

2024-25 GRANT AWARDS

Statewide and Regional Networks



The Statewide and Regional Networks (SRN) program contributes to the health and vitality of the creative workforce in California by creating a resilient network of arts service organizations and artists. Applicants must be arts services organizations with statewide or regional reach.

An arts service organization is defined as a nonprofit or fiscally sponsored organization that furthers the interests of artists, creators, and culture bearers. They also provide programs and services that are substantially focused on enhancing the capacity of individual artists and/or arts and culture organizations. They have as a core purpose the provision of services that assist or promote arts and culture. Together these organizations form unified networks at state and regional levels, working to ensure that the arts and culture sector across California continues to thrive. An arts service organization shall operate a network.

Networks are associations or groups of individuals or organizations with common interests, visions or organizational missions that work together to strengthen the collective group. Arts networks develop professional services for the broad array of individuals and organizations engaged in diverse fields of art (paraphrased from Americans for the Arts Public Art Network definition).

Number of Grants Awarded: 62

Total Investment: \$2,145,215

Organization Name	County	Application ID	Approved Grant Amount	Grant Request Summary
ART SPREAD	Orange	SRN-24-22678	\$19,443	With support from the California Arts Council, ART SPREAD will hosts free workshops, exhibitions, and art fairs for the Orange County community. These opportunities offer free submissions for artists, including an art booth, workshop space, and display for their artwork. Through these free events for the public, The Art Spread will promote access to arts and culture, ensuring Orange County’s population receives a meaningful and insightful art experience each year. These services provided are necessary and sought not only by artists but by cities within Orange County that are looking to grow their art culture. Through more funding and support, the events, services, and practices can infinitely grow, making a positive lasting impact for artists and the community alike.
ART TONIC	Sacramento	SRN-24-24151	\$16,203	With support from the California Arts Council, Art Tonic will strengthen our network beyond Sacramento County. We will also increase our partnerships in neighboring California counties, including Placer County, Nevada County, Yolo County, and Alameda County. We will strengthen and increase collaborations with underserved artists, arts organizations, and businesses that hire artists, fostering a thriving regional network that enriches the California arts ecosystem. By creating connections among these partners, we will cultivate a supportive region where all artists can thrive.
ARTEQUITY COMMUNITY	Los Angeles	SRN-24-23681	\$32,405	With assistance from the California Arts Council, artEquity Community will support and expand core programming that centers BIPOC leadership and wellness. This includes the BIPOC Leadership Circle, BIPOC Surviving Predominantly White Institutions, and initiatives to engage our growing alumni base. The Black, Indigenous, People of Color (BIPOC) Leadership Circle brings together BIPOC leaders of cultural arts institutions to provide support, strategies, and systems of accountability while creating dynamic new leadership models that center BIPOC experiences. Black, Indigenous, People of Color Surviving Predominately White Institutions is a series of trainings that supports BIPOC staff in navigating organizational environments that are not always conducive to their growth. These core programs support BIPOC artists and arts leaders in building community and solidarity, and they offer powerful tools and strategies to advance equity throughout the arts sector.

