

California Arts Council 2018-2019 Artists in Communities Project Descriptions

Artists in Communities (AC) centralizes artists and their artistic processes as vehicles for community vitality. AC grants support sustained artistic residencies in community settings. Artists must work closely with organizational partners and community members to produce creative projects that are relevant and responsive to their community. Learn more at http://arts.ca.gov/programs/ac.php.

Number of Grants Awarded: 96 | Total Investment: \$1,425,907

Application ID,	
Organization,	Project Description
County,	
Grant Award Amount	
AC-18-4479	With support from the California Arts Council, 18th Street Arts Complex will commission a new performance from three
18TH STREET ARTS COMPLEX	California artists, Postcommodity (Cristobal Martinez and Kade L. Twist) and Guillermo Galindo. Over the course of a
Los Angeles County	month in July 2019, Postcommodity and Galindo will engage with community members and groups in the Pico
\$14,400	Neighborhood to create sonic landscapes that use local histories as their sources. The new sound work performed live for
	and with community members.
AC-18-5514	With support from the California Arts Council, A Reason to Survive will provide artist residency for six months to two
A REASON TO SURVIVE	artists from the Blindspot Collective theater group. In collaboration with community members of National City, artists
San Diego County	and youth from the Sweetwater school district will collaborate to create an original work of verbatim theatre. Through
\$12,104	this project, youth grow as resident storytellers, while professional actors will perform the piece over a two-week run in
	Spring 2020.
AC-18-5097	With support from the California Arts Council, ABADÁ-Capoeira San Francisco (ACSF) and lead artist Antonio Contreras
ABADA-CAPOEIRA SAN	will provide afterschool, weekend and summertime arts education to youth, grades K-12. Programs focus on Brazilian
FRANCISCO	arts, particularly Capoeira, and are held at our Mission District Capoeira Arts Center. Programs are free or low-cost, and
San Francisco County	target youth with limited access to quality arts education. Funds support artist fees, and some operational costs.
\$14,400	



AC-18-4751	With support from the California Arts Council, Afro Urban Society will implement Aikona!, a storytelling, literary and
AFRO URBAN SOCIETY	performance project exploring individual and shared experiences of heartbreak, doubt and elation in Immigrants of
Alameda County	African descent. Artists will host story-gathering sessions, conduct personal interviews, collect video/audio recordings,
\$16,200	photo, articles, and present a showcase featuring a book release of collected stories.
AC-18-5518	With support from the California Arts Council, artist Anne Bluethenthal and ABD Productions will partner with Larkin
ANNE BLUETHENTHAL AND	Street Youth Services to expand the Skywatchers Youth program for homeless, formerly homeless, and at-risk young
DANCERS	adults ages 18-24 in the Tenderloin neighborhood. Skywatchers creates the space for participants to imagine and
San Francisco County	manifest change in their lives and communities through performance art rooted in their experiences and perspectives.
\$16,200	
AC-18-5433	With support from the California Arts Council, AROC – Arab Resource and Organizing Center will present AICAP/Arab
AROC – ARAB RESOURCE AND	Identity Community Arts Project with visual artists L.A. Hyder and Caryl Henry Alexander and comedian Alex Kumin.
ORGANIZING CENTER	AICAP will ignite imaginations using self-identity to support self-determination, while honoring the experiences of the
San Francisco County	diverse Arab populations in the San Francisco Bay Area. AICAP will serve AROC's Youth Leadership and Adults with
\$16,200	photography, mask making, and comedy.
AC-18-5517	With support from the California Arts Council, Art of Elan will provide Jam Sessions, a 12-week music residency offered
ART OF ELAN	twice serving homeless residents at San Diego Rescue Mission who are transitioning back to independent living. In Jam
San Diego County	Sessions, the award-winning Hausmann Quartet teams up with with local music therapy experts Resounding Joy, to
\$16,200	provide a series of healing, therapeutic workshops to improve the social, emotional, physical, and spiritual well-being of
	individuals and communities.
AC-18-4944	With support from the California Arts Council, Arte Americas The Mexican Arts Center will support an artist residency
ARTE AMERICAS THE MEXICAN	aligned with our 2019 Día de Muertos programming, moving our focus from event-based festivities toward deeper
ARTS CENTER	community-based engagement and a higher level of artist involvement and growth, including a series of free art-making
Fresno County	workshops, community ofrendas, and a convening of participants to reconnect with traditional practices and the cultura
\$16,200	significance of Dia de Muertos.
AC-18-5267	With support from the California Arts Council, Artist Ruth Chase will develop NCArts' Belonging initiative, eliciting
ARTS COLLABORATIVE OF	perspectives on cultural identity from minority populations in what is one of California's most white rural communities.
NEVADA COUNTY	Ideas of Home will be explored through art making salons and theatre, through the lens of our controversial Gold Rush
	history, our native population, and our recent immigrants. Critical bridge-building tools, including a community exhibit
Nevada County	



