



CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT GRANT AWARDS
and PROJECTS
for
2008 – 2009

The purpose of the Cultural Development Grants Programs is to enhance the stability and development of both well-established and emerging nonprofit, tax-exempt literary, visual and performing arts and cultural organizations based in Pinellas County, through a competitive grants program.

Level I Organizations (operating budgets less than \$100,000):

- City Players, Inc.:** \$3,726 for summer musical at Ruth Eckerd Hall;
- Florida West Ballet, Inc.:** \$3,825 for professional training and performances for young dancers;
- Florimesso, Inc.:** \$8,761 for music education and performances;
- Pinellas County African American History Museum, Inc.:** \$3,759 for the 10th anniversary African-American Heritage Festival;
- Sunsation Show Chorus, Inc.:** \$3,606 for “Sunsation Mini-Shows” for seniors in assisted living communities;
- Tampa Bay Symphony, Inc.:** \$9,523 for 2008 – 09 Performance Season;

Levels II & III organizations (operating budgets over \$100,000):

- The American Stage Company, Inc.:** \$29,005 for the 2008-2009 School Tour and American Stage in the Park;
- The Arts Center Association, Inc.:** \$26,424 for “Word and Image”, “Kidventures in Art”, & Academy Prep programs;
- Clearwater Jazz Holiday Foundation, Inc.:** \$10,180 for the “Jazz & Art Walk for the 29th Annual Clearwater Jazz Holiday Festival”;
- Creative Clay, Inc.:** \$24,972 for “Artlink 2009” program
- The Dunedin Fine Art Center, Inc.:** \$25,321 for Youth Education Interactive Outreach programs;
- Dunedin Historical Society, Inc.:** \$15,453 for “Pinellas County: A Century of Political Change” exhibition;
- First Night of St. Petersburg, Inc.:** \$10,155 for First Night 2009 with theater, music, dance, and visual arts programming for all ages;
- Florida Craftsmen, Inc.:** \$24,224 for “Rock, Paper, Scissors”;
- Florida Holocaust Museum, Inc.:** \$29,336 for “Pieces for Peace” & “Icons of Loss: Angels and the Warsaw Boys” exhibitions;
- The Florida Orchestra, Inc.:** \$29,801 for the 2008 – 09 Masterworks series;
- Great Explorations, Inc.:** \$28,167 for “Foster Great Futures” Program for children in foster care;
- Life Force Cultural Arts Academy, Inc.:** \$20,884 for artistic training and development along with performance opportunities for underserved youth;
- Museum of Fine Arts of St. Petersburg, Florida, Inc.:** \$28,805 for Albrecht Durer exhibition;
- Panama Canal Museum, Inc.:** \$11,455 for “The Panama Canal in Florida History, Economy and Culture” exhibition;

Pier Aquarium, Inc.: \$24,798 for family education events “Ocean in Motion”, “FISH-ful Saturdays” and “Fishy Business”;

Pinellas Youth Symphony, Inc.: \$13,449 for strings program for beginning through advanced students K – 12;

Ruth Eckerd Hall, Inc.: \$28,407 for community arts and education programs;

St. Petersburg Little Theatre, Inc.: \$22,872 the “Stage as Classroom” and Theatre Educational Outreach through mainstage productions;

St. Petersburg Historical Society, Inc. (Museum of History): \$25,553 to develop a field trip program for 4th and 5th graders;

St. Petersburg International Folk Fair Society, Inc. (SPIFFS): 10,852 for Folk Fair;

Salvador Dali Museum, Inc.: \$30,398 for the Wilfredo Lam Exhibition;

The Science Center of Pinellas County, Inc.: \$25,263 to support the Mobile Outreach Program which brings hands-on science programs to audiences of all ages and diverse cultural and economic backgrounds;

The Studio@620, Inc.: \$20,782 for *Tommy J. and Sally* original theatre piece.

Total awards to support arts and cultural organizations to enhance the quality of life for residents and visitors alike was \$574,897. Funding is provided by the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners.