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## REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: **Mayor & Council** DATE: **June 19, 2019**

FROM: **General Manager, Parks, Recreation & Culture** FILE: **7800-01**  
**General Manager, Finance**

SUBJECT: **Second Supplemental Funding Request – 2019 Cultural Grants Program**

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## RECOMMENDATION

The Parks, Recreation & Culture Department and the Finance Department recommend that Council:

1. Receive this report for information; and
2. Approve under the Cultural Grants Program three supplemental grants totalling \$14,000 as generally described in this report.

## INTENT

The purpose of this report is to obtain approval for the issuance of three supplemental grants under the Cultural Grants Program (the “Program”) for 2019.

## BACKGROUND

At its Regular meeting on January 30, 2019 Council adopted the recommendations of Corporate Report No. R015; 2018 titled “Cultural Grants Program - 2019 Grant Allocations” and provided approval of cultural grants to ninety-seven (97) organizations totalling \$502,750. At its Regular meeting on April 15, 2019 Council adopted the recommendations of Corporate Report No. R073; 2019 titled “Supplemental Funding Request – 2019 Cultural Grants Program” and provided approval to one supplemental grant totalling \$4,000. Therefore, the remaining amount of funding available for Council’s allocation for emerging projects throughout 2019 is \$109,632.

## DISCUSSION

Since April 2019, the City has received three supplemental grant applications. Following is a summary of the three supplemental grant applications received:

**ArtsCan Resource Network**

Funding is requested to support “Digital Doorways”, a short, accessible and expertise-supported program aimed at teaching local artists and artisans how to make use of digital technologies in their arts practices through experiential learn-by-doing team projects. The Evaluation Committee recommends awarding full funding of \$5,000 to support this project.

**Seniors Create (South Granville Seniors Centre)**

Funding is requested to support “View From a Window”, a one-act theatre performance with a community engagement component fostering social engagement relating to society’s fastest growing demographic: seniors. Local community members will be invited to connect through theatre, and dialogue around what it is like to age and how to celebrate getting older. Performances will take place at Centre Stage and as part of Surrey Seniors’ Week. The Evaluation Committee recommends awarding full funding of \$5,000 to support this project.

**Society of the South Asian Network for Secularism and Democracy**

Funding is requested to support a three-hour multimedia theatrical production honouring 15 Pakistani women authors, poets, dancers, actors, and leaders for their life-long contributions to society. Produced at Centre Stage, the show will also celebrate the lives of women who continue to engage and create in the fields of art, activism, poetry, theater in Pakistan and right here in Metro Vancouver. The Evaluation Committee recommends partial funding of \$4,000 to support this project.

Evaluation of Application

The application was reviewed by the City staff members of the Evaluation Committee using a point rating system against the following Program criteria:

- Merit of the initiative for which grant funding is requested;
- Potential community impact of the initiative; and
- Health and capacity of the applicant organization to carry out the initiative.

Based on their evaluation, the Evaluation Committee recommends that Council approve under the Cultural Grants Program three supplemental grants totalling \$14,000.

Status of Program Funding

Following is a summary of the 2019 Cultural Grant Program funding allocation to date:

2019 Cultural Grants Budget	\$500,000
2019 Available funding*	\$616,382
Grant funding allocated to date	\$506,750
Unallocated balance	\$109,632

\*available funding includes the approved annual grant budget and unallocated funding carried forward from previous years.

Appendix “1” attached to this report provides information on the status of funding related to the Cultural Grants Program, based on the assumption that Council will approve the recommendation outlined in this report. The balance of available funds will be retained as a contingency for extemporaneous grants.

## FUNDING

### Distributing the Cultural Grants

In accordance with the Program Guidelines and subject to approval of the grants by Council the applicants will receive eighty percent (80%) of the approved grant funding up front with the remaining balance to be forwarded to the applicants upon the receipt and acceptance by the City of a final report submitted by the applicants that demonstrates that the work or activity for which the grant was awarded has been duly completed.

## SUSTAINABILITY CONSIDERATIONS

The work of the Cultural Grants Program supports the objectives of the City's Sustainability Charter 2.0. In particular, this work relates to Sustainability Charter 2.0 theme of Education & Culture. Specifically, this project supports the following Desired Outcomes ("DO") and Strategic Direction ("SD"):

- Arts and Heritage - DO7: An enviable and vibrant arts and heritage sector contributes to Surrey's citizen engagement, enrichment, economy, community liveability and civic pride.
- Arts and Heritage – DO9: Surrey supports and celebrates its diverse artists, cultures and community heritage through inclusive festivals, programs and events.
- Arts and Heritage – DO12: Surrey nurtures a unique participatory community-based arts scene.
- Arts and Heritage – SD8: Support the growth of a diverse arts sector through the development of Surrey's cultural corridor.

## CONCLUSION

The Parks, Recreation & Culture Department and the Finance Department recommend that Council approve under the 2019 Cultural Grants Program the three supplemental grants in the amount of \$14,000 as generally described in this report.

