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United Arts Council Announces Grants That Support the Arts Across Wake County

[Raleigh, N.C.] – The United Arts Council of Raleigh and Wake County announces the investment of \$279,958 in grants across Wake County in support of arts programming in the current fiscal year. United Arts awarded 53 grants to support arts programming presented by 50 Wake County organizations, schools and municipalities.

Championing Arts Education

As a champion of arts education, United Arts is dedicated to making the arts fundamental to education, particularly in supporting programs that serve Pre-K - 12 students.

School Project Grants/School Planning and Innovation Grants Recipients:

- East Wake High
- Hodge Road Elementary
- Ligon Middle
- Rogers Lane Elementary
- St. Mary Magdalene Middle
- Sterling Montessori Charter School
- Wendell Elementary
- Wilburn Elementary
- York Elementary
- Zebulon Middle

Youth Arts Grants Recipients:

- Artspace, Inc.
- Arts Together
- Burning Coal Theatre Company
- CAM Raleigh
- Community Music School

- Kidznotes
- Marbles Kids Museum
- North Carolina Arts in Action
- North Carolina Chamber Music Institute
- North Carolina Theatre
- North Raleigh Arts and Creative Theatre
- Performance Edge
- Philharmonic Association
- Raleigh Boychoir
- Raleigh Little Theatre
- Wake Forest Community Youth Orchestra

Building Community

United Arts is dedicated to serving all of Wake County – a large metropolitan area with growing and diverse populations including numerous ethnicities and special needs communities. Recipients in the following grant categories help all of us build a better community.

Arts for Municipalities Grants Recipients:

- Cary Community Choir
- Concert Singers of Cary
- Town of Cary
- Town of Fuquay-Varina
- Town of Garner
- Town of Knightdale
- Town of Wake Forest Renaissance Centre
- Town of Wendell
- Town of Zebulon
- Towne Players of Garner
- Wake Forest Arts

Cultural Access Grants Recipients:

- African American Cultural Festival
- Artspace, Inc.
- Diamante, Inc.
- El Pueblo
- Hum Sub
- North Carolina Museum of History Associates
- North Raleigh Arts and Creative Theatre
- Raleigh Little Theatre
- The Justice Theater Project
- Visual Art Exchange

Arts Services Grants Recipients:

- Arts Access
- Classical Voice of North Carolina

Building Capacity in the Arts

United Arts is committed to supporting a new generation of arts programmers for Wake County through grants and other services to formative groups. By supporting the following grantees, United Arts Council continues to build capacity in the arts.

New Generation Grants Recipients:

- Capital City Steppers
- Oak City Voices
- Women’s Theatre Festival
- Zebulon Downtown Arts Council

Of the 14 new grantees this year, two are the towns of Wendell and Zebulon. Both received grants to enrich the lives of their communities through arts festivals, musical and dance performances and exhibitions by area artists. A total of seven municipalities received almost \$53,000 from United Arts this year for arts programming across Wake County. More information on all [current grantees](#) can be found on the United Arts website.

“We are proud to support arts programming provided by the towns of Wendell and Zebulon and our other 48 grantees this year,” said United Arts President and CEO, Eleanor Oakley. “From the stage to the classroom - and everywhere in between – the arts are changing lives in Wake County, and United Arts is honored to be a part of our thriving arts community.”

The United Arts Council of Raleigh and Wake County, based in Raleigh, NC, was incorporated in 1990. Our mission is to build better communities through the support and advocacy of the arts. For the 2017/18 school year United Arts helped bring in teaching artists to 150 schools in Wake County through its Artists in Schools program. The United Arts Council also offers grants to organizations, communities and individual artists and provides services to the community such as advocacy, resource development, professional/leadership development and special projects. The grants, programs and services of United Arts reach over 1.2 million people annually in Wake County.

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