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## ***UNITED ARTS AWARDS ORANGE COUNTY VENUE SUBSIDY GRANTS TO 33 ARTS AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATIONS***

**ORLANDO – December 6, 2022** – United Arts of Central Florida (United Arts) announced the 33 recipients of its fourth cycle of Orange County Venue Subsidy Grants, increasing the number of grantees from last year’s 30 organizations.

“This program provides the community with even more intriguing and inclusive programming from Central Florida arts and cultural organizations,” said Jennifer Evins, President & CEO of United Arts. “We are continually thankful to Orange County for partnering with United Arts and providing this funding to create more opportunities for the arts in Central Florida.”

This grant program addresses the critical need for cultural nonprofits of all sizes to be better able to afford venues within Orange County to present their diverse programming. United Arts developed this grant program in conjunction with Orange County. It is funded through a \$500,000 allocation from Orange County Government with the goal to bring more arts and cultural programs to Orange County.

A total of \$500,000 will be awarded to the 33 grantees, exhausting the total allocation from Orange County. This will include 14 diverse organizations and four organizations will be receiving a grant from United Arts for the first time. Venue Subsidy grants will support more than 50 productions and/or exhibitions, in 27 unique venues in Orange County.

“The support of the Venue Subsidy grant is mission critical to provide Central Florida the opportunity to enjoy the highest quality performances by some of today’s most celebrated artists,” said Tammy Weber de Millar, Director at Orlando Flamenco. “Thanks in part to this grant, Orlando Flamenco will be able to once again offer a stellar performance by Flamenco luminary, Carlos Rodriguez, in our January 28, 2023, “Dracula,” but this time, to an audience including hundreds of Orange County Public School students!”

FY23 Orange County Venue Subsidy Grant Recipients:

**The Association to Preserve the Eatonville  
Community (P.E.C.)**

Funding Amount: **\$1,875**  
Venue(s): Winter Park Library and Events  
Center

**CAYA Network**

Funding Amount: **\$12,900**  
Venue(s): CASA Culture

**Bach Festival Society of Winter Park**

Funding Amount: **\$10,763**  
Venue(s): Dr. Phillips Center for the Performing  
Arts

**Central Florida Ballet**

Funding Amount: **\$50,000**  
Venue(s): Orange County Convention Center

**Central Florida Community Arts**Funding Amount: **\$20,466**

Venue(s): Dr. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts; Lake Buena Vista High School; Trinity Preparatory School

**Central Florida Vocal Arts**Funding Amount: **\$31,517**

Venue(s): Edyth Bush Charitable Foundation; Dr. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts; Orlando Repertory Theatre

**Chance 2 Dance**Funding Amount: **\$994**

Venue(s): Edgewater High School

**Creative City Project**Funding Amount: **\$37,350**

Venue(s): Dr. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts

**D.T.O. Jazz Fest Inc**Funding Amount: **\$1,221**

Venue(s): Harriett's Orlando Ballet Centre

**Descolonizarte Teatro, Inc.**Funding Amount: **\$1,589**

Venue(s): Orlando Repertory Theater; Timucua Arts Foundation

**Emergence Dance Artists**Funding Amount: **\$1,125**

Venue(s): Marshall Ellis Dance School

**Emotions Dance**Funding Amount: **\$1,562**

Venue(s): Harriett's Orlando Ballet Centre

**Escuela De Bomba Y Plena Tata Cepeda**Funding Amount: **\$297**

Venue(s): University High School

**Florida Symphony Youth Orchestras**Funding Amount: **\$1,987**

Venue(s): First United Methodist Church of Orlando; Timucua Arts Foundation

**FusionFest Inc.**Funding Amount: **\$44,375**

Venue(s): Dr. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts

**Global Peace Film Festival**Funding Amount: **\$1,039**

Venue(s): Enzian Theater

**International Fringe Festival of Central Florida (Orlando Fringe)**

Funding Amount: \$42,302

Venue(s): John and Rita Lowndes Shakespeare Center; Orlando Museum of Art; Orlando Repertory Theatre; Orlando Garden Club

**Licorice Sticks Clarinet Orchestra, The (aka The LCO)**Funding Amount: **\$3,038**

Venue(s): Dr. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts

**Little Radical Theatrics Inc.**Funding Amount: **\$7,579**

Venue(s): John and Rita Lowndes Shakespeare Center

**Messiah Choral Society**Funding Amount: **\$6,278**

Venue(s): Dr. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts

**New Generation Theatrical Inc.**Funding Amount: **\$4,730**

Venue(s): The Abbey

**Open Scene, Inc.**Funding Amount: **\$2,580**

Venue(s): John and Rita Lowndes Shakespeare Center; Casa Culture

**Opera Orlando**Funding Amount: **\$50,000**

Venue(s): Dr. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts

**Orlando Ballet**Funding Amount: **\$50,000**

Venue(s): Dr. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts

**Orlando Community Arts**Funding Amount: **\$14,906**

Venue(s): Dr. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts

**Orlando Flamenco**Funding Amount: **\$3,784**

Venue(s): Dr. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts

**Orlando International Film Festival, Inc.**Funding Amount: **\$11,278**

Venue(s): University of Central Florida; Marriott Hotel

**Orlando Philharmonic Orchestra**Funding Amount: **\$50,000**

Venue(s): Dr. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts

**Orlando Urban Film Festival (OUFF)**Funding Amount: **\$9,736**

Venue(s): Dr. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts; Lake Eola Disney Amphitheater; CMX Cinemas Plaza 12; Orlando Museum of Art

**Playwrights' Round Table**Funding Amount: **\$7,912**

Venue(s): John &amp; Rita Lowndes Shakespeare Center

**So You Want Your Name In Lights Corporation**Funding Amount: **\$1,781**

Venue(s): SLG Rentals Discount Music Center; CASA Culture; Shiloh Baptist Church

**Teatro for the Soul**Funding Amount: **\$3,182**

Venue(s): John &amp; Rita Lowndes Shakespeare Center

**Winter Park Improvement Foundation**Funding Amount: **\$11,854**

Venue(s): Winter Park's Central Park

United Arts thanks the five-member panel, comprised of board members from Orange County Arts and Cultural Affairs Advisory Council, board members from United Arts of Central Florida and staff, who reviewed and rated all applications.

If funded again for FY24, United Arts will offer a workshop and reopen the application portal for the next cycle of Venue Subsidy Grants in Fall of 2023. Applicants are eligible for a maximum of \$50,000 and not more than 50% of the total venue-related rental costs for performances and exhibitions, per fiscal year. Organizations can learn more at [www.UnitedArts.cc/Orange-County-grants/](http://www.UnitedArts.cc/Orange-County-grants/).

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**About United Arts of Central Florida**

United Arts of Central Florida is the local arts agency uniting the community and fueling the arts. With the help of individual donors, corporations, foundations and public funding, United Arts inspires creativity, builds community and strengthens the economy in Central Florida. United Arts is proud to facilitate arts education programs for all ages and provide critical funding and comprehensive marketing for local art, science, and history organizations and individual artists. Leading the second largest collaborative fundraising campaign in the country and uniting over 30 of the region's cornerstone arts and cultural organizations, United Arts is dedicated to ensuring the arts are for all.

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