ARTS AREA	San Bernardino	SRN-24-23778	\$46,293	With support from the California Arts Council, THE ARTS AREA will be able to continue providing, strengthening, and broadening its suite of professional services fro the underserved and underrepresented creative industries of San Bernardino, Riverside, and East Los Angeles Counties, through partially funding staff salaries and the hiring of professional artists and experts in the arts business field.
ARTS EDUCATION ALLIANCE OF THE BAY AREA	San Francisco	SRN-24-24613	\$32,405	With support from the California Arts Council, the Arts Education Alliance of the Bay Area (AEA) will connect and catalyze arts education communities of artists, community arts organizations, educators, young people, families, and advocates across all five regions of the San Francisco Bay Area. Through arts advocacy events and resources, networking events, professional learning opportunities, and ongoing communications our programs will provide practical services for each of our constituents. Through these offerings, we serve as a regional hub and unifying voice for local coalitions of teaching artists, school districts, students and their families, throughout all nine counties of the Bay Area. We align our regional work with state and national efforts to ensure best policies and practices that are responsive to the culturally specific and geographic needs of our diverse communities.
ARTS FOR HEALING AND JUSTICE NETWORK	Los Angeles	SRN-24-23523	\$46,293	With support from the California Arts Council, ARTS FOR HEALING AND JUSTICE NETWORK will provide structure, coordination and resources for the collaborative work of community-based arts education organizations serving juvenile justice system-impacted and at-promise youth in Los Angeles County. By supporting our regional network model, your gift will help the Arts for Healing and Justice Network (AHJN) increase the capacity of the 23 member organizations in our network — organizations that are essential partners in providing culturally-responsive, healing arts education, youth leadership development, and youth-focused advocacy for underserved young people in our area. Our collective work serves to create alternatives to incarceration, build resiliency and wellness, eliminate recidivism, and center the arts as a change strategy for young people, communities, and systems.
ARTS FOR LA	Los Angeles	SRN-24-23807	\$32,405	With support from the California Arts Council, Arts for LA will expand its portfolio of direct service, technical assistance and education programs for individual artists and creative workers of arts and culture organizations in LA County. On a person-to-person basis, we teach artists and creative workers how to engage and mobilize communities to entrench art and arts education into their constituents' lives. Additionally, funds will supplement salaries.
ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRAS	Los Angeles	SRN-24-23592	\$32,405	provide programs and services to the statewide orchestra and broader music community that deliver professional development, knowledge-building, advocacy, and connection to help expand its vitality and community impact.
BALBOA ART CONSERVATION CENTER	San Diego	SRN-24-23266	\$46,293	BACC submits this proposal to support the ongoing California Inclusive Preservation Program (CIPP). Funding will support the implementation of a series of virtual lectures, in-person workshops and collaborative learning opportunities designed to increase collections care capacity and knowledge among small to midsize collections throughout California through 1000+ engagements and to develop a network of collections caretakers across the state. While CIPP will be open to all California-based collections staff, outreach and content will focus on those tasked with collections care at small and midsize organizations who lack the resources and access to collections care services and training, particularly those serving underrepresented communities, including but not limited to BIPOC, rural, and veteran communities.
BARCID FOUNDATION	Los Angeles	SRN-24-23447	\$32,405	With support from the California Arts Council, Barcid will provide an expanded artistic development program for Native American artists to express themselves through new artistic pathways and new artistic content that will focus on healing the pervasive social, political, and economic inequalities experienced by Native communities.
BAY AREA VIDEO COALITION INC	San Francisco	SRN-24-24519	\$46,293	Bay Area Video Coalition (BAVC Media) requests CAC grant funds to expand the Bay Area Media Maker Summit (BAMMS), a collaborative project that BAVC Media co-created and launched in 2021 to cultivate a healthy and inclusive Bay Area filmmaking community through learning, connection and local exhibition events. With support from CAC, the initiative will become more accessible to a wider geography of the Bay Area, and will become more sustainable with paid staffing support to manage outreach and operations.

