

**California Arts Council**  
**2017-2018 Local Impact**  
**Project Descriptions**

The Local Impact program supports community-driven arts projects for small and mid- sized arts organizations. The program fosters equity, access, and opportunity for historically marginalized communities by cultivating community participation in art making, learning, and exposure. Projects provide access to arts participation and/or representation of and by the community identified in the application. Historically marginalized communities include specific ethnic and tribal groups, LGBTQ+, individuals with disabilities, low-income and rural communities, and immigrants and refugees. Learn more at <http://arts.ca.gov/programs/li.php>.

Number of Grants Awarded: 133 | Total Investment: \$1,906,764

Application ID, Organization, County, Grant Award Amount	Project Description
LI-17-2449 <b>Abhinaya Dance Company of San Jose Inc</b> <i>Santa Clara County</i> \$14,400	With support from the CAC, ABHINAYA DANCE COMPANY OF SAN JOSE will partner with the San Jose MultiCultural Artists Guild (SJMAG) to develop and stage a production exploring the non-violence strategies both Cesar Chavez and Gandhi employed to successfully promote social justice. This concert will employ Indian dance and music to portray Chavez’s life and the continuing struggles of farmworkers in California. The work will premiere at San Jose’s Mexican Heritage Theater in spring 2019.
LI-17-2813 <b>Afro Urban Society</b> <i>Alameda County</i> \$18,000	With support from the California Arts Council, Afro Urban Society will produce ‘Bacchanal de Afrique-Wey you dey?’ an interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary Afro Urban festival and performance created from personal narratives of people of African descent answering the question "Wey you dey?" (Pidgin English for “Where were you?”). Festival & new work will premiere in the Bay Area in November 2018.
LI-17-1953 <b>Afrosolo Theatre Company</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$11,760	With support from the California Arts Council, AfroSolo Theatre Company will present the 24th Annual AfroSolo Arts Festival. Under this year’s theme "Our Day Has Come," the festival will give voice to African American solo theater artists, choreographers, visual artists and musicians from the Bay Area. It will include a free outdoor jazz concert, free visual arts exhibit and the Black Voices Performance Series. Grant funds will support costs for personnel, venue rental and insurance.

<p>LI-17-2602 <b>Aimusic School</b> <i>Santa Clara County</i> \$14,400</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Aimusic School artists will bring a Music Heritage of China program to underserved senior citizens in San Francisco Bay Area. We will present authentic traditional music especially operatic music by different Chinese instruments including the Dizi, Erhu, GaoHu, Pipa, Liuqin, Xun, Xiao, Bawu, Ruan, and Sanxian. Grant funds will be used for searching and arranging the music, programming, contacting, scheduling, rehearsals, and performances.</p>
<p>LI-17-2853 <b>The Aja Project</b> <i>San Diego County</i> \$17,975</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, The Aja Project will provide photography-based arts and activism training for transborder youth through a series of workshops to empower them in documenting their everyday encounters of crossing the U.S. Mexico border. Through dialogues with border artists, social justice organizations, and policy makers, participants will create a digital living archive and a large-scale art exhibition exploring the complexities of the transfronterizo experience.</p>
<p>LI-17-2067 <b>Alternative Theater Ensemble</b> <i>Marin County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, AlterTheater will develop 4-6 new plays by California writers from marginalized communities, and produce 1 new play within AlterLab. AlterLab is a multi-year program, working collaboratively within our Native American community and also serving low-income members of our community. We will begin a new cohort of our yearlong residency program, while also dramaturging and workshopping a play created in a previous residency, BR'ER PEACH by Andrew Saito.</p>
<p>LI-17-2899 <b>Anne Bluethenthal and Dancers</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$18,000</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, ABD will strengthen Skywatchers, their program engaging adult residents of the San Francisco's Tenderloin neighborhood as co-creators of performances that reflect their lives and stories. In this phase of work, ABD and Skywatchers participants will produce year 2 of At the Table, a series of performances that choreographically animates the visions and demands for housing justice of homeless and formerly homeless residents of the Tenderloin.</p>
<p>LI-17-2611 <b>Asian American Women Artists Association Inc</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$18,000</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Asian American Women Artists Association (AAWAA) will present Agrariana, an exhibition in two locations inspired by the rich history of Asian Pacific American agricultural activities, crafts, and present-day community farming - and how it relates to our cultural legacies, art practice, and community placemaking. Agriariana will expand narratives, increase art opportunities for APA women, and present culturally relevant art to local audiences.</p>
<p>LI-17-2531 <b>Asian Pacific Islander Cultural Center</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, APICC will commission and present new work by Nancy Hom and a retrospective of her 45-year art career in San Francisco. Co-presented by Luggage Store Gallery, the show will include curated silkscreens, photos of sculptures and mandalas, and her process. A new evolving mandala on SF as a political, cultural, and environmental sanctuary city, Hom will engage community members to make items for the mandala as it morphs during the exhibition.</p>

<p>LI-17-2415 <b>Attitudinal Healing Connection Inc</b> <i>Alameda County</i> \$18,000</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Attitudinal Healing Connection (AHC) will produce a Super Heroes mural at St. Andrew's Plaza in West Oakland celebrating the histories and cultural identities of low income elders residing around the plaza. The elders will conceptualize their super heroes through participation in AHC's Self as Super Hero curriculum, and long time local artist James Gayles will then use the elders' concepts to design and install a 24'x8' mural.</p>
<p>LI-17-2850 <b>Au Co Vietnamese Cultural Center</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$14,400</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, AU CO VIETNAMESE CULTURAL CENTER will work with the Laotian American National Alliance (LANA) and the One Myanmar Community (OMC), formerly the Burmese Youth Association (changed to reflect an expanded mission), to pursue an eighth phase of the Tenderloin Southeast Asian Arts and Culture Coalition (SEAACC). Funds will be used to support these activities: a Summer Arts and Heritage Residency, Mid-Autumn Harvest Festival and a Spring Summit.</p>
<p>LI-17-2734 <b>Axis Dance Company</b> <i>Alameda County</i> \$18,000</p>	<p>With the support of the California Arts Council, AXIS Dance Company will implement a weekly series of community based classes and workshops at the Malonga in partnership with local artists and arts organizations. AXIS will also offer its annual physically integrated three module Summer Intensive, August of 2018. Proposed programming will enhance the Bay Area arts community, bridge partnerships, and provide an open training ground for disabled and non-disabled artists to collaborate as one.</p>
<p>LI-17-2844 <b>Ballet Folklorico Anahuac</b> <i>Stanislaus County</i> \$9,663</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Ballet Folklorico Anahuac will create a new program entitled "En su comunidad" (In your community). This program will address the lack of Mexican arts programming in Stanislaus County. Our project will offer free classes to 25 low income students in Stanislaus County as well as create a breathtaking show at the end of the program to highlight the progress of the students.</p>
<p>LI-17-2276 <b>Boomshake Music</b> <i>Alameda County</i> \$11,250</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, BoomShake Music will work with community groups of womxn to create and perform 'Everybody Wants to Live in Oakland', a free participant-driven musical-storytelling performance. Directed by Oakland native Monica-Hastings Smith, this project centers the study of Oakland's history and the evocation of ancestral memories of womxn of African, Latinx, &amp; Filipino descent in East &amp; West Oakland as a tool to 'replant home' while being constantly uprooted.</p>
<p>LI-17-2421 <b>Calidanza Dance Company</b> <i>Sacramento County</i> \$14,400</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Calidanza Dance Company will offer students our viable and vibrant dance program free for one year. By offering both new and current students the opportunity to receive professional dance instruction we will motivate the underserved community and give them the opportunity to join professional company in the future. The project will also help fund two professional productions in the Sacramento community presented by Calidanza Dance Co.</p>