AC-18-5500	With the support of the California Arts Council, Asian Pacific Islander Cultural Center of San Francisco will carry out a
ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER	yearlong artist residency project featuring poet, playwright, and performer Genny Lim. Components will include: 1)
CULTURAL CENTER	weekly writing workshops featuring senior Asian Americans; 2) culminating reading and performance by participants as
San Francisco County	well as Genny and a musical ensemble; 3) design and production of an anthology of writings from the class, including
\$18,000	both participants and Genny.
AC-18-5458	With support from the California Arts Council, Attitudinal Healing Connection (AHC), in partnership with artist David
ATTITUDINAL HEALING	Burke, will produce our 5th Oakland Super Heroes mural. It will be conceptualized by youth in AHC's West Oakland
CONNECTION INC	Legacy Project, installed on a West Oakland freeway underpass during spring 2020, and culminate in an unveiling
Alameda County	ceremony and block party. The project will bring together local students, artists, and residents while addressing blight
\$18,000	and the impacts of gentrification.
AC-18-5302	With the support of CAC funding, Au Co Vietnamese Cultural Center (Au Co) will implement a yearlong residency project
AU CO VIETNAMESE CULTURAL	in the Vietnamese community working with master artist Van-Anh Vo and her VA'V Ensemble members. Components of
CENTER	the residency will include: two free introductory workshops, 10 rhythm/percussion group classes, and the commission of
San Francisco County	one 5-minute music piece to be performed in a combined ensemble of students, the master artist and her ensemble at
\$16,200	the Legion of Honor in San Francisco in April 2020.
AC-18-5243	With support from the California Arts Council Automata Arts will invite artist Michelle Sui to further develop her project
AUTOMATA ARTS	"Street Angel" in conjunction with curating a Chinese film series, both engaging the local Chinese community in our
Los Angeles County	home neighborhood of Chinatown.
\$12,800	
AC-18-5305	With the support from the California Arts Council, Ayudando Latinos A Soñar will develop an artistic residency in the Half
AYUDANDO LATINOS A SONAR	Moon Bay community that will work with the low-income, underserved Latino community, developing a residency that
San Mateo County	speaks directly to the community and brings art that is relevant to them. We will bring in an artist to develop a program
\$18,000	that brings indigenous danzas to our community, a project that will enlighten the community to the traditions of Mexico.
AC-18-5094	With support from the California Arts Council, Ballet Folklorico Anahuac will develop an artistic residency with master
BALLET FOLKLORICO ANAHUAC	artist Steven Valencia that will develop a program entitled "Movimiento" which will engage our community and develop
Stanislaus County	a folk dance program fused with contemporary dance aimed at inspiring community artist and novice dancers. The goal
\$14,400	of the project is to inspire our community to want to learn more about our culture and educate our community to the
	folk culture of Mexico.
AC-18-5281	With support from the California Arts Council, Bayview Opera House Inc will collaborate with and support choreographer
BAYVIEW OPERA HOUSE INC	Raissa Simpson in her creation of a multimedia dance piece inspired by the paintings of Jazz Age Modernist painter
San Francisco County	Archibald Motley. Simpson will draw from Motley's 1925 painting "The Octoroon Girl," which depicts multiracial figures
\$18,000	of African descent, an early portrayal of racialized identities encapsulated into positive portraits of Black lives.



AC-18-5425	With support from the California Arts Council, Bindlestiff Studio will facilitate a residency with artist Aureen Almario who
BINDLESTIFF STUDIO	will engage community members and local artists through the Belonging Project: Resisting Alienation workshops and
San Francisco County	production. Through a series of storytelling, shadow puppetry and movement workshops culminating in a final
\$9,000	production, the project aims to document and share lived experiences in the ever-changing community in South of
	Market, San Francisco and the Bay Area.
AC-18-4299	With support from CAC, BoomShake Music will engage artists Monica Hastings-Smith and Regina Calloway in a street
BOOMSHAKE MUSIC	drum and song residency to train working-class people of color to explore, create and share music from their ancestral
Alameda County	cultures. Through workshops, street actions and cultural gatherings, this residency will inspire and empower community
\$13,500	members to use music and drumming as tools for creative expression, cultural survival and social change.
AC-18-4668	With the support from the California Arts Council, Brava will produce a residency for San Francisco-based choreographer
BRAVA FOR WOMEN IN THE ARTS	Vanessa Sanchez, which includes free community performances, a panel discussion, and a youth workshop for Chicanx
San Francisco County	residents; along with three showings of Sanchez' Pachuquismo, an all-female multi-discipline theater work that explores
\$16,200	the Zoot Suit Riots of 1943 through the female/Pachucas perspective. The residency takes place June through October
	2019.
AC-18-5128	With support from the California Arts Council, California Shakespeare Theater will continue and expand the 1,001 Stories
CALIFORNIA SHAKESPEARE	Project. Lead Artist Raeshma Razvi, in partnership with women from Middle Eastern, North African, and South Asian
THEATER	communities, will curate the sharing of 1,001 stories as part of the development of a new play, 1,001 Nights – A
Alameda County	Retelling, supporting community resilience through the Story Circle framework beyond the life of the project.
\$18,000	
AC-18-4566	Brazilian Day Arts Project 2019 is focused on expanding the participation of communities in Brazilian Folkloric Arts. The
CASA DE BRAZILIAN FOLKLORIC	project will accomplish this through a three-month program on Brazilian Folkloric Arts in Davis and Sacramento led by
ARTS OF SACRAMENTO	Master Folkloric Brazilian Artist-Mestre Caboclinho, as well as other guest folkloric cultural artists. The 2019 project will
Sacramento County	include a free public festival themed "Brazilian Folkloric Day" and will present various folkloric dances of Brazil.
\$18,000	
AC-18-5180	With support from the California Arts Council, Cat Call Choir will partner with the Women's Building in the Mission
CAT CALL CHOIR	District of San Francisco for a four-month creative residency in Fall 2019. Culminating in a live performance, the free
Alameda County	workshop series will utilize Cat Call Choir's artistic process which engages themes of sexual harassment, assault, and
\$4,500	other forms of gender violence through satirical song. CAC AIC funds will be used for artist stipends and operational
	program costs.
AC-18-5510	With support from the California Arts Council, Chrysalis Studio will support Lead Artist Celeste Chan as a teaching artist in
CHRYSALIS STUDIO	residence at Chrysalis Studio's Queer Ancestors Project WRITES! (QAP WRITES!), a 30-week writing program that serves
San Francisco County	15 emerging queer and transtional aged youth artists aged 18 to 24. Awarded funds will support the artistic and
\$7,094	administrative labor of Celeste Chan.



