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BRAVO GREATER DES MOINES INVESTS NEARLY \$3.9 MILLION IN GRANT FUNDS TO SUPPORT ARTS, CULTURE AND HERITAGE ORGANIZATIONS

DES MOINES, Iowa (December 6, 2019) – Bravo Greater Des Moines (Bravo) announced today Grant Cycle 2020 Cultural Enrichment Grants totaling \$3,886,250. Awards were made to support general operating expenses of 74 arts, culture and heritage organizations across the region. This is the most Bravo has ever invested in a single cycle.

“For 15 years, Bravo’s primary function has been to invest in the outstanding work being done by our community’s cultural partners. The funds granted out to organizations through this program will help support the vibrant cultural community that Greater Des Moines offers to residents and visitors,” said Bravo Executive Director Sally Dix.

View the list of cultural partners receiving Bravo funding at: bravogreaterdesmoines.org.

All Bravo grants are made possible by [17 local government partners](#) that each contribute a portion of hotel/motel tax revenue to Bravo to be invested in arts, culture and heritage organizations and programs – Altoona, Ankeny, Bondurant, Carlisle, Clive, Des Moines, Grimes, Indianola, Johnston, Norwalk, Pleasant Hill, Polk City, Polk County, Urbandale, Waukee, West Des Moines and Windsor Heights. Greater Des Moines’ cultural organizations are a driving factor in the success of the region’s quality of life and economic development, which supports business attraction and retention.

About Bravo Greater Des Moines:

[Bravo Greater Des Moines](#) leverages community resources to maximize impact of arts, culture and heritage to advance regional priorities. Using funds contributed by local government partners, Bravo invests strategically in arts, culture and heritage organizations that contribute to and enhance the quality of life in Greater Des Moines for residents and visitors.



BRAVO GC20 CULTURAL ENRICHMENT GRANT RECIPIENTS

Ankeny Area Historical Society	Girls Rock!Des Moines
Ankeny Art Center	Greater Des Moines Botanical Garden
Ankeny Community Band	Greater Des Moines Community Band
Ankeny Community Chorus	Greater Des Moines Music Coalition
Ankeny Community Theatre	Greater Des Moines Public Art Foundation
ArtForce Iowa	Harmony Central Chorus
Art on the Lake	Harmony Delegation
ASAP (After School Arts Program)	Heart of Iowa Classical Guitar Society
Ballet Des Moines	Heartland Youth Choir
Blank Park Zoo Foundation	Historic Valley Junction Foundation
Carlisle Area Historical Society	Hoyt Sherman Place Foundation
Central Iowa Blues Society	I'll Make Me a World in Iowa
Central Iowa Wind Ensemble	Iowa Architectural Foundation
City Sounds	Iowa Asian Alliance
City Voices	Iowa Gold Star Military Museum
Civic Music Association of Des Moines	Iowa Hall of Pride
Class Act Productions	Iowa Jewish Historical Society
Clive Historical Society	Iowa Latino Community Center
CultureALL	Iowa Stage Theatre Company
Des Moines Art Center	Iowa Youth Chorus
Des Moines Arts Festival	Italian-American Cultural Center of Iowa
Des Moines Children's Museum	Latino Arts Initiative
Des Moines Choral Society	Latino Resources
Des Moines Community Orchestra	Living History Farms
Des Moines Community Playhouse	Mainframe Studios
Des Moines Diversity Chorus	Music Under the Stars
Des Moines European Heritage Association	Pyramid Theater Company
Des Moines Film Society	Salisbury House Foundation
Des Moines Gay Men's Chorus	Science Center of Iowa
Des Moines Metro Opera	State Historical Museum of Iowa
Des Moines Performing Arts	Station 1 Records
Des Moines Symphony Association	Tallgrass Theatre Company
The Des Moines Urban Experience	TheatreMidwest
Des Moines Vocal Arts Ensemble	Urbandale Community Theatre
Des Moines Young Artists' Theatre	Urbandale Historical Society
Downtown Events Group	West Des Moines Historical Society
Gateway Dance Theater	World Food Prize Foundation