<p>LI-17-2152 <b>California Lgbt Arts Alliance</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$5,600</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, CALIFORNIA LGBT ARTS ALLIANCE will organize four screenings of Raising Zoey, a 50 minute film documenting the life of a Downey Latina Trans teen and her family. The screenings will take place at LGBT community centers in San Diego, Santa Ana, East LA and Palm Springs and will be followed by a panel with Zoey, her mother, local activists and the filmmaker. Awarded funds will support the event’s production and promotional expenses.</p>
<p>LI-17-2836 <b>Capital Dance Project</b> <i>Sacramento County</i> \$9,000</p>	<p>With the support from the California Arts Council, Capital Dance Project (CDP) will offer three Sensory Friendly Dance Classes and two Sensory Friendly Dance Performances at the Crocker Art Museum for individuals with autism, or other sensory related disabilities, and their families. This sensory friendly programming will give individuals with sensory related disabilities, and their families, unprecedented access to dance and live performing art experiences.</p>
<p>LI-17-2025 <b>Casa Circulo Cultural Inc</b> <i>San Mateo County</i> \$12,000</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Casa Circulo Cultural will further expand and deepen the Dia de los Muertos Celebration, Redwood City's largest celebration of arts, diversity, and culture. This year includes a focus on the Vera Cruz region and explorations of pre-Hispanic celebrations. Workshops, concerts, and lectures build community as they give local artists a chance to perform and display their work and give thousands a chance to broaden their cultural understanding.</p>
<p>LI-17-2779 <b>Center for the Study of Political Graphics</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$14,400</p>	<p>CAC funds will support Healthcare Not Wealthcare: Posters Promoting Secure, Accessible &amp; Just Healthcare, a 75-piece, bilingual, annotated traveling exhibit about the health crisis. The US spends more on healthcare than any industrial nation, yet ranks lower in infant mortality and longevity. More than 29 million lack coverage; millions more are underinsured. Posters educate and inspire action about diverse health issues including job safety, reproductive rights, disability rights, and HIV/AIDS.</p>
<p>LI-17-2280 <b>Centro Binacional Para El Desarrollo Indigena Oaxaqueno</b> <i>Fresno County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, CENTRO BINACIONAL PARA EL DESARROLLO INDIGENA OAXAQUEÑO will provide "Generaciones - Al Pueblo Le Canto/To the People I Sing", a bi-lingual 11 month multi-generational Music Teaching project open to low-income families, disabled, LGBTQ, and indigenous immigrants; taught by singer/songwriter NEA Nat'l Heritage Fellow Agustín Lira and singer/guitarist Patricia Wells; for beginning, intermediate, and advanced guitar &amp; ukulele.</p>
<p>LI-17-2717 <b>Chrysalis Studio</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$11,100</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Chrysalis Studio will conduct one cycle of The Queer Ancestors Project (QAP), a free 18-week series of 3 1/2-hour printmaking and LGBTQ history classes for 10 Queer and Transgender young artists, age 18 to 26. The participants will create and disseminate prints exploring the roots of their own individual experience of Queerness. The project will culminate in an exhibition at the SF LGBT Community Center in June 2019.</p>
<p>LI-17-2898 <b>Circo Zero</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$18,000</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Circo Zero will assemble a diverse team of experimental dance, performance, and ritual artists to create Haggie, a series of performances addressing social and political polarization and its roots in settler colonialism. How will dancing practices change as we learn to acknowledge the land and its histories while negotiating asymmetrical power? The team includes 7 dancers, 2 indigenous consultants, a choreographer, and a dramaturg/questioner.</p>

<p>LI-17-2764 <b>Company of Angels Inc</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, COMPANY OF ANGELS INC will expand its Halo Project, a community outreach theater project now in its tenth year that gives artistic presence and voice to working poor, formerly incarcerated, immigrant, and disenfranchised community members of Downtown and East Los Angeles areas.</p>
<p>LI-17-2575 <b>Cre Outreach Foundation Inc</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$18,000</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, CRE Outreach will produce an original play by Theatre by the Blind. This extraordinary group of performers will challenge conventional expectations about the capabilities of individuals who live without sight, who struggle with navigating space, or who have lost their confidence after losing their eyesight. From their hearts, these artists explore the space between disability and possibility.</p>
<p>LI-17-2714 <b>Creative Labor: Queer Visual Artists Working Group</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$4,995</p>	<p>With support from the CAC, Creative Labor will, produce, publicize and document its 5th Annual visual arts exhibit. "Precarious Lives", will be free and open to the public during June 2019 at San Francisco's SOMArts Cultural Center. "Precarious Lives" will show the works of contemporary LGBTQ artists whose arts practice builds coalitions between and encourages the collective action of intersectional LGBTQ communities. Awarded funds will go towards Artistic Director and curator's fees.</p>
<p>LI-17-2329 <b>CubaCaribe</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$12,800</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, CubaCaribe will present the 15th Annual CubaCaribe Festival of Dance &amp; Music in San Francisco and Oakland over two weeks in April 2019. Programming will include a performances, master classes, a lecture/demo and a film screening on the art, religion, history, and politics of the Caribbean. It will also include a 15th year celebration, The festival will continue to strengthen our local traditional arts community and engage a broad audience.</p>
<p>LI-17-2507 <b>Dramatic Results</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$8,915</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Dramatic Results will launch a 16 hour multigenerational, cross-cultural, visual and culinary arts program highlighting the rich cultural traditions of Carmelitos Housing Project to build trust and shared community among elementary-aged youth and senior African American, Hispanic and Korean residents. This project will culminate in a cross-cultural feast and the unveiling of a permanent cyanotype quilt installation created by Carmelitos residents.</p>
<p>LI-17-2787 <b>DSTL Arts</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$18,000</p>	<p>With support from the CA Arts Council, DSTL Arts will continue providing zine-making &amp; creative writing workshops for youth &amp; adults in the communities of South &amp; East Los Angeles through our Art Block Zine &amp; Conchas y Café Zine programs, respectively. Both programs will provide individuals from underrepresented communities the opportunity to learn &amp; develop skills in the arts, while publishing &amp; presenting their work to a broader public via printed zines, our website, &amp; quarterly readings.</p>
<p>LI-17-2784 <b>Eagle Rock Community Cultural Association</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$10,350</p>	<p>With support from the CAC, Center for the Arts Eagle Rock will present "Three Questions," a community-driven mural making project celebrating the history and identities of the Northeast LA community. This free, family-friendly, bilingual project is estimated to engage a diverse, multigenerational, and underserved audience of over 750 people through an accessible, relevant, and participatory arts experience that will invigorate public spaces and champion the work of a talented local artist.</p>

<p>LI-17-2136 <b>EcoArts of Lake County</b> <i>Lake County</i> \$11,920</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, EcoArts of Lake County will deliver RESTORE: monthly, inclusive workshops in sculpture, mixed media, printmaking and poetry to a still healing, low income, rural community. Curated works will be installed in public spaces countywide and a documentary chapbook of writings and images will be published. RESTORE culminates with a new Rabbit Hill Art Trail and a celebratory reopening of EcoArts Sculpture Walk; restoring parks devastated by wildfire.</p>
<p>LI-17-2763 <b>El Sereno Community Arts</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$4,500</p>	<p>With the support of the California Arts Council, El Sereno Community Arts will engage community residents, artists, and businesses in growing our Altarwalk that will activate Huntington Drive during the annual El Sereno Dia de los Muertos Festival, while continuing to expand the multi-generational art experience within the Day of the Dead cultural tradition through creating murals with local school children and teaching paper maché/ piñata-making workshops to the parents at the parent centers.</p>
<p>LI-17-2656 <b>El Teatro Campesino</b> <i>San Benito County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, El Teatro Campesino will continue its longest running tradition and stage the multidisciplinary performance, “La Virgen del Tepeyac” in San Juan Bautista. Free theater workshops in San Benito County will also be offered to recruit new performers of all ages and experience levels. Despite challenges with a change in venue this year, audiences will get to experience the show in a new location in the community.</p>
<p>LI-17-2374 <b>Embodiment Project</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$14,400</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Embodiment Project will collaborate with KQED Arts and Yerba Buena Gardens Festival to produce SHE Gone Viral, a multimedia dance production that uses house dance, voguing and waacking, documentary theater, live music, and video to explore gender-based sexual violence. Viral explores the reclamation of authority over one’s body, healing from sexual trauma, and how these different forms of storytelling can challenge rape culture.</p>
<p>LI-17-2735 <b>Epiphany Productions Sonic Dance Theater</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Epiphany Productions will engage residents, artists, agencies, businesses and institutions in two San Francisco neighborhoods to create San Francisco Trolley Dances. The annual traveling, site-specific dance festival will feature new dance works inspired by the neighborhood’s characteristics and created in partnership with MUNI, the city’s transit agency, and various neighborhood partners. Funds will support artist, administrative, production costs.</p>
<p>LI-17-2802 <b>Eth-Noh-Tec Creations</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$14,400</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Eth-Noh-Tec Creations will stage 2 spring 2019 performances of Red Altar, an original evening-length Chinese immigrant story, and will conduct 2 free ImmiGratitude® workshops where community members will share their immigration stories. These events will take place at Western Stage in Salinas and at San Francisco’s Chinese Cultural Center during the United States of Asian America Festival. CAC funds will support the performing artists’ fees.</p>

<p>LI-17-2537 <b>Family Resource &amp; Referral Center Of San Joaquin</b> <i>San Joaquin County</i> \$11,600</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, the Family Resource &amp; Referral Center will offer free all-ages art classes for a year, at Stockton’s Teen Center. Classes center on building drawing skills, and are taught by professional artists with teaching experience. CAC funds will cover the cost of artists to lead classes, and a studio assistant to manage the art studio. Result? A year of free art instruction, available to all Stockton residents, in a poorly-served neighborhood’s Teen Center.</p>
<p>LI-17-1693 <b>Fern Street Community Arts Inc</b> <i>San Diego County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, for its annual Neighborhood Tour, Fern Street Circus (FSC) will perform in 8 parks in Mid-City San Diego with emphasis on City Heights. Free-of-charge and interactive, FSC’s show mixes professional artists with students taught in the After-School Circus Program in City Heights. Each Tour stop is an opportunity for community partners to produce their own health fair or cultural celebration, with Circus shows offered as a free draw to constituents.</p>
<p>LI-17-2563 <b>First Exposures</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, First Exposures will provide multigenerational training in photography for 65-70 underserved youth aged 11-17 their adult mentors/learning partners.</p>
<p>LI-17-2274 <b>Floricanto Dance Theatre</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$14,400</p>	<p>With the support from the California Arts Council's Local Impact Program The Floricanto Center for the Performing Arts will continue to provide family oriented programming, with accessible ticket prices that foster family and community attendance to the East Los Angeles community of City Terrace. This will be done through a 10-14 week annual presenting season of local artists and offering family programming choices that feature our local artists and celebrate our cultural traditions.</p>
<p>LI-17-2318 <b>Flyaway Productions</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Flyaway Productions will present THE WAIT ROOM in San Francisco, CA. THE WAIT ROOM is a performance installation that exposes the physical, psychic and emotional burden of prison for women with incarcerated loved ones. The project incorporates choreography on a stand-alone set designed by Sean Riley, and music by Pamela Z, based on oral history interviews with women whose families are fractured by incarceration. Our partner is Essie Justice Group.</p>
<p>LI-17-2759 <b>Friends of Peralta Hacienda Historical Park</b> <i>Alameda County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, FRIENDS OF PERALTA HACIENDA HISTORICAL PARK will work with undocumented day laborers in Oakland's Fruitvale to create a major exhibit of their stories and 5 events at which they will speak. Artists will lead workshops for 10 day laborers to create quilts and paintings for the indoor exposition; first-person poems from their audio interviews will be woven into ten huge graphic panels in the outdoor Museum without Walls with motifs from their art.</p>

<p>LI-17-2146 <b>Gamelan Sekar Jaya</b> <i>Alameda County</i> \$15,255</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Gamelan Sekar Jaya will share Balinese performing arts with Bay Area communities through free public performances, classes &amp; in-depth artistic interaction in a project entitled "Sareng" (Together). Rooted in the principles of cooperation &amp; harmony central to Balinese artistic practice, "Sareng" will bring together a diverse cross-section of the Bay Area population to foster intercultural understanding &amp; celebrate a sense of shared humanity.</p>
<p>LI-17-2866 <b>Genryu Arts</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$14,400</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Genryu Arts will 2018-19 Japantown Arts Engagement Initiative featuring: 1) Japan Day Festival; 2) hands-on workshops and lecture demonstrations leading up to Japan Day; 3) annual Spring Break taiko (drum) and shamisen (lute) intensive workshops; and 4) annual Children's Day Festival performances.</p>
<p>LI-17-2766 <b>Golden Thread Productions</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$14,400</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Golden Thread Productions will stage the world premiere of We Swim, We Talk, We Go to War by award-winning Arab American playwright Mona Mansour, directed by Turkish American director, Evren Odcikin for a four-week run at Potrero Stage in San Francisco, from November 16 to December 16, 2018.</p>
<p>LI-17-2124 <b>Great Leap Incorporated</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With the support from the California Arts Council, GREAT LEAP INC. will inspire and gather Latino, Japanese American and African American community members young and old for the 6th annual FandangObon (FO) Festival, Oct. 7, 2018, a fun, accessible, public celebration at JACCC in Downtown LA's historic Little Tokyo, preceded by a retreat for FO artists and eight artist-led workshops/gatherings across the region to share traditions-rooted participatory FO music/dance/storytelling. Free!</p>
<p>LI-17-2862 <b>Grupo De Teatro Sinergia-Siner</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With the support from the California Arts Council, Grupo de Teatro SINERGIA/SINERGIA Theatre Group will present a series of 12 free of charge and open to the public professional staged reading of new plays by Latin@ writers. Each play will have their own production team (director, designers, actors, producer). The plays will highlight the Latin@ experience in the USA. One of the plays will be chosen for a full production with our company.</p>
<p>LI-17-2812 <b>Highways Inc</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With CAC support, Highways will present the two- month Behold! Festival at our Santa Monica venue in spring 2019. Three LGBTQ artists of color will curate the Festival to attract diverse LGBTQ audiences of all ages, genders, races and income levels to its 15 nights of risk-taking performances, an exhibition, 2 master classes, 1 artist residency, 2 panel discussions and opening and closing night receptions. Awarded funds will support the Artistic Director and the participating artists' fees.</p>
<p>LI-17-2834 <b>Idris Ackamoor and Cultural Odyssey</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$18,000</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, IDRIS ACKAMOOOR AND CULTURAL ODYSSEY will support performer RHODESSA JONES and Cultural Odyssey's MEDEA PROJECT: THEATER FOR INCARCERATED WOMEN to lead incarcerated women, ex-offenders, and HIV positive women through the challenging process of recognizing their own barriers to success and empowering them to overcome these barriers through writing and producing a performance piece for a public audience entitled, "The History of the Vagina."</p>