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### Appendix "I" Status of Cultural Grants Program Funding for 2019

**APPENDIX “I”**

**Status of Cultural Grants Program Funding for 2019**



2019 Cultural Grants

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Allocation</b>
2019 Approved Budget	\$500,000
Unallocated Cultural Grant funding from previous years	\$116,382
<b>Available Funding</b>	<b>\$616,382</b>
<b>CAPACITY BUILDING GRANTS</b>	
Cedar Hills Caledonia Pipe Band	\$2,000.00
Crescent Moon Coffee House	\$1,000.00
Friends of the Surrey Museum and Archives Society	\$2,800.00
Kwitka Ukrainian School of Dance	\$1,000.00
North American HanYang Arts and Culture Center Association	\$1,500.00
Soundscape A Capella Chorus	\$3,000.00
Storymama Mandarin Chinese Society	\$500.00
Surrey Choral Arts Project Society	\$3,000.00
Surrey Filipino Canadian Society of BC	\$500.00
Surrey Muse	\$1,000.00
Surrey Photography Club	\$1,000.00
<b>OPERATING GRANTS</b>	
Arts Council of Surrey	\$10,000.00
Handel Society of Music	\$9,200.00
Peninsula Productions Society	\$15,000.00
Royal Canadian Theatre Company	\$15,000.00
Semiahmoo Arts Society	\$15,000.00
Surrey Art Gallery Association	\$15,000.00
Surrey Festival of Dance	\$15,000.00
Surrey International Writers' Conference Society	\$15,000.00
Surrey Little Theatre	\$15,000.00
Surrey Symphony Society	\$15,000.00
<b>PROJECT GRANTS</b>	
African Stages Association of BC	\$7,000.00
AgentC Projects	\$5,000.00
Alexandra Neighbourhood House	\$5,000.00
Art2Heart	\$2,000.00
Artists Among Us	\$1,000.00
Arts Umbrella Association	\$10,000.00

Association Francophone de Surrey	\$4,000.00
Asta Alliance	\$2,000.00
Baobab Inclusive Empowerment Society	\$3,500.00
Barbados Cultural Association of BC	\$3,500.00
BC Chinese Music Association	\$5,000.00
Beach House Theatre Society	\$10,000.00
Borealis String Quartet Society	\$5,000.00
Canada Nepal Friendship and Cultural Society	\$4,000.00
Canadian Women and Art	\$10,000.00
Chinese Village Club	\$2,000.00
Close Look United Foundation	\$5,000.00
Cloverdale Arts and Entertainment Association	\$5,000.00
Community Living Society	\$4,000.00
Cwenengitel Aboriginal Society	\$5,000.00
Dansing Tones Association	\$5,000.00
Darts Hill Garden Conservancy Trust Society	\$5,000.00
DIVERSEcity Community Resources Society	\$1,500.00
Diwali Celebration Society	\$10,000.00
DreamRider Productions Society	\$5,000.00
Empire of the Peace Arch Monarchist Association	\$3,500.00
ESJ School of Fine Arts	\$3,000.00
FlamenConnect	\$1,200.00
Flamingo Square Arts Society	\$2,500.00
Fraser Region Aboriginal Friendship Centre Association (FRAFCA)	\$10,000.00
Fraser Valley Chinese Culture Association	\$5,000.00
Fraser Valley Gilbert and Sullivan Society	\$5,000.00
Fraser Valley Neighborhood Association	\$2,500.00
Ghanaian-Canadian Association of British Columbia	\$5,000.00
Global Peace Alliance, Surrey Society	\$5,000.00
Green Room Theatre Camp	\$5,000.00
Jamaican Canadian Cultural Association of British Columbia	\$5,000.00
Kiwanis Fraser Valley Music Festival Society	\$3,000.00
Latinos in Action	\$4,000.00
Lower Mainland Bengali Cultural Society of BC	\$1,500.00
Mha Puja BC Cultural Group	\$3,000.00
Mother Language Lovers of the World Society	\$5,000.00
Moving Forward Family Services	\$2,000.00
Naad Foundation Inc	\$5,000.00
Naked Stage Productions Society	\$5,000.00
Nepali Women's Association of British Columbia	\$2,000.00
Ocean Park Community Association	\$1,000.00
Prabash Bangla Cultural Society	\$2,500.00
Raghupriya Arts and Culture Society	\$6,500.00
Royal Academy of Bhangra	\$7,000.00
Rungh Cultural Society	\$2,000.00
Semiahmoo Potters Society	\$4,600.00
Sher Vancouver LGBTQ Friends Society	\$2,500.00
Sierra Leonean Community of British Columbia	\$3,600.00

Sikh Heritage Month BC	\$4,000.00
South Asian Arts Society	\$10,000.00
South Asian Family Association	\$3,000.00
Surrey City Orchestra Society	\$10,000.00
Surrey English Teachers' Association	\$3,400.00
Surrey Historical Society	\$1,250.00
Surrey International Folk Dancing Society	\$2,500.00
Surrey Latin Integration Society	\$4,000.00
Surrey Pride Society	\$5,000.00
Tara Rince Society	\$2,500.00
Together We Can	\$1,500.00
Unity Centre Association for Black Cultures (UCABC)	\$2,000.00
Vancouver Cantonese Opera	\$5,000.00
Vancouver Inter-Cultural Orchestra Society	\$5,000.00
Vancouver International Bhangra Celebration	\$10,000.00
Vancouver International South Asian Film Festival	\$10,000.00
Vancouver Tagore Society	\$5,000.00
Westcoast Ensemble	\$2,000.00
Westcoast Harmony Chorus	\$5,000.00
White Rock Chinese Association	\$5,000.00
Young Peoples Opera Society	\$10,000.00
Youth Arts Council of Surrey	\$1,700.00
Z.inc Artist Collective	\$5,000.00

**PROPOSED SUPPLEMENTAL GRANT**

ArtsCan Resource Network	\$5,000
Seniors Create (South Granville Seniors Centre)	\$5,000
Society of the South Asian Network for Secularism & Democracy	\$4,000

<b>Total Allocations for 2019</b>	<b>\$520,750</b>
<b>Unallocated Balance</b>	<b>\$95,632</b>