \$3,720 |
| Wrangell Public Schools | Wrangell | \$1,490 |
| Yukon-Koyukuk School District | Manley Hot Springs, Allakaket | \$4,000 |

Career Opportunity Grants

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| Brett Dillingham | Juneau | \$800 |
| Carmel Irons Anderson | Ketchikan | \$900 |
| Sarah Grunwaldt | Anchorage | \$800 |
| Mark Muro | Anchorage | \$600 |
| Peter Porco | Anchorage | \$800 |
| Sheryl Reily | Ester | \$900 |
| Valerie Thurston | Anchorage | \$700 |

Community Arts Development Grants

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| Alaska String Camps | Eagle River | \$1,000 |
| Jilkaat Kwaan Heritage Center | Klukwan | \$4,000 |
| Kenai Peninsula Orchestra, Inc. | Homer | \$2,500 |
| Kids in Motion/Denali Arts & Humanities Council | Denali Park | \$1,000 |
| Pier One Theatre, Inc. | Homer | \$4,000 |
| Richardson Highway Rendezvous/KCHU Terminal Radio | Valdez | \$750 |
| Seldovia Arts Council | Seldovia | \$4,500 |
| Seward Arts Council | Seward | \$2,500 |
| Sitka Jazz Festival | Sitka | \$4,500 |
| Southeast Alaska State Fair | Haines | \$3,000 |
| Tanana Chiefs Conference | Fairbanks | \$1,000 |
| The Island Institute, Inc. | Sitka | \$4,500 |
| Valley Performing Arts, Inc. | Wasilla | \$3,000 |

Master Artist and Apprentice Grants

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| Robin Lovelace Smith/Tommy Joseph | Anchorage, Sitka | \$2,000 |
| Ryan Olson/Teri Rofkar | Juneau, Sitka | \$3,000 |

Walker Arts Grants

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| Fairbanks Concert Association | Fairbanks | \$2,000 |
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Workshop Grants

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| Alaska Photographic Center | Anchorage | \$1,000 |
| Alaska Theatre of Youth | Anchorage | \$500 |
| Alaska Watercolor Society | Anchorage | \$1,300 |
| Association of Alaskan Blacksmiths | Palmer | \$1,300 |
| Museums Alaska | Anchorage | \$1,300 |
| Out North | Anchorage | \$1,300 |

The mission of the Alaska State Council on the Arts (ASCA) is to foster the development of the arts for all Alaskans through education, partnership, grants and services. ASCA is a division of the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development, and is governed by eleven council members appointed by the Governor. It is supported with general funds appropriated by the Alaska State Legislature and the National Endowment for the Arts, with additional support for arts education programs from the Rasmuson Foundation.

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