<p>LI-17-2042 <b>Ink People Inc</b> <i>Humboldt County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, INK PEOPLE INC will offer free digital and analog visual, music, and video training for seriously at risk young adults aged 18-26 through the MARZ Project. It is a safe space where they can learn positive expression, gain self-esteem, and engage with the community through positive mentoring and role modeling.</p>
<p>LI-17-2270 <b>Invertigo Dance Theatre</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$18,000</p>	<p>With the support from the California Arts Council, Invertigo Dance Theatre will foster joy, community, strength, flexibility, balance, and creative expression for those with Parkinson’s Disease and other neurodegenerative conditions by providing weekly and monthly Dancing Through Parkinson’s classes throughout Los Angeles County. These classes are available by donation, rather than tuition, so that anyone can afford to participate.</p>
<p>LI-17-1571 <b>Inyo Council for the Arts</b> <i>Inyo County</i> \$14,400</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Inyo Council for the Arts will produce a series of Community Art Days in the rural, underserved communities of Inyo County, which we successfully debuted in 2017. We will build on the success of these events in engaging residents and visitors in numerous hands on art activities, music and dance workshops and live musical performances. These events will allow us to further engage new audiences and form new partnerships in our isolated communities.</p>
<p>LI-17-2884 <b>Jess Curtis/Gravity Inc</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$14,400</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Gravity will curate, produce, and present Beyond Gravity, four evenings of performance at CounterPulse in San Francisco by a diverse intersectional group of emerging next generation Bay Area artists participating in our fiscal sponsorship, mentorship, and Pop-up Performance Project programs. Funds will be used for artist fees to be paid to the artists in the showcase, plus costs associated with production, logistics, and marketing/PR.</p>
<p>LI-17-2541 <b>Justice by Uniting in Creative Energy-Juice</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$11,500</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, JUSTICE BY UNITING IN CREATIVE ENERGY-JUICE will create a series of bilingual professional instructional videos in urban art, music and dance for JUICE participants as well as a much wider community of at-greater-risk youth. We will also support Spanish-speaking facilitators who have proven their professionalism as volunteer mentors to receive compensation and program support as professional artists.</p>
<p>LI-17-2320 <b>Kaleidoscope Chamber Orchestra</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, KALEIDOSCOPE CHAMBER ORCHESTRA will expand our community outreach programs that provide hands-on orchestral experiences to those residing in homeless shelters and low-income housing across Los Angeles. We will also expand our partnerships that provide resources to these shelters in exchange for programming in their stores.</p>
<p>LI-17-2831 <b>Kearny Street Workshop</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$14,400</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Kearny Street Workshop will produce APAture 2018, our annual multidisciplinary arts festival in October that presents work by local emerging Asian American &amp; Pacific Islander artists. The festival showcases over 60 artists in visual art, literature, music, performance, film, and book arts. Programming is led by emerging AAPI curators who gain skills while furthering APAture’s goal of fostering self-organizing within our community.</p>

<p>LI-17-2865 <b>Khmer Arts Academy</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$14,400</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Khmer Arts Academy will continue to implement its Roots &amp; Shoots project-based learning initiative as part of its Classical Dance Training Academy.</p>
<p>LI-17-2572 <b>Kings Regional Traditional Folk Arts Inc</b> <i>Kings County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With the support of the California Arts Council, Kings Cultural Center will build upon last year's efforts to foster an ongoing engagement through Fiesta in the Park in rural communities in Fresno and Kings Counties. The free classes offered in Armona, Huron, Corcoran, Stratford and Lemoore will culminate with a Fiesta that will showcase their efforts and include other dance and mariachi performances. Participants will be offered dance scholarships for a full dance season at no cost.</p>
<p>LI-17-2773 <b>Kitka Inc</b> <i>Alameda County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With support from the CAC, Kitka, will produce GOLOSA! A festival of traditional Slavic vocal music featuring workshops, community sings, and performances by vocalists from CA Slavic folk choirs Kitka, Kostroma, Dolina, Slavyanka, and Iskra, with renowned Russian folk singer, instrumentalist, ethnographer and composer Sergei Starostin serving as guest director. Activities will take place at Fort Ross (Jenner), Russian House Kedry (Sunnyvale), Silk Road House (Berkeley), and SF Russian Center.</p>
<p>LI-17-2337 <b>Kulintang Arts Inc</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$14,400</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Kularts will partner with SOMA Pilipinas to launch a new immersive and multidisciplinary initiative called Post-Colonial Survival Kit. This project empowers multi-generations of Pilipinos in the SOMA community to take pride in their diasporic identity and heritage, through a series of multisensory arts programming that builds creative tactics for collective Pilipino cultural survival, healing, spiritual reclamation, and decolonization.</p>
<p>LI-17-2774 <b>The Lab SF</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, The Lab will commission Oakland artist Sadie Barnette to reimagine her father's bar, the Eagle Creek Saloon, which was the first black-owned gay bar in San Francisco. Barnette's project in The Lab will be two-fold: to creatively re-create and archive the Eagle Creek Saloon and to host a queer social space where artists and former bar clientele can participate in ongoing acts of resistance, celebration, activism, and community building.</p>
<p>LI-17-2767 <b>La Pocha Nostra Inter Cultural Performance and Community Arts Pro</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$12,000</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, La Pocha Nostra will create and produce Homeland (In)Security, a live performance whose goal is to highlight - via the language of spoken word - current concerns in relation to immigration and the politics of language. The piece will be devised by La Pocha Nostra's three-member core ensemble, together with seven invited spoken word artists and performers.</p>

<p>LI-17-2751 <b>Lambda Literary Foundation</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$18,000</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, LAMBDA LITERARY FOUNDATION will produce the second metropolitan-wide Lambda LitFest Los Angeles week-long community-building series of readings, panel discussions, and workshops for exploring the role of LGBTQ literature in LA's cultural ecology. Collaborating with some 30 community partners and taking place at multiple venues, Lambda LitFest will bring LGBTQ writers and readers together for a dynamic week of artistic and intellectual engagement.</p>
<p>LI-17-2295 <b>Latino Center of Art and Culture</b> <i>Sacramento County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, LATINO CENTER OF ART AND CULTURE will create and produce a culturally relevant theater production, La Pastorela de Sacramento. La Pastorela will provide employment and theater experience to Latino artists, integrate community members in a professional theater production and provide access to the arts for low to middle income residents. Awarded funds will be used to pay artists and community participants and partially support the venue rental fee.</p>
<p>LI-17-2720 <b>Leela Institute</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, The Leela Institute will work to complete development of Son of the Wind (an evening length production featuring a retelling of India's ancient epic, the Ramayana, through dance, music and theater) and present a premiere performance of the production in Los Angeles in Spring 2019.</p>
<p>LI-17-2842 <b>Lenora Lee Dance</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$18,000</p>	<p>With support from CAC, Lenora Lee Dance (LLD) will create &amp; perform "In the Movement" 12 site-specific, multimedia, immersive performances at the newly renovated Angel Island Public Health Hospital &amp; Barracks in LLD's first 3-week run 5/4 - 5/19/19. LLD will transform these historic buildings and feature live contemporary dance by 8 dancers, media design by Olivia Ting, recorded original music by Francis Wong, and voiceover. Grant funds will be used to support artist and production staff fees.</p>
<p>LI-17-2462 <b>Liberty Painting Corp</b> <i>Siskiyou County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, LIBERTY PAINTING CORP will produce seven unique Community Exhibitions, offering opportunities to experience and appreciate different art expressions, to share and create. These exhibitions will include performance, education and participation elements to engage our rural communities in the form of Open-Call invitations, Local Focus on regional artists and Bridge Shows, bringing new works and ideas to Siskiyou County.</p>
<p>LI-17-2768 <b>Litquake Foundation</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Litquake Foundation would continue to expand its programming to arts-underserved Elders in the Bay Area. Litquake seeks to enrich the lives of Elder participants with literary arts exposure and the opportunity to creatively communicate their own stories and their current struggles through facilitated writing exercises culminating in a live reading and a printed anthology for each group.</p>
<p>LI-17-2868 <b>Little Manila Foundation</b> <i>San Joaquin County</i> \$14,400</p>	<p>With support from the CAC, LITTLE MANILA FOUNDATION will create and expand a Filipino arts (dance, music, &amp; spoken word) community showcase around themes and issues of the Little Manila Historic Site. A major component of the funding will be to provide arts scholarships so that all people can participate regardless of income level. The Little Manila community was destroyed by the building of a state-funded freeway in the 1960's. We seek to revitalize our cultural heritage to our local community.</p>