BROAD ROOM CREATIVE COLLECTIVE SACRAMENTO	Sacramento	SRN-24-22786	\$32,405	With support from the California Arts Council, Broad Room Creative Collective Sacramento will build organizational capacity and collaborate with our partners across the state to strengthen our California Art Supply Mutual Aid Network. This Network was born out of a CAC funded program through which we have trained people across California to establish their own art supply mutual aid projects inspired by Broad Room's Free Art Supply Closet. Network members have identified four priorities for CAC funding including: 1) hosting a free convening for all 19 members of the Network, 2) equitable re-granting for members, 3) developing a website and branding for the network, and 4) establishing a peer support mentorship program for new Network members.
CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF MUSEUMS	San Diego	SRN-24-22556	\$42,693	With support from the California Arts Council, the California Association of Museums will produce programs and services that provide practical information to museum workers through in-person and virtual convenings, help museums adapt to contemporary challenges, and support the association's work plan to become a more equitable association.
CALIFORNIA HUMANITIES	Alameda	SRN-24-24294	\$32,405	With support from the California Arts Council, California Humanities will support the cultural ecosystem of California through statewide grant making that amplifies public programs at the intersection of the arts and the humanities.
CALIFORNIA LAWYERS FOR THE ARTS INC	San Francisco	SRN-24-23891	\$46,293	With support from the California Arts Council, California Lawyers for the Arts (CLA) will continue to provide legal, educational and dispute resolution programs and services for artists and arts organizations throughout California, while expanding access to job training, mentorship and education and career counseling through creative workforce development programs for under-resourced youth and formerly incarcerated persons.
CALIFORNIA INDIAN BASKETWEAVERS ASSOCIATION	Yolo	SRN-24-23724	\$32,405	With support from the California Arts Council, the California Indian Basketweavers Association (CIBA) will continue to promote the practice and study of traditional California Indian basketry techniques and forms. CIBA does this by conducting regional workshops and an annual gathering that bring in master basketweavers to teach local community members the technique and history of basketry in California, as well to discuss issues and opportunities surrounding land access for gathering basketry materials. We strongly believe that these events strengthen the bond within these communities and provide a level of healing, by honoring and engaging in these rich traditional cultural practices. Additionally, we have established and are nurturing the rapport with public agencies to have dialogue on, to advocate for, and to understand the existing regulations regarding ancestral land access, pesticide use and traditional cultural burning.
CALIFORNIA POETS IN THE SCHOOL	Sonoma	SRN-24-22632	\$32,405	With support from the California Arts Council, CALIFORNIA POETS IN THE SCHOOLS will support a statewide, professional network of California poets to gain training, certification, funding assistance and a professional affiliation that paves the way for them to skillfully earn income while teaching poetry to audiences of all ages within their local communities. Specifically, we will offer 50+ free events including training, professional development, arts creation and performance opportunities, host a three day, statewide conference geared towards Poet-Teachers, foster mentorships, and provide marketing assistance to promote our members' professional practices.
CALIFORNIANS FOR THE ARTS	Sacramento	SRN-24-24447	\$32,405	With support from the California Arts Council, CA for the Arts champions arts and culture as essential to vibrant communities through statewide programming, services, and advocacy networks that foster public awareness, center equity, and generate resources to cultivate a thriving arts and cultural sector. Unique in a cross-sectoral approach, bridging connections, empowering arts and cultural communities, and uplifting marginalized voices, CA for the Arts translates public need to public policy. CA for the Arts understands that arts and culture are essential to the wellbeing of society and embedded in community life and we advocate for policies where arts, culture and creativity intersect with broader policy change to reshape systems toward equity and justice. CA for the Arts' diverse approach holds space for the arts ecosystem to articulate vision, strategy, and equity across the cultural sector.
CATAMARAN LITERARY READER	Santa Cruz	SRN-24-23817	\$46,293	With support from the California Arts Council, Catamaran Literary Reader will publish poetry, fiction, creative nonfiction, and fine art images from poets, authors, and artists of all ages, races, classes in a literary and fine arts journal. Our journal is distributed both regionally and statewide, and our public programs for live readings, workshops, and events are held both regionally and statewide through literary events and arts educational courses open to the public.

CHORAL CONSORTIUM OF SAN DIEGO	San Diego	SRN-24-23601	\$6,481	With support from the California Arts Council, Choral Consortium of San Diego will offer public programming, networking, and development/educational opportunities to individuals and organizations producing choral music across the San Diego/Tijuana region, with a special emphasis placed on meeting the needs of and celebrating the achievements of singers in historically-underrepresented areas. This emphasis may include new member outreach, recruiting for leadership opportunities, program participation and leadership invitations, and cross-cultural networking opportunities.
CREATE CA	Los Angeles	SRN-24-22918	\$32,405	With support from the California Arts Council, Create CA will amplify our collective impact in the field of arts education and build the public will and local organizing infrastructure necessary to ensure all California students receive a culturally responsive arts education.
DANCERS GROUP	San Francisco	SRN-24-23217	\$46,293	With support from the California Arts Council, Dancers' Group will offer free programs and services, interfacing frequently with those in the dance community of the nine-county San Francisco Bay Area. Staff will manage a free membership program of more than 2,100 and Fiscal Sponsorship and CA\$H Dance re-granting programs; promote and present free public programming like Bay Area Dance Week; and maintain comprehensive ongoing communications and information sharing with the dance community through the online publication "In Dance" and weekly emails —on our website and posts on social media— that feature jobs, grant opportunities, auditions, and discounts to attend performances and other activities in the Bay Area.
EMERGING ARTS PROFESSIONALS/SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA	San Francisco	SRN-24-22815	\$32,405	With support from the California Arts Council, Emerging Arts Professionals/San Francisco Bay Area will provide pathways to meaningful, sustainable, equitable work for Bay Area arts and culture workers through existing programming (Fellowship, Artists' Adaptability Circles, Affinity Circles, Emergence, and Equity Training), actively participating in leadership workgroups and advocacy think tanks, and further building a sustainable staffing model.
ETM-LA INC	Los Angeles	SRN-24-23735	\$46,293	With support from the California Arts Council, ETM-LA, Inc. will provide equitable support to a network of LA County schools, districts, communities, and artists through quality music education programs and professional development. Students in under-resourced areas will receive free music classes taught by teaching artists to close the opportunity gap.
FRONT PORCH MUSIC	Contra Costa	SRN-24-25064	\$6,481	With support from the California Arts Council, Front Porch Music will build on its successful track record of networking acoustic musicians across Contra Costa, Alameda, Solano, Marin, and San Francisco counties. Since 2019, our core programs—including monthly open mic nights and affordable public performances—have been serving senior musicians, emerging artists, and folk music lovers throughout the region. Our network has grown from 20 to 250 members. This grant will enable us to add and maintain robust web features for musician profiles, collaboration and performance opportunities, and gig listings. Additionally, it will support nonprofit partnerships for a volunteer corps of Front Porch musicians to bring the joy of acoustic music to charitable events for marginalized communities. This grant will help ensure musicians are well-connected, fostering inclusivity, meaningful performances, and intergenerational connections for the community at large.
FULCRUM ARTS	Los Angeles	SRN-24-23720	\$32,405	With support from the California Arts Council, Fulcrum Arts will provide subsidized fiscal sponsorship and professional development services to 200-300 diverse artists through 85 projects throughout Southern California, focusing on the Los Angeles region. Outreach and programming target and uplift historically underrepresented populations, focused on those in lowest quartile and 50% HPI areas.
GREATER BAY AREA ARTS AND CULTURAL ADVOCACY COALITION	Sacramento	SRN-24-24861	\$16,203	With support from the California Arts Council, California for the Arts will serve as the fiscal sponsor of the Greater Bay Area Arts and Cultural Advocacy Coalition. The Coalition delivers advocacy programming in the form of in-person convenings, monthly calls, and financial support of professional development for advocates. The Coalition builds the capacity of artists, arts organizations, and arts supporters in the region to engage in the public policy making process at city, county, and state levels. The education activities equip members to take action in two issue areas: 1) equitable investment and capacity building for artists and small and BIPOC-led organizations and 2) community economic and cultural resilience. The Coalition aims to strengthen Greater Bay Area communities by shaping arts, cultural, and community development agendas and developing recommendations that inform policy implementation.