AC-18-4193	With support from the California Arts Council, the El Cerrito's Art & Culture Commission will partner with Dani Gabriel,
CITY OF EL CERRITO	Poet Laureate, to engage El Cerrito in a multidisciplinary project exploring changing ideas of family in our evolving
Contra Costa	community. This project promotes connection across difference and the many ways people come together to form
County	supportive and nurturing families. It will also look at the realities of the changing Bay Area and the ways economic and
\$7,840	cultural shifts impact families.
AC-18-5351	With support from the California Arts Council, Heidi Duckler Dance (HDD) will partner with HDD's Artistic Director Heidi
COLLAGE DANCE THEATRE	Duckler and her team to curate a series of salons, titled: Up Top @ Bendix, cultivating an artist community to develop
Los Angeles County	and present new work in HDD's rooftop space in the Bendix Building in L.A.'s historic Fashion District.
\$14,400	
AC-18-5467	With support from the CAC, Community Works West Inc will produce an original production featuring recently
COMMUNITY WORKS WEST INC	incarcerated women and directed by Bay Area performer and theater director Ashley Smiley. The theater program, Rising
Alameda County	Voices, will take place over 40 weeks of workshops and rehearsal, and participants will create an original performance
\$14,400	piece inspired by their own lived experiences. Grant funding will support the teaching artist/director as well as program
	and production costs.
AC-18-5313	With support from the California Arts Council, Contra-Tiempo, through founding Artistic Director Ana Maria Alvarez, will
CONTRA TIEMPO	provide a 12-week movement and story-sharing residency for relative caregivers, many of whom are grandmothers and
Los Angeles County	elder women, in the low-income Black and Spanish-speaking community of South Los Angeles.
\$8,100	
AC-18-5285	With support from the California Arts Council, Costanoan Indian Research Inc. or CIR will partner with Native artists
COSTANOAN INDIAN RESEARCH	Kanyon Sayers-Roods and Bernadette Smith to implement the Acorn Project. An intertribal collaboration, the Acorn
INC.	Project is a sharing of both Ohlone and Pomo acorn traditions through the cultural arts with young people (ages 16-25)
San Benito County	from Point Arena and Indian Canyon. CAC funds will be largely used to cover artist fees and transportation costs.
\$14,625	
AC-18-5506	With support from the California Arts Council, Creativity Explored will invite a broad audience to share and reflect on the
CREATIVITY EXPLORED	creative and life journeys of artists with developmental disabilities. Partnering with renowned artist Ana Teresa
San Francisco County	Fernández, CE artists and staff, aided by members of the public, will work together to create art installations
\$16,200	documenting, celebrating and amplifying the passionate mark-making of CE artists through the lenses of multimedia and Latin American Folk Art.
AC-18-4743	With support from the California Arts Council, Dance Elixir will expand our Dabke (Palestinian folk dance) residency with
DANCE ELIXIR	Arab folk dance artist Wael Buhaissy. He will teach 10 free monthly classes that are designed for beginners, accompanied
Alameda County	by live music. Buhaissy will also choreograph his first evening-length Dabke theater show, a 50-minute dance-theater
\$16,200	work of Dabke and live music presented as a four-performance run. All events are free and take place at Temescal Art Center in Oakland.



AC-18-5338	With the support of the California Arts Council, Dell'Arte, Inc. will deepen partnerships with the Wiyot Tribe and the
DELL-ARTE INC	Spring Valley community through two separate theatre-artist residency programs, entitled: Intergenerational Place
Humboldt County	Making through Rural Theatre Arts. Through a co-creative processes, Dell'Arte theatre-artists and community members
\$13,887	
	will engage in workshops, artistic/cultural exchange, and theatre-making that will culminate in a free public performance.
AC-18-4755	With the support of the California Arts Council, Destiny Arts Center (DAC) will collaborate with Risa Jaroslow of Risa
DESTINY ARTS CENTER	Jaroslow & Dancers on the Elders Project, a year-long artist-led residency that explores ways in which elders (60+ years
Alameda County	of age) can draw on life experiences as sources for movement material and choreography. Additionally this residency will
\$16,200	foster artistic collaboration, respect, and support between Oakland elders and teens (ages 13-18).
AC-18-4533	With support from the California Arts Council, DDSO-The Short Center Repertory will create a new Travelling Clown
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES	Theater performance accessible to all, and 21 free workshops exploring clown technique specifically addressed to the
SERVICE ORGANIZATION	Deaf/Hard of Hearing and Blind/Low Vision communities and to adults with developmental disabilities in community-
Sacramento County	based programs, designed by actors who are deaf, or blind, or live with developmental disabilities.
\$16,191	
AC-18-5101	With support from the California Arts Council, Dramatic Results will provide 12 3-hour Photography Cyanotype
DRAMATIC RESULTS	workshops on Saturdays (9:00-noon) over the 2019/20 year for a total of 200, low-income 6th grade Gifted-identified
Los Angeles County	students and their families plus one culminating exhibition of all student/family work to which the public will be actively
\$15,293	engaged to attend. The theme of these workshops will be multi-generational perspectives on "what we value most in our lives."
AC-18-4452	With support from the California Arts Council, East Bay Center for the Performing Arts will develop "Yanga In Mexico," an
EAST BAY CENTER FOR THE	original contemporary dance drama recalling in spirit the coast of 17th century Veracruz. Lead artist and long-time
PERFORMING ARTS	Center Master Artist Artemio Posadas, with assistance from Dolores "Lolis" Garcia, will engage the Richmond community
Contra Costa County	and Center main site and public school outreach students through workshops/classes to assist in the making of this
\$16,200	piece.
AC-18-5383	With the support from the California Arts Council, EOYDC will provide 350 low-income, ethnically diverse youth in East
EAST OAKLAND YOUTH	Oakland with basic and advanced training in the arts, as well as a new initiative that utilizes arts and cultural exploration
DEVELOPMENT CENTER	to connect youth with the history and legacy of African American social justice leaders in Oakland. Bobby Arte will
Alameda County	provide artistic direction for the program and collaborate with other artists to expose and engage young people.
\$18,000	
AC-18-5470	With funding from the CAC, Eastside Arts Alliance and Omnira Institute will collaborate in creating a staged work that
EASTSIDE ARTS ALLIANCE	interweaves African and African American ritual and traditions in music with contemporary hip-hop dance and spoken
Alameda County	word to create a 'choreopoem' called 'Answered Prayers.' Created and performed in increments, the work will provide
\$13,237	needed modern expression of the lived history and current condition of the black community culminating in a full performance lasting 90 minutes.