<p>LI-17-1527 <b>Living Jazz</b> <i>Alameda County</i> \$18,000</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Living Jazz will create a community-centered musical celebration of the life and work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. “The Blues and the Civil Rights Movement” will feature performances by San Francisco Bay Area-based African American vocalists, Living Jazz Children’s Project and Oakland Interfaith Gospel Choir, in a program focusing on blues music as an expression of overcoming adversity. Funds will go to artist &amp; tech fees, outreach and venue rent.</p>
<p>LI-17-2757 <b>Los Angeles Poverty Department</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Los Angeles Poverty Department will present the biggest and most anticipated community cultural event in Skid Row: the Festival for All Skid Row Artists (FASRA). Held in a public park in the heart of Skid Row, the two-day Festival hosts live performances and exhibits artworks by more than Skid Row community members and is attended by more than 1,000 people from the neighborhood and throughout the City of LA.</p>
<p>LI-17-2186 <b>Luna Kids Dance Inc</b> <i>Alameda County</i> \$18,000</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council Luna Dance Institute will engage families in relationship-based dance classes through MPACT (Moving Parents and Children Together). MPACT classes are designed for families who experience separation due to court mandates, immigration, or economic hardship. Free community classes are offered year-round at residential treatment centers and public libraries in Oakland.</p>
<p>LI-17-2094 <b>Manilatown Heritage Foundation</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$9,000</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, MANILATOWN HERITAGE FOUNDATION will offer traditional Philippine kulintang and gangsa music instruction at San Francisco's International Hotel Manilatown Center. The "Kommunity Kultura" program will offer a monthly beginner-level workshop for all ages, weekly classes for continuing youth and adult students, and quarterly recitals for continuing students. Kommunity Kultura will be a free and family-friendly program open to the general public.</p>
<p>LI-17-2678 <b>Mariposa County Arts Council Inc</b> <i>Mariposa County</i> \$14,400</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, the Mariposa County Arts Council will continue our lifespan-learning program, F/STOP, which provides photography-based programs to underserved senior citizens. Participants learn how to use photography and to express their identities, tell stories, and share their connection to Mariposa. The culminating event is multi-sited public exhibition that will engage the general public with art created by their F/STOP participants.</p>
<p>LI-17-2715 <b>Media Arts Santa Ana (Masa)</b> <i>Orange County</i> \$8,121</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Media Arts Santa Ana (MASA) will deepen the impact of the OC Film Fiesta, a cinematic celebration of OC’s diversity, and inspire the next generation of digital visionaries by strengthening relationships with festival partners; providing free and low cost screenings and programs, such as our new Taco Truck Cinema, that create dialogue around community issues; presenting filmmakers and workshops; and expanding to involve Buena Park’s Korean community.</p>
<p>LI-17-2068 <b>Na Lei Hulu I Ka Wekiu Hula Halau</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$18,000</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Nā Lei Hulu I Ka Wēkiu will present “I MUA – Hula in Unusual Places,” a dance theater program that features traditional hula movements set to a wide range of non-Hawaiian music and influences. Nurturing the natural progression and continued evolution of an ancient art, our production will reflect upon the ongoing impact of global influences upon indigenous cultures, within a format that is progressive, provocative, and yet still genuinely Hawaiian.</p>

<p>LI-17-2837 <b>Near &amp; Arnolds School of Performing Arts &amp; Cultural Education</b> <i>Mendocino County</i> \$16,079</p>	<p>With funding from the California Arts Council, NEAR &amp; ARNOLD'S SCHOOL OF PERFORMING ARTS &amp; CULTURAL EDUCATION (SPACE) will implement the ¡Viva la Cultura! project. ¡Viva la Cultura! will consist of the creation and production of two culturally significant performances/events created, produced, and performed by local Latino artists whose connections with SPACE have been growing and deepening as a result of SPACE's dedicated arts engagement activities over the past 23 years.</p>
<p>LI-17-1942 <b>Network of Myanmar American Association</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$12,960</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Network of Myanmar American Association (NetMAA) will strengthen and improve the organization's ability to fulfill its missions of cultural education and impact to the expanding Myanmar community. As the community grows, the cultural outreach and awareness become more important to sustain and support multi-generational and life-long arts learning opportunities. Funds will support Myanmar Film Festival of LA and Myanmar Cultural Dance Academy.</p>
<p>LI-17-2817 <b>Oakland Ballet Company</b> <i>Alameda County</i> \$14,400</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Oakland Ballet will present Luna Mexicana - a program honoring the beautiful Dia de los Muertos holiday and Latino arts and culture. Luna Mexicana brings the community together for a joyous evening filled with festive dancing, colorful costumes, vibrant music, and visual art. Public performances will be presented in communities throughout the East Bay and educational student matinees will be offered for local schools.</p>
<p>LI-17-2743 <b>Oakland Interfaith Gospel Choir Inc</b> <i>Alameda County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Oakland Interfaith Gospel Choir will offer a series of Community Engagement Program performances by its three choirs and lifelong learning opportunities on gospel music and spirituals. The performances will reach audiences primarily in Oakland and the East Bay and reflect the organization's longtime commitment to community service.</p>
<p>LI-17-2062 <b>Omnira Institute</b> <i>Alameda County</i> \$6,425</p>	<p>With support from the CAC, Omnira Institute will hold the 5th annual Black-Eyed Pea Festival, a cultural celebration of African American (AA) traditional food, music and art in Oakland. The free, outdoor event on 9/15/18 will consist of free, live performances; sales of original art, crafts and clothing as well as black-eyed peas served in different ways all by AA chefs, artists and performers. The funds will pay for performance, technical and other personnel; site rental and related event fees.</p>
<p>LI-17-2781 <b>Opera Cultura</b> <i>Alameda County</i> \$15,075</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Opera Cultura will produce Hector Armienta's Musical Drama La Llorona/The Weeping Woman June 28 - 30, 2019 @ School of Arts and Culture - Mexican Heritage Theater. There will be a live web audio stream of one of the performances. Community engagement activities include visual arts workshops at the HUB ( foster home community center) &amp; MACLA.</p>
<p>LI-17-2889 <b>Outside the Lens</b> <i>San Diego County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Outside the Lens, in collaboration with the Sherman Heights Community Center, will use digital media arts to engage intergenerational residents in learning about, reflecting on, and responding to their community's history and culture. Residents will experience a series of locally-relevant film screenings culminating in a youth film festival screening professional artistic and locally made works by young artists.</p>