HIP HOP CONGRESS INC	San Mateo	SRN-24-23546	\$32,405	HIP HOP CONGRESS INC will support its California-based regions in Humboldt, Placer, Sacramento, Mendocino, Alameda, San Francisco, San Mateo, San Jose, Santa Cruz and Los Angeles counties with ongoing and new community-based programs; compensate its workshop leaders and volunteer staff for its 2024 National Conference in San Francisco; compensate leadership staff for monthly chapter and artist network professional development days through June 2025; pay teaching artists serving public Title I schools through its statewide H2E2 educational initiative for the 2024-25 school year; develop a statewide community network of artist services and resources for launching regional and chapter tours; and compensate a marketing team to document these activities through its online global networking platforms, podcasts, and radio shows.
HUMAN FAMILY EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL INSTITUTE	Los Angeles	SRN-24-23397	\$32,405	With support from the California Arts Council, the HUMAN FAMILY EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL INSTITUTE will build upon the strengths of our burgeoning state and regional network, which consists of The Humanitas Prizes, New Voices Fellowship, College Screenwriting Awards, and Public Programs including the Industry 101 event series, The Writers Room educational program, and Groceries for Writers, a direct aid project. The network benefits early-to-mid-career writers and partner organizations.
INK PEOPLE INC	Humboldt	SRN-24-24087	\$32,405	With support from the California Arts Council, Ink People Inc will deepen professional development opportunities for the 100+ projects fiscally sponsored within the DreamMaker Program, will support regional leadership opportunities for cultural practitioners and creatives, and will collaborate with allied organizations and artist-leaders to further establish connectivity amongst cultural leaders throughout the region. The Ink People will also continue to develop advocacy and networking efforts throughout the region and State.
INLAND EMPIRE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION	Riverside	SRN-24-24414	\$32,405	With support from the California Arts Council, the Inland Empire Community Foundation (IECF) in partnership with San Bernardino Arts Connection (SBAC) and Riverside Arts Council (RAC)) will build capacity for the Inland Empire Arts Partnership (IEAP), formed with input from 74 artists, arts & cultural administrators and culture bearers to create a collective vision of cooperation among the IE creative bloc and to provide a long-term direction and framework with actionable strategies for advancing the arts, culture, and creative industries sector in the Inland Empire region. IEAP will evaluate the impact this grant has in advancing equity for the communities across the Inland Empire region by co-creating an equity framework with concrete actionable strategies and objectives within each of the committees
INLANDIA INSTITUTE	Riverside	SRN-24-22909	\$46,293	With support from the California Arts Council, INLANDIA INSTITUTE will foster an equitable, diverse, and inclusive network of literary artists working across the spectrum of skill levels. Using our vertically integrated experience-based model, we will create an engaged, supportive environment that nurtures regional writers, from beginners through intermediate practitioners to professional authors. An important feature of this model includes job creation and professional development through employing these literary artists as workshop facilitators, panelists, guest speakers, as well as program staff, therefore supporting the regional creative economy. These literary artists in turn will share their expertise through workshops, creative literacy activities, and outreach and engagement programs. This model is expansive, allowing for progressive growth and opportunities at every level.
INTERMUSIC SF	San Francisco	SRN-24-24726	\$32,405	With support from the California Arts Council, InterMusic SF will continue to promote artistic and cultural engagement by providing vital resources for artists, and bolstering access for community members to live music throughout the Bay Area region. InterMusic SF empowers music creators and cultural bearers to serve as the foundation for a sustainable creative environment that is diverse, equitable, and inclusive. InterMusic SF will remain steadfast in its founding commitments of providing capacity-building services to community members, enabling artists and cultural bearers and practitioners to continue to be active community-engagers that passionately bring people together for shared musical experiences. Now in its 26 year, InterMusic SF's programming includes: Fiscal Sponsorship Program; Musical Grant Program; Professional Development Workshop Series; and InterMusic Presents, producing admission-free performances like, SF Music Day and the Listen Local Concert Series.