AC-18-5319	With support from the California Arts Council, Embodiment Project will produce Get Free, a two-week free street dance
EMBODIMENT PROJECT	festival that includes an opening showcase, 30 dance classes and panels, and two experimental battle events. Designed
San Francisco County	and led by choreographer Nicole Klaymoon, Get Free will take place in May 2020 in Oakland and San Francisco. The
\$18,000	project will serve more than 1500 community members, 30 artists, and 75 street dance students.
AC-18-5232	With support from the CAC, Lead Artist and Fresh Meat Productions' (FMP) Artistic Director, transgender choreographer
FRESH MEAT PRODUCTIONS	and dance educator Sean Dorsey will partner with TRANS:THRIVE and work with transgender and gender-nonconforming
San Francisco County	communities in a free workshop series. Our "Dance Your Story" series will lead participants through trans-supportive
\$18,000	dance, writing and self-expression workshops that will provide participants with an artistic "toolkit" to create art that
	tells their own stories.
AC-18-4484	With support from the California Arts Council, Grand Vision Foundation will collaborate with master drummers Kristofer
GRAND VISION FOUNDATION	Bergstrom and Yuta Kato and the LA Taiko Institute to continue Team Taiko, a workshop series in Japanese drumming,
Los Angeles County	designed as a community engagement music-making program. Team Taiko is free and open to the whole community
\$9,600	with the target audience of the adult students at the Harbor Occupational Center in San Pedro who are in vocational or
	continuing education programs.
AC-18-5293	With support from the California Arts Council, Greenly Art Space will facilitate an artist's residency that will culminate in
GREENLY ART SPACE	an exhibit featuring the paintings of emerging artist Juan M. Gomez. His work is rooted in his personal experience as a
Los Angeles County	working-class artist who struggles with mental illness, but emphasizes universal themes of perseverance and overcoming
\$9,268	obstacles. Gomez will receive mentoring from Greenly Art Space's Curator for his first solo exhibit.
AC-18-5031	With the support from the California Arts Council, Hanford Multicultural Theater Company proposes to enrich our
HANFORD MULTICULTURAL	community with hands-on community activities to culminate in the production of Alicia in Wonder Tierra (Or I Can't Eat
THEATER COMPANY	Goat Head), a multi-ethnic play that celebrates diversity and cultural pride. A multicultural artist and artistic staff will
Kings County	provide the community with free weekend workshops to teach elements of theater production right in their own
\$14,384	hometown.
AC-18-5342	With support from the California Arts Council, Higher Gliffs (dba Community Rejuvenation Project) will develop and
HIGHER GLIFFS INC	implement a robust community engagement process for the design of a large scale community mural on the Greenlining
Alameda County	Institute's 360 Center in downtown Oakland.
\$14,400	
AC-18-4491	With support from the California Arts Council, Hope Mohr Dance's Bridge Project will fund lead artists Randy Reyes,
HOPE MOHR DANCE	David Herrera and Yayoi Kambara in a yearlong Community Engagement Residency. Through the creation of an Artists of
San Francisco County	Color Council, mentorship of Latinx choreographers and implementation of organizational equity statements, the artists
\$18,000	will create safe spaces for artists of color to share resources, make art, and galvanize the dance community to challenge inequity in the field.



AC-18-5324	With support from the California Arts Council, we will continue developing the Sprayview, an outdoor museum in the
IMPRINT CITY	Bayview community, an historically African American neighborhood and San Francisco's designated African American
San Francisco County	Cultural District. We will partner with Native artist Malik Seneferu and local community Bayview-based gardeners to
\$16,200	curate a new mural installation as well as a series of free arts-based public engagements with a focus on health and wellness themes.
AC-18-5436	With support from the California Arts Council, inkBoat will partner with Love the Bulb, a non-profit organization that
INKBOAT INC	curates artistic activities at the Albany Bulb, to create the multi-disciplinary performance piece, "The Storm in My
San Francisco County	House." InkBoat and Love the Bulb will work together to facilitate three community engagement events and the
\$11,600	premiere performance of "The Storm in My House" at the Albany Bulb October 18-19, 2019.
AC-18-5345	With support from the California Arts Council, Japanese American Cultural and Community Center will support Shodō for
JAPANESE AMERICAN CULTURAL	Little Tokyo (S4LT) Program, a bilingual Japanese Calligraphy workshop series, that provides space for individual
AND COMMUNITY CENTER	creativity, expression skill building, and strengthens individual wellness. S4LT will serve 40 low-income senior residents
Los Angeles County	across 30 sessions, and over 3,500 audience members through the three public demonstrations/exhibitions and final
\$18,000	online and printed booklet.
AC-18-5205	With support from the California Arts Council, Kaisahan of San Jose is requesting funding to offer free Filipino folk dance
KAISAHAN OF SAN JOSE	classes to 200 participants with no dance experience, ranging in ages from 6 to 60. Classes will be held at two
Santa Clara County	community centers in San Jose, CA using a cultural-based dance curriculum, culminating in a final performance activity at
\$13,500	the end of the project.
AC-18-5142	With support from the California Arts Council, Kaleidoscope Chamber Orchestra will partner with lead artist Danny Clay
KALEIDOSCOPE CHAMBER	to bring a series of interactive musical workshops to the residents of the Union Rescue Mission on Skid Row. The
ORCHESTRA	workshops will consist of the creation and performance of original compositions developed collaboratively by URM
Los Angeles County	residents, Danny, and Kaleidoscope musicians. The resulting performance and a short film documenting the project will
\$14,400	be free and available to the public.
AC-18-5440	With support from the CAC, Kitka will continue and expand the reach of Harmony and Dissonance: Bulgarian Vocal Arts,
KITKA INC	four weeks of residency programs directed by lead artist Tzvetanka Varimezova, a Los Angeles-based master performer,
Alameda County	teacher, and choral director who specializes in traditional and contemporary Bulgarian vocal music. Residency activities
\$16,200	will include free mass Community Sings, vocal master classes, community choral workshops, collaborative performances,
	and broadcasts throughout California.
AC-18-5290	With support from the California Arts Council, the Lamorinda Arts Council will support Art Moves Project's residency
LAMORINDA ARTS COUNCIL	"You Me Us." AMP presents curated live dance performances with architectural installations in outdoor public spaces.
Contra Costa County	AMP commissions progressive, experimental artists to produce temporary art installations free to the public, sparking
\$4,000	community discourse. Based in Lafayette, the AMP residency presents work by artists in Lamorinda, an area isolated by
	changing traffic patterns.