<p>LI-17-2430 <b>OX</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$13,600</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, OX will produce Work MORE #8, the next iteration of our semi-annual multidisciplinary drag arts project. It will be a yearlong performance laboratory in which eight drag artists collaboratively develop new ensemble works, establishing an experimental drag theater company. Phase 1 is 6 months of collaborative performance experiments performed monthly at historic gay club, The Stud. Phase 2 is a two-hour immersive theater work staged at CounterPulse.</p>
<p>LI-17-2709 <b>Pacific Arts Movement</b> <i>San Diego County</i> \$18,000</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Pacific Arts Movement will produce its 19th San Diego Asian Film Festival (SDAFF) from November 8-17, 2018. This is one of the leading showcases of Asian and Asian American cinema in North America and one of the biggest platforms of Asian American media anywhere. Our 10 day festival showcases more than 140 films from over a dozen countries, reaching an audience of over 15,000, while bringing in over 50 filmmakers from around the world.</p>
<p>LI-17-2727 <b>Peacock Rebellion</b> <i>Alameda County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Peacock Rebellion will produce a one-evening production of Magic Mirrors that will take place at Oakland’s 500-seat First Congregational Church in November 2018. Artists will employ a multi-disciplinary performing arts cabaret around the concept of mental illness being a form of magic or blessing, reflect the diverse demographics of CA’s LGBTQ communities, and examine the lives and experiences of trans and gender non-conforming people of color.</p>
<p>LI-17-2888 <b>The PGK Project Inc</b> <i>San Diego County</i> \$14,400</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, THE P G K PROJECT INC will provide Free, Weekly "One Movement / One Community" Dance Classes over a 30 week residency at Malcolm X Library geared for the residents of the historically underserved Diamond Neighborhoods of San Diego. Regardless of experience, age, condition participants will also help create and perform an original dance work they inform for 3 performances at The Gathering Place, a former vacant lot now a robust community site.</p>
<p>LI-17-2877 <b>Piece by Piece</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$14,400</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Piece by Piece will provide a series of free, community-based mosaic workshops for low-income and formerly-homeless individuals in the underserved Los Angeles neighborhoods of Skid Row and South Los Angeles. These workshops will promote creative expression, help participants improve their well-being through art, and nurture a sense of community through collaborative mosaic projects conducted in an inviting, low-pressure environment.</p>
<p>LI-17-2633 <b>Pieter</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Pieter Performance Space will host Oakland-based Brontez Purnell Dance Company in residency throughout May 2019. Pieter will produce a residency, which includes performances, workshops, classes, open studio hours, and a Bay Area – Los Angeles queer dance exchange community building event. Events will be staged at Pieter and other LA artist-run spaces including Women’s Center for Creative Work and Human Resources. The events will serve 400+ people.</p>

<p>LI-17-2736 <b>QCC-The Center for Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Art &amp; Culture</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$14,400</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, QCC will present 8 commissioned works by Bay Area LGBTQ artists of color at the 22nd Annual National Queer Arts Festival in June 2019 via our Creating Queer Community program. The project will explore social justice issues from the perspectives of LGBTQ artists of color, advance their careers, diversify the region's arts community and enable LGBTQ audiences of color to see their lives and experiences authentically reflected in the arts.</p>
<p>LI-17-2816 <b>Queer Rebels Productions</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$14,400</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Queer Rebels Productions will stage Queer Rebels Fest, two evening-length multidisciplinary performances celebrating the artistic and activist experiences of queer people of color, at the African American Art &amp; Culture Complex (AAACC) in June 2019 as part of the National Queer Arts Festival. Awarded funds will support QRP staff, participating artists and technicians' fees.</p>
<p>LI-17-2828 <b>Queer Women of Color Media Arts Project-Qwocmap</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$14,400</p>	<p>"With support from the California Arts Council, QUEER WOMEN OF COLOR MEDIA ARTS PROJECT-QWOCMAP will conduct a free filmmaking workshop for Sick (chronically and terminally ill) and Disabled queer, non-binary, and transgender (LNBTQ) people of color to equip them with concrete technical skills, practical artistic knowledge, and tangible leadership tools through artistically rigorous, professional instruction, coaching, equipment, and learning resources to create new films about their lives.</p>
<p>LI-17-2778 <b>Radar Productions Inc</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, RADAR PRODUCTIONS INC will produce a queer literary arts intervention called THE BATHROOM LINE: Queer Intimacy in Public Spaces, which will culminate in a Fall 2018 exhibition at SOMArts. The goal of The Bathroom Line is to insert queer intimacy narratives in public space. We view this as a strategy to create a more nuanced story about the lives of queer people of color, which will generate a fuller picture of our humanity.</p>
<p>LI-17-2577 <b>Red Poppy Art House</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$14,000</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Red Poppy Art House will present its long-standing Mission Arts and Performance Project (MAPP), a bi-monthly, multidisciplinary, intercultural arts event that is free to the community. Funds will support curators, artists, technicians, publicity and documentation, along with associated administrative costs. MAPP engages the community by focusing on current social themes, facilitating collaboration and discourse between artists and audience.</p>
<p>LI-17-2744 <b>Redbird</b> <i>Ventura County</i> \$7,566</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, REDBIRD will host the 18th annual Children of Many Colors Native American Powwow, a cultural ceremony and celebration which embraces all indigenous cultures of the western hemisphere and welcomes the public to enjoy and participate in the weekend's activities. These include singing, dancing, cultural exhibitions, bird singing, flute circle, Veteran's Honoring, gourd dance, children's dances, and special activities for cancer and diabetes awareness.</p>

<p>LI-17-2829 <b>Regional Organization of Oaxaca</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, ORO will produce in the summer of 2018 a series of cultural activities known as ‘Festival Guelaguetza ORO’. These activities will include a Calenda (procession with bands performing traditional Oaxacan music); two all-day festivals with live performances of traditional music and dances; and a series of material and visual arts workshops. CAC grant will be used to pay the artists, materials and a portion of the production costs.</p>
<p>LI-17-2513 <b>RuckusRoots Inc</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$3,150</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, RuckusRoots will provide culturally-themed art-making workshops aimed at foreign-born citizens (Latino and Asian) in the Los Angeles communities of Boyle Heights and Koreatown. Partnering with the YMCA of LA, RuckusRoots will offer 5 workshops at each location over 6 months (10 workshops total). The workshops will be offered through the YMCA's New Americans Welcome Center and will primarily serve recent immigrants, refugees and low income citizens.</p>
<p>LI-17-2867 <b>San Diego Art Institute</b> <i>San Diego County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, San Diego Art Institute will provide high quality fine arts classes through its Art Access Programming to developmentally challenged adults at three Vista Hill locations. With the goal of providing high-quality arts programming for underserved and vulnerable communities, SDAI's Art Access Programming is specifically designed to engage diverse audiences with high quality, yet accessible, contemporary art experiences.</p>
<p>LI-17-2864 <b>San Diego Dance Theater</b> <i>San Diego County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, San Diego Dance Theater will present Trolley Dances, a program that strengthens communities while presenting live professional dance in places it is rarely seen throughout San Diego County. In partnership with the Metropolitan Transit System, thousands of viewers will travel to sites along the trolley line to see six world premiers site-specific dances performed by approximately 50 dancers.</p>
<p>LI-17-2769 <b>San Francisco Mime Troupe</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$16,198</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, SAN FRANCISCO MIME TROUPE will be able to tour our original 2018 musical theater production (working title) A More Perfect Union, throughout rural Northern &amp; Central CA to communities with limited access to professional theater productions including: Pt. Arena, Ukiah, Redway, San Geronimo &amp; Merced. By supporting these rural performances, the CAC will allow SFMT to use our resources to perform in additional lower-income Bay Area communities.</p>
<p>LI-17-2809 <b>San Francisco Transgender Film Festival</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$14,400</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, the San Francisco Transgender Film Festival will present the 2018 San Francisco Transgender Film Festival at the Roxie Theater November 8-11, 2018. Our 2018 Festival will screen over 50 films at 6 programs over four days, attracting an estimated audience of 1,000 people. Awarded CAC funds will support the Artistic Director and Festival Coordinator's compensation, and venue rental.</p>
<p>LI-17-2863 <b>San Jose Multicultural Artists Guild Inc</b> <i>Santa Clara County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, the San Jose Multicultural Artists Guild (SJMAG) will organize our 21th annual Dia de los Muertos events, which will take place over five weeks at sites throughout Santa Clara County including the School of Arts and Culture at Mexican Heritage Plaza, the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library at San Jose State University, the San Jose Museum of Art, the Children's Discovery Museum, Consulate of Mexico in San Jose, and the Villa Montalvo Arts Center.</p>