LANCASTER MUSEUM AND PUBLIC ART FOUNDATION Los Angeles County \$16,200 AC-18-5354 LATINO CENTER OF ART AND	and manage an artist in residence program that focuses on increasing City of Lancaster's residents' participation in the 2020 Census. The museum will partner with Antelope Valley-based, award-winning documentary filmmaker Robin Rosenthal as lead artist. The project may also include additional artists and community leaders Edwin Vasquez and Wyatt Kenneth Coleman.
Los Angeles County \$16,200 AC-18-5354	Rosenthal as lead artist. The project may also include additional artists and community leaders Edwin Vasquez and Wyatt Kenneth Coleman.
\$16,200 AC-18-5354	Kenneth Coleman.
AC-18-5354	
LATINO CENTER OF ART AND	With support from the California Arts Council, the Latino Center of Art and Culture with lead artist Andres Alvarez, eight
	participating artists and five emerging artists will create Lucha Libre: Ser or No Ser, a participatory conceptual art project
CULTURE	with Sacramento residents utilizing Lucha Libre as the vehicle to explore art and identity. The project willi culminate in a
Sacramento County	three-month exhibition at the LCAC gallery.
\$16,200	
AC-18-5304	With support from the California Arts Council, Little Voices will continue our community building and arts engagement in
LITTLE VOICES	Los Angeles, working with songwriter and performer Crystal Starr to provide free concerts for foster youth to strengthen
Los Angeles County	participants' sense of overall well-being. The performances create a safe environment for youth to discuss the emotional
\$14,400	impact of the music and form meaningful connections with one another. Performances occur throughout the year of
	2019 in Los Angeles.
AC-18-4233	With support from the California Arts Council, LACE will present "To Oblivion: a series of meditations," an exhibition
LOS ANGELES CONTEMPORARY	examining the role of transportation infrastructures as they mark L.A.'s physical and social landscapes. Artist-in-residence
EXHIBITIONS INC	Sandra de la Loza will use the concept of oblivion to explore invisible histories, the violence against communities of color
Los Angeles County	by Los Angeles' ever-changing landscape, and the ways these communities have resisted.
\$14,400	
AC-18-4500	With support from the California Arts Council, LA Opera will partner with the Mariachi Conservatory in East LA to
LOS ANGELES OPERA COMPANY	continue The Zarzuela Project, a community celebration of the popular form of Spanish opera. Through yearlong
Los Angeles County	workshops lead by LA Opera teaching artists a performing opera group, made up of 30 community members of all ages,
\$16,200	will study and learn special Mariachi infused Zarzuela performances which will take place across Los Angeles in a variety
	of venues and communities.
AC-18-5471	With the support of the California Arts Council, the Mariposa County Arts Council, Inc. (MCACI) will work with writer,
MARIPOSA COUNTY ARTS	Laura Phillips to provide a year-round poetry class for inmates at the Mariposa Co. Jail. Piloted as a 20-week in 2018, this
COUNCIL INC	program has been a success and there is great desire to see it expanded. The proposed program will: introduce
Mariposa County	participants to field of poetry; workshop original poetry created by participants; provide opportunities for inmates to
\$18,000	share their original work.



AC-18-5181	With support from the California Arts Council, Mid-City Community Music will host California composer, performer and
MID-CITY COMMUNITY MUSIC	teacher James Clarkston in a yearlong performance and teaching residency. Mr. Clarkston will perform his original
San Diego County	flamenco and Mexican-influenced compositions in a series of free community concerts, as well as conduct workshops,
\$16,173	teach private lessons, and host community jam sessions in some of the most ethnically diverse and economically
	disadvantaged neighborhoods in San Diego.
AC-18-5513	With support from the California Arts Council, Old Glove Theatre will produce a new project through coLAB, a Globe
OLD GLOBE THEATRE	program that fosters collaborations between professional artists and community members to create original theatrical
San Diego County	work for their own community. In 2019, lead artist Daniel Jáquez and residents of City Heights will develop a new
\$16,200	performance piece for their 2019 Día de Muertos (Day of the Dead) Festival. Free public performances will be offered in
	City Heights and Balboa Park.
AC-18-5326	With support from the California Arts Council, Outside the Lens and visual artist Stacy Keck will engage individuals with a
OUTSIDE THE LENS	wide range of developmental, physical, and mental disabilities in creative expression through photography. For many,
San Diego County	visual artistic expression is a welcome change from the frustration and difficulty of verbal communication. The year-long
\$16,200	residency will bring the tools of artistic expression to this community and to share their voice with a broader audience.
AC-18-5462	With support from the California Arts Council, the Palo Alto Art Center will conduct a residency project with artist Jill
PALO ALTO ART CENTER	Miller to engage local parents in a series of three two-day workshops, designed to introduce art as a therapeutic and
FOUNDATION	empowering tool for self-expression. Participants will create soft sculptures modeled after objects they have deemed
Santa Clara County	too dangerous for their children to play with. The project includes a free Parent Day and a public exhibition of participant
\$16,200	artwork.
AC-18-5446	With support from the California Arts Council, Peacock Rebellion will work with Artist in Residence Lauren Benetua,
PEACOCK REBELLION	Director of the racial justice arts organization People of Coloring, who will recruit and coach a cohort of trans and gender
Alameda County	non-conforming (gnc) people of color (poc) artists to develop a racial justice trans liberation coloring book. Benetua and
\$16,200	Peacock will also host monthly coloring meet-ups, to gather and color with community members talk.or facilitate an
	activity.
AC-18-5486	With support from the California Arts Council, PATH (People Assisting the Homeless) will conduct our Coming Home to
PEOPLE ASSISTING THE	Music program, a collaboration with Street Symphony that presents professional music performances to formerly
HOMELESS	homeless families and individuals with chronic physical and mental health issues at PATH's housing communities. The
Los Angeles County	performances create a safe space for the musicians and tenants to discuss the emotional impact of the music and form
\$16,200	meaningful connections with one another.



AC-18-4338 PERFORMING ARTS FOR LIFE AND EDUCATION FOUNDATION Los Angeles County \$13,600	With support from the California Arts Council, Performing Arts for Life and Education Foundation will collaborate with the Phillips Temple Curry Scholarship Club in South Los Angeles.
AC-18-5235	With support from the California Arts Council, Pieter will work with Brazilian-born choreographer Marina Magalhães to
PIETER	produce year three of Dancing Diaspora. This seven-month residency includes 36 hours of free dance classes, a daylong
Los Angeles County	Afro-Latin dance festival, andnew for this yearthe development of Dancing Diaspora Collective, a paid performance
\$16,200	group led by Magalhães that generates and exports work throughout Los Angeles in partnerships with regional dance organizations.
AC-18-5448	With support from the California Arts Council, Playground Inc will engage playwright Genevieve Jessee for an artistic
PLAYGROUND INC	residency in partnership with the Potrero Hill Neighborhood House in support of the development of her new work, The
Alameda County	Diaspora Cycle. Genevieve will participate in three two-week residencies at the NABE and Potrero Stage, interviewing
\$16,200	Potrero Hill residents, providing writing workshops, and workshopping her new play about the African Diaspora.
AC-18-5183	With support from the California Arts Council, Playhouse Arts will research, create and perform "Intersections," a
PLAYHOUSE ARTS	multimedia outdoor spectacle that will be performed on Wiyot land, at the intersections of Ninth and L streets in Arcata.
Humboldt County	Using dance, theater, pageantry and video, we will create a piece about intersections; where we pass, meet and collide
\$16,200	with each other.
AC-18-5427	Hip-hop artist Big Rich will conduct an after-school program that'll enhance an estimated 25 at-risk youth of color's
PROJECT LEVEL	artistic, performing, leadership and technical production skills. The project will take place from June 2019 through May
San Francisco County	2020, will enable participants to define and subsequently create and produce new works in dance, music, solo
\$18,000	performance, film or fashion design. Project Level will present the participants' work at a free event at the African American Art and Culture Complex.
AC-18-4372 PUBLIC CORPORATION FOR THE	With support from the California Arts Council, Arts Council for Long Beach will present artist Danny Flores in an artist residency called "Empower Arts" at Centro CHA and at Admiral Kidd Park. This program will serve children and adults in a
ARTS OF THE CITY OF LONG	multigenerational setting by providing hands-on, interactive, visual arts experiences while sharing stories of how to get
BEACH	along with each other and find alternatives to violence as well as exploring the negative consequences of engaging in
Los Angeles County	risky behaviors.
\$16,200	



AC-18-5414	With support from the California Arts Council, QCC-The Center for Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Art & Culture will
QCC-THE CENTER FOR LESBIAN	partner with community-based artist Ramona Webb to conduct the 2019/20 cohort of QCC's Emerging Artists (EA)
GAY BISEXUAL TRANSGENDER	Residency designed to serve the unmet artistic support, resource and fundraising needs of SF Bay Area emerging LGBTQ+
ART & CULTURE	artists. Awarded CAC funds will be used towards the fees for lead artist Ramona Webb, artist honoraria and venue costs
San Francisco County	associated with this project.
\$18,000	
AC-18-5501	With the support from the California Arts Council, QRP will create our first Intergenerational Curatorial Residency (ICR).
QUEER REBELS PRODUCTION	ICR will be a six-month residency and the inaugural residents artists are Shannon Prasad, Gregory Pond, and Dazié Rustin
San Francisco County	Grego-Sykes, three queer and trans people of color (QTPOC) curators who will be responsible for curating and presenting
\$7,711	one work in progress showing and a final performance in November 2019.
AC-18-5491	With support from the California Arts Council, RADAR Productions will produce Show Us Your Spines, a writer's residency
RADAR PRODUCTIONS INC	program in collaboration with the San Francisco Public Library's James C. Hormel LGBTQIA Center. During the grant
San Francisco County	period, RADAR will select 20 emerging queer and trans writers of color who will each complete a month-long residency
\$16,200	with the Hormel Center archives, produce new work, and present it in a public reading the following month at the
	Center.
AC-18-5526	With support from the California Arts Council, The Flight Deck will engage Ayodele Nzinga for a year-long artistic
RAGGED WING ENSEMBLE	residency, including the production of two theatrical productions, a theater summer camp and four community
Alameda County	engagement events to activate the Black Arts Movement Business District. Nzinga and her troupe, The Lower Bottom
\$18,000	Playaz, will promote civic engagement through art, organizing their community to promote cultural resilience, while
	solidifying their own infrastructure.
AC-18-5450	With support from the California Arts Council, Riverside Art Museum will engage residents, stakeholders and artists of
RIVERSIDE ART MUSEUM	the city's low-income Eastside neighborhood to develop a large-scale art installation and neighborhood arts festival
Riverside County	facilitated by Artist-in-Residence Juan Navarro. Through his creative vision, Navarro will work with stakeholders and
\$16,200	diverse artists to curate six individual mural projects that will come together to share the culture and history of Eastside
	families.
AC-18-5366	With the support from the California Arts Council, Sacramento Guitar Society will offer the communities of Sacramento
SACRAMENTO GUITAR SOCIETY	and Davis free access to professionally conducted guitar orchestra for students at all levels. Past funding allowed us to
Sacramento County	expand our guitar orchestra during the 2018/19 fiscal year, and if awarded this grant for a second year, we will be able to
\$4,500	continue the momentum that we have built in the City of Sacramento and City of Davis.