<p>LI-17-2855 <b>Sangam Arts</b> <i>Santa Clara County</i> \$18,000</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council Local Impact Grant, Sangam Arts will produce "3L: Love, Life, Loss," a multicultural, multimedia presentation that tells the story of Vietnamese-Americans in San Jose through traditional Vietnamese music, African drumming &amp; dance. Artist Van-Anh Vo will compose the music for "3L," and lead workshops at three community centers in East Side and District 7 of San Jose which cater to underserved populations of immigrants, refugees and dreamers.</p>
<p>LI-17-2843 <b>Scholarship Audition Performance Preparatory Academy</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$9,225</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, SAPPA will provide free, year-round, weekly keyboard and music education workshops for very low income African-American and Latino seniors at two sites in partnership with the Watts Labor Community Action Committee: the Theresa Lindsey Senior Center south of downtown Los Angeles and the Estelle Van Meter Multipurpose Center in the Florence community. Arvis Jones, a musician, educator, and music therapy specialist, will be the teaching artist.</p>
<p>LI-17-2839 <b>Self-Help Graphics and Arts Inc</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$18,000</p>	<p>With support from California Arts Council, Self Help Graphics and Art will stage its 45th Annual Día de los Muertos Season. Our Día de los Muertos program includes free weekly Community Art Workshops at parks on the eastside every Saturday afternoon, culminating in an annual celebration. Our annual celebration begins with a community procession, includes local artisans, food vendors, music and workshops for children. This tradition activates LA's public space and builds community through art.</p>
<p>LI-17-2726 <b>Sew Productions Inc</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$12,000</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, SEW PRODUCTIONS, INC. will continue our "Bringing the Art to the Audience" (BATA) free staged reading series. Plays by both established and emerging African American and multicultural playwrights are read at community partner venues in San Francisco and the East Bay aimed at reaching our target population of African Americans and underserved communities. Funds will be used for staff and artist fees, production costs and marketing activities.</p>
<p>LI-17-2815 <b>Side Street Projects</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$18,000</p>	<p>With support from California Arts Council Side Street Projects will present four interactive artist projects based on themes developed in our annual community meeting and survey. Each of the four artists will facilitate a minimum of four community workshops connected to their project culminating in a public community celebration of their project. Our vision is to support artists working in communities while allowing our community to be artists.</p>
<p>LI-17-1979 <b>Sixth Street Photography Workshop</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$14,400</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Sixth Street Photography Workshop will produce Personal Images, 6 photography exhibitions. Free workshops for adults in chronic poverty and veterans with PTSD will produce the artwork. Venue is SSPW's 6th On 7th Gallery in SOMA. Workshops to be held at SOMArts Cultural Center and the Gallery. Receptions held monthly for the gallery's audience, the neighborhood, SRO residents, members of the low-income and arts communities, the public and veterans.</p>

<p>LI-17-2897 <b>Small Press Traffic Literary Arts Center</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$14,400</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Small Press Traffic Literary Arts Center will host its Reading Series, a foundational program of the organization. The project, consisting of eight distinct events over the course of the year, features local innovative writers who identify as women, people of color and/or LGBTQ. Writers are invited along thematic lines, pushing the work of these themes further through conversations designed to provoke critique, inquiry and new forms.</p>
<p>LI-17-2788 <b>South East European Film Festival</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$12,720</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, SOUTH EAST EUROPEAN FILM FESTIVAL will celebrate, through films, ethnic identities and culturally specific traditions and expressions of South East Europeans (SEE) in California, and activate community participants to develop and express their own creative and artistic abilities through cross-cultural programs including film screenings, literary salons and art talks, culminating with the week-long film festival in May 2019.</p>
<p>LI-17-2840 <b>Spectordance</b> <i>Monterey County</i> \$14,400</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, SpectorDance and the Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute will partner with Monterey County Free Libraries on Sea Change, a new arts engagement and performance program that aims to merge the facts of science with the visceral power of art. Sea Change will explore innovative ways to engage low income audiences through creative exploration, to expand awareness of ocean science, promote dialogue, and inspire stewardship.</p>
<p>LI-17-2871 <b>Still Here Productions</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$4,478</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Still Here Productions (SHP) will perform excerpts from the Still Here Anthology; to be released at SHP's 7th Season production in June 2019 at the African American Art &amp; Culture Complex. The production will feature the narratives of 10 multi generational queer artists of color whose work will be published in the anthology. CAC funds will support the Director and participating artists' fees.</p>
<p>LI-17-2467 <b>Street Symphony Project Inc</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$12,000</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Street Symphony will present Messiah Project 2018, a program of collaborative workshops and performances featuring Handel's beloved oratorio "Messiah", centering stories and musical performances from people affected by incarceration and homelessness. Community members serve as soloists and choristers, accompanied by an ensemble of professional, world-class musicians in Los Angeles.</p>
<p>LI-17-2036 <b>Strindberg Laboratory</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$12,548</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, The Strindberg Laboratory will implement a 14-week Playwriting &amp; Performance Workshop with F.A.C.T., serving 15 young adult participants, ages 18-25, with autism spectrum disorders (ASD). This workshop is built to engage and respond to the needs of its ASD participants, offering theater training as a way to learn self-expression, confidence, and communication skills. The workshop will culminate in a public performance.</p>
<p>LI-17-2786 <b>Studio Grand</b> <i>Alameda County</i> \$14,850</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Studio Grand will engage Bay Area Sa'moan photographer Jean Melesaine to collaborate with and document the Black and Brown Bodies Series which seeks to provide safe, affirming space for Black and Brown women, queer and trans people to explore their bodies through dance and movement. The collaboration will culminate in a visual art exhibition at Studio Grand.</p>