AC-18-5287	With support from CAC, Samahan will be enabled to provide residency to three of its veteran artists with extensive
SAMAHAN FILIPINO AMERICAN	experience in performing and teaching Filipino folk dances and music. They will teach classes and free workshops on
PERFORMING ARTS &	regional Filipino folk dances and accompanying music primarily to young students. They will then choreograph and stage
EDUCATION CENTER	an annual production entitled "PAMANA - Celebrating Heritage Through our Children" in April 2020, which is the
San Diego County	culmination of what the students have learned.
\$9,000	
AC-18-5339	With support from the California Arts Council, San Diego Ballet will provide Lead Artist Javier Velasco's project in
SAN DIEGO BALLET	collaboration with San Diego Pride consisting of two 10-week sessions of hour long, weekly dance classes geared toward
San Diego County	same-sex couples and LGBTQAI+ individuals. Students will learn the components of social dances like the rhumba,
\$16,000	mambo, and cha-cha as well as techniques in partner dancing culminating in a free public showing and attending SDB's
	annual show, "Ritmos Latinos."
AC-18-4681	With support from the California Arts Council, San Diego Repertory Theatre, in partnership with artist Dajahn Blevins, will
SAN DIEGO REPERTORY THEATRE	host Kuumba Fest: San Diego's longest running and premier celebration of African-American expression, culture, and
INC	heritage. Held each February, this four-day performance festival is the culmination and celebration of a year-long process
San Diego County	that engages all ages in fourteen of San Diego's African-American neighborhoods in positive, creative, and community-
\$14,400	building activities.
AC-18-5350	With support from the California Arts Council, the Jewish Film Institute (aka the San Francisco Jewish Film Festival) will,
SAN FRANCISCO JEWISH FILM	through the JFI Filmmaker Residency, provide four filmmakers whose work promotes the exploration and understanding
FESTIVAL	of Jewish identity with creative, marketing, production, and financial support, including staff consultations; office space
San Francisco County	at the Ninth Street Independent Film Center; access to IFC's 80-seat screening room and Media Lab; an annual stipend;
\$16,200	and more.
AC-18-5224	With support from the California Arts Council, Sangam Arts will produce "Precious Scars," a new artistic presentation
SANGAM ARTS	sharing the experiences of Japanese-Americans interned during World War II and their legacies of hope and resilience
Santa Clara County	today. Lead artist Ray Furuta will create the work using interviews with Japanese-American community members as
\$16,200	inspiration. Sangam Arts will present free performances of "Precious Scars" for community members at local venues,
	including museums and libraries.
AC-18-4878	With support from the California Arts Council, Santa Cecilia Orchestra will present "Musica del Pueblo" (Music of the
SANTA CECILIA OPERA AND	Community), which comprises Chamber music workshops and performances at Santa Cecilia Arts & Learning Center for
ORCHESTRA ASSOCIATION	beginning musicians, amateur musicians and retired musicians, particularly adults of color who are underrepresented in
Los Angeles County	most orchestral fields. Our participants will receive coaching, share musical ideas, rehearse together and play in a
\$14,400	performance for the community.
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AC-18-5273	With support from the California Arts Council, Shakespeare-San Francisco will engage California artist Maryssa Wanlass
SHAKESPEARE-SAN FRANCISCO	to lead the "Engagement with As You Like It" project, collaborating with supportive housing partners, their residents, and
San Francisco County	their constituents in an artistic exploration of the themes of love, exile, and adventure central to the 2019 Free
\$16,200	Shakespeare in the Park main stage production of "As You Like It."
AC-18-4485	With support from the California Arts Council, the Siskiyou County Arts Council will support the development of a
SISKIYOU COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL	Regional Barn Quilt Trail in the Klamath Basin to celebrate regional history, art and agriculture and increase tourism. This
Siskiyou County	collaborative effort brings local artists together with the Butte Valley Museum and Historical Society, Rural Klamath
\$8,400	Connects and area residents for the betterment of Siskiyou Co. (Butte Valley, Dorris, Tulelake) and southern Oregon
38,400	(Merrill, Malin and Bonanza).
AC-18-5465	With support from the California Arts Council, SOMArts will partner with Bay Area queer performance trio Toxic Waste
SOMARTS	
	Face to produce a series of four monthly performance workshops for youth participants of Lyric LGBT Youth Center's
San Francisco County	summer program, a panel discussion with diverse stakeholders to brainstorm creative solutions to artist sustainability in
\$15,000	a rapidly gentrifying Bay Area, and a culminating weekend of immersive interdisciplinary performance at SOMArts.
AC-18-5512	With CAC support, artist William Rhodes will conduct 20 quilting workshops serving Black San Francisco elders. The
THE AFRICAN AMERICAN ART	project will result in two 24 8" by 12" quilts with panels informed by the participants' life stories and experiences and
AND CULTURE COMPLEX	that surround a center panel. Rhodes' active partnership with the Black community will be central to the quilts'
San Francisco County	development. In May 2020, AAACC will exhibit the quilts in its Sergeant Johnson Gallery or another location inside the
\$18,000	building.
AC-18-4622	With support from the California Arts Council, Dance Brigade will partner with lead artist Susana Arenas Pedroso to
THE DANCE BRIGADE A NEW	provide a series free Spanish-English bilingual dance classes to low-income Latin American immigrant women with a
GROUP FROM WALLFLOWER	focus on domestic workers, culminating in free public performances in the Mission District – San Francisco's Latino
ORDER	Cultural District. CAC funds will be used primarily for artist fees and costumes.
San Francisco County	
\$16,200	
AC-18-5263	With support from the California Arts Council, The Lab will partner with poet Tongo Eisen-Martin to create Black
THE LAB SF	Freighter Press (BFP). BFP is a platform for supporting Black literary arts, with a specific focus on incarcerated poets, Bay
San Francisco County	Area poets of color, and Black women. BFP builds movement culture by publishing books, curating Black Poetry Night at
\$18,000	the African-American Culture Complex and the East Side Arts Alliance, and organizing the Black Poets Workshop with
	Causa Justa / Just Cause.
AC-18-4912	With support from the California Arts Council, The PGK Project Inc will continue our community work in SouthEast San
THE P G K PROJECT INC	Diego leading free dance classes and free performances at libraries and creative placemaking sites in this region for the
San Diego County	residents of this historically low-income largely Black and Spanish-speaking neighborhood to help strengthen
\$14,400	participants' sense of access to the arts, community connectedness, joy, and overall well-being.