<p>LI-17-1483 <b>Ta Yer</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$8,115</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, TA YER will support CHAMBEANDO (WORKING) COMMUNITY WORKSHOPS &amp; PERFORMANCES in Los Angeles. Program celebrates the creativity and the dignity of day laborers.</p>
<p>LI-17-2712 <b>Teada Productions</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, TeAda Productions in partnership with Program for Torture Victims in Los Angeles will hold a series of social justice storytelling workshops for LGBTQI immigrants &amp; refugees primarily from Latin American and African countries, culminating in at least 2 final performances. This series will create broader public dialogue that encourages support of LGBTQI immigrants &amp; refugees. Titled "Home Place," participants will explore the meaning of belonging.</p>
<p>LI-17-2807 <b>Teatro Vision</b> <i>Santa Clara County</i> \$18,000</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Teatro Visión will produce the world premiere of <i>De partera</i>, a new <i>Día de los Muertos</i> play with original music that Teatro Visión is creating through a collaborative, community-based process including story-gathering circles, social media prompts, songwriting workshops, public readings and discussions, and workshops with community actors.</p>
<p>LI-17-2830 <b>Theatre First</b> <i>Alameda County</i> \$14,400</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, TheatreFIRST will produce one project of two anthological productions of new one-act theatre works - coupled in the season, yet produced at different periods in our main-stage season: <i>The People's History of Now</i> (November/December 2018) &amp; <i>The People's History of Next</i> (May/June 2019).</p>
<p>LI-17-2793 <b>Thingamajigs</b> <i>Alameda County</i> \$12,740</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Thingamajigs, in partnership with the Junior Center, Jack London Square, and Oakland Public Library branches, present <i>Aeolian Day</i>; a free, family festival of wind-based art created in collaboration with local artists and the Bay Area community. CAC funds will be used to program free community instrument building workshops, and commissioning and fabrication costs of wind-powered instruments and sound sculptures to be featured at the festival.</p>
<p>LI-17-2742 <b>Tia Chuchas Centro Cultural Inc</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$14,400</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Tia Chucha's Centro Cultural will produce the longest running arts and literacy festival in the Northeast San Fernando Valley: the 14th annual "Celebrating Words Festival--Written, Performed, and Sung". Held in May 2019 at Pacoima City Hall, the outdoor event will connect residents with writers, singers, books, poetry, musicians, artists, dancers, artisans and edutainers, honoring that everyone carries unique stories, arts, and cultural offerings.</p>
<p>LI-17-2218 <b>Timeless, Infinite Light</b> <i>Alameda County</i> \$10,000</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Timeless Infinite Light will create "Demasiado: Queer Latinx Excess," an event activating the entire 22,000 square foot space of the Omni Commons in collaboration with California-based queer Latinx artists, activists, and archivists. At the intersection of community center and drag show, haunted house and organizing meeting we imagine an extravaganza where the richness of queer Latinx culture in CA is an act of resistance and community nourishment.</p>

<p>LI-17-2120 <b>Transcendance Youth Arts Project</b> <i>San Diego County</i> \$11,880</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, transcenDANCE will partner with "Our Safe Place," a South Bay Community Services LGBTQ Youth Center, to conduct a community-based art-making residency that engages 18-21-year old LGBTQ young people in creatively exploring their identities &amp; stories through embodied experiences in dance, movement &amp; spoken word with the ultimate goal of reflecting their stories back to the community through a staged performance to increase connection and understanding.</p>
<p>LI-17-2760 <b>Tuleburg Press</b> <i>San Joaquin County</i> \$2,250</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Tuleburg Press in conjunction with Placeholder Magazine will host a series of workshops that will focus on the creation of zines. The intention of the Emerging Zine Fund project is to nurture and strengthen the outlets of free speech, art, and literature in Stockton CA. If awarded, grant funds would be used to pay a stipend to our programs teachers, to host a free festival that would showcase the students work, and to pay for necessary supplies.</p>
<p>LI-17-2585 <b>Unusual Suspects Theatre Co</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, The Unusual Suspects Theatre Company's intergenerational Neighborhood Voices Program will engage 150 underserved residents of Pacoima in theatre-arts. Via a 12-week workshop, about 30 adults &amp; youth will gain the skills to collaborate on the creation &amp; performance of an original play. The residency will culminate in a free performance attended by roughly 120 community members. Funds will support staff &amp; artistic personnel who implement the program.</p>
<p>LI-17-2607 <b>Uptown Tenderloin Inc</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$14,400</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Uptown Tenderloin, Inc. (dba Tenderloin Museum) will produce a photography exhibition and book about the famous drag queen performers and colorful customers at Aunt Charlie's, one of the oldest gay bars in San Francisco. Tentatively titled "Queens to the Front: The Living History of Aunt Charlie's," the project will consist of work by LGBTQ photographers and include artist-collected documentation of oral histories from the performers.</p>
<p>LI-17-2524 <b>Urban Jazz Dance Company</b> <i>Alameda County</i> \$18,000</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Urban Jazz Dance Company (Antoine Hunter, Director) will produce the 6th annual Bay Area International Deaf Dance Festival (BAIDDF). The Festival will be held August 2018 in San Francisco and will consist of an exciting week of performances and workshops highlighting the important contributions that Deaf and Hard of Hearing (HoH) artists make to our community. Funds will be used for artist, production, publicity/marketing and ASL interpreter fees.</p>
<p>LI-17-2808 <b>Via International Inc</b> <i>San Diego County</i> \$11,600</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Via International will partner with the Chicano Park Steering Committee to organize and undertake the 49th Annual Chicano Park Day, a free, family-friendly cultural event held annually to celebrate the history, art and culture of this National Historic Landmark in the Logan Heights/Barrio Logan neighborhood of San Diego.</p>
<p>LI-17-2796 <b>The Village Project</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$14,400</p>	<p>With CAC support, the Village Project will organize and produce our 13th annual San Francisco Kwanzaa celebration in late December 2018. This 7-day event will take place in at least 15 community venues and will serve an estimated 1600 African Americans, including at least 500 low-income public housing residents. Awarded funds will support the participating artists' fees, staff and production costs, along with marketing expenses.</p>

<p>LI-17-2637 <b>Visual Communications Media</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$14,400</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, VISUAL COMMUNICATIONS MEDIA will use the approved grant for the 35th annual Los Angeles Asian Pacific Film Festival, which is the only festival of its kind, scope, and caliber, in Los Angeles that celebrates Asian Pacific American (APA) and global Asian filmmakers. The Festival reaches and engages over 30,000 individuals in attendance at its specially presented screenings, educational seminars, artist talks, and other events.</p>
<p>LI-17-2823 <b>Women’s Center for Creative Work</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$18,000</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Women’s Center for Creative Work will partner with choral artists Carolyn Pennypacker Riggs and Tany Ling to produce Community Chorus, a free, bi-weekly safe space to join our voices in song. The artists and musical guests will provide instruction, technique, and lyrics to underserved communities. Under the artists’ leadership, the Community Chorus will perform publicly and at justice-seeking community gatherings throughout the year.</p>
<p>LI-17-2820 <b>Women’s Audio Mission</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$18,000</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, WOMEN’S AUDIO MISSION will present Local Sirens: Women in Music Performance Series, a free, quarterly performance series featuring emerging Bay Area women musicians/artists from historically marginalized communities. Artists will create, perform &amp; record new &amp; innovative musical works that are presented at free, all-ages concerts across venues in the SF Bay Area, providing access to arts participation &amp; representation for marginalized communities.</p>
<p>LI-17-2832 <b>World Stage Performance Gallery</b> <i>Los Angeles County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, the WORLD STAGE PERFORMANCE GALLERY will provide weekly African-American cultural music/arts activities under The World Stage Arts Impact Project. 300 underserved, intergenerational (ages 19-80) South Los Angeles Leimert Park-Crenshaw-West Adams residents will participate in workshops: Jazz Vocal, Anansi Writers, S.H.I.N.E. Mawusi Women’s African Drum Circle, Jazz Jam Session, Jazz Ensemble, and Roots First Rhythms (African, Cuban, Brazilian).</p>
<p>LI-17-2780 <b>Zaccho SF</b> <i>San Francisco County</i> \$16,200</p>	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Zaccho Dance Theatre will produce Picture Bayview Hunters Point, an interdisciplinary site-specific work focused on the dreams and aspirations of SF’s Bayview Hunters Point residents to be performed in October 2018 at the historic Bayview Opera House. Artistic Director Joanna Haigood will serve as choreographer and director in collaboration with video artist Mary Ellen Strom, composer Walter Kitundu, and non-profit media company BAYCAT.</p>