AC-18-5049	With support from the California Arts Council, transcenDANCE will engage in a site-specific community arts residency,
TRANSCENDANCE YOUTH ARTS	Portmanteau, at the Port of San Diego in two neighboring cities, National City & the City of San Diego from July to May
PROJECT	2019. CAC's support will enable transcenDANCE to work with local artists to create new dance works that are inspired by
San Diego County	not only the mixed-usage and design of five public spaces along the Port, but also by the people who live, work and play
\$14,400	at the Port.
AC-18-5309	With support from the California Arts Council, Veteran Arts Project will offer free ceramics courses to veterans, active
VETERAN ARTS PROJECT	duty, spouses, dependents over 12 years of age and the general public at our Vista facility. While the Veterans Art
San Diego County	Project believes that art making, creating and sharing is integral to common beliefs and shared goals, it is this sharing
\$16,200	that will help veterans and the general public become more acquainted with each other through art, art making and shared a exhibition event.
AC-18-5278	With support from the California Arts Council, Viver Brasil Dance Company will continue Samba in the Streets, Viver
VIVER BRASIL DANCE COMPANY	Brasil's community engagement program, in partnership with KAOS Network in the adjacent Peoples Plaza in Leimert
Los Angeles County	Park. This free community engagement program teaches Afro-Brazilian dance, music, and song for youth and adults, as
\$18,000	an aesthetic expression that offers a pathway to joy, resistance and resilience.
AC-18-5322	With support from the California Arts Council, Women's Center for Creative Work will partner with artists Carolyn
WOMEN S CENTER FOR CREATIVE	Pennypacker Riggs and Tany Ling to produce Community Chorus, a free, bi-weekly safe space to join voices in song.
WORK	Artists and musical guests will provide instruction and technique to underserved communities. Under the artists'
Los Angeles County	leadership, Community Chorus will perform at justice-themed public events, create an original song book, and an
\$16,200	exportable model online.
AC-18-5252	With support from the California Arts Council, Women's Audio Mission (WAM)'s Oakland Voices Artist Residency
WOMENS AUDIO MISSION	Program will provide recording residencies, performances, and promotion to advance the careers of underserved local
San Francisco County	women of color artists from Oakland. WAM will commission two artists to create/record new works at WAM's studio and
\$16,200	present them at local venues and engage the artists' communities through live broadcast studio sessions,
	artist/community forums, and performances open to the public.
AC-18-5479	With support from the California Arts Council, YAX will partner with lead artist, Alyssa Aviles, and YAX's other
YOUTH ART EXCHANGE	multidisciplinary visual and performing artists for a series of residencies and a community art show, activating [x]space,
San Francisco County	an arts hub on Mission Street in the Excelsior neighborhood of San Francisco. This project, anticipated from September
\$18,000	2019 to April 2020, will expand the arts in the Excelsior by creating sustained opportunities for creative exchange
	between artists and community.



AC-18-5077 YOUTH SPIRIT ARTWORKS Alameda County \$14,400	With support from the California Arts Council, Youth Spirit Artworks will celebrate the disability rights movements in South Berkeley and the Bay Area. Led by artist Cristiane Dias, youth of the YSA and AlaCosta Center community will cocreate a range of symbols which are meaningful to them, and reproduce their artwork on a products they will sell at the YSA Art Gallery store and at neighborhood businesses and craft street fairs. The project is designed to empower youth
AC-18-4617 YOUTH UPRISING Alameda County \$14,400	through art making. With support from the California Arts Council, Youth Uprising will establish additional artist in residency opportunities for artists in the Oakland area. This will include multimedia, pyrography, videography, makers space, and music production and creative writing classes available to at-risk youth in the community.