INTERSECTION FOR THE ARTS	San Francisco	SRN-24-24927	\$32,405	With support from the California Arts Council, Intersection for the Arts will continue to offer our robust programs and arts services including fiscal sponsorship, professional development, and low-cost shared administrative and creation space in the heart of San Francisco to diverse Bay Area artists and cultural workers. CAC funding will support Intersection's capacity building programming for the Bay Area's artists and small arts organizations including our Fiscal Sponsorship Program and our Artists Learning in Community Program which will offer the following professional development programs: BIPOC Arts Leadership Program, Arts Finance Empowerment Camp, Art of the Hustle marketing cohort, Coaching Cohort Circles, Grants Coaching & Proposal Reviews, and our Annual Membership Meeting.
KALA INSTITUTE	Alameda	SRN-24-24742	\$32,405	With support from the California Arts Council, Kala Institute will serve as a regional hub, broadening the scope and services offered to individual artists including teaching artists and arts administrators working in the artist residency field or other non-profit art spaces who share similar missions to support artists work over the long arc of their careers. Services offered to the network include professional development classes, art workshops, artist and arts administrators meet-ups and resource sharing, teaching artist training, artist residencies field sharing, fiscal sponsorship, art sales and consulting, and sharing of gallery and classroom space.
KALEIDOSCOPE CHAMBER ORCHESTRA	Los Angeles	SRN-24-24082	\$46,293	With support from the California Arts Council, the Kaleidoscope Chamber Orchestra will provide musicians and composers in California with crucial opportunities for career advancement and professional development through our call for scores program.
LATINO ARTS NETWORK	Sacramento	SRN-24-24242	\$32,405	With support from the California Arts Council, the Latino Arts Network will implement the project "Advancing California's Traditional Artists" which will create a directory of California traditional artists who interpret dances related to Mexican cultural celebrations. The directory will include fees, contact information and images and be distributed by LAN to cultural centers, and college and university presenters. Additionally, LAN will provide technical support in the areas of budget development and employment requirements to organizations who wish to tour.
LOS ANGELES BALLET INC	Los Angeles	SRN-24-24298	\$32,405	With support from the California Arts Council, Los Angeles Ballet (LAB) will provide programming with, and cultivate the growth of, a network of artists, creators, and culture bearers committed to ballet. As the only professional ballet company in Los Angeles and the largest dance company in Southern California, LAB believes that ballet is a transcendent art form that should be shared with and enjoyed by as many people as possible. LAB is committed to Los Angeles' imaginative spirit of what is possible, what is unique, and what is the future. Through our network of professional dancers, theatrical designers, composers, choreographers, emerging artists, and community partners, LAB's objectives are to: 1) Present bold, innovative works; 2) Collaborate with a diverse array of artists; 3) Expand people's knowledge of and appreciation for ballet.
LOS ANGELES PERFORMANCE PRACTICE	Los Angeles	SRN-24-22737	\$46,293	With support from the California Arts Council, Los Angeles Performance Practice (LAPP) will host and further develop our deeply enriching programs for artists, including free artist consultation sessions, artistic and professional development workshops, research and development support for new creative projects, and a newly piloted program that creates an intentional community of artists who gather for robust peer-to-peer systems of support as they resource a new performance project.
LUNA KIDS DANCE INC	Alameda	SRN-24-22501	\$46,293	With support from the California Arts Council, LUNA KIDS DANCE INC will engage and support a community of artists and educators who teach dance to children, youth, and families throughout California. CAC funds will enable members in Luna Dance & Creativity's Professional Learning (PL) network to receive professional development services, mentorship, and leadership support throughout their career. In 2022-23, CAC funding made it possible for Luna to mentor and support 519 teachers through PL who collectively taught 35,895 kids (3,221 with disabilities). Teachers, Teaching Artists (TAs) and students represented all regions of California, especially under-resourced populations. Newly situated in its ADA-accessible permanent home in Berkeley, Luna will utilize CAC funding to build on previous efforts and provide increased opportunities for rich in-person connection for its PL network while continuing to offer opportunities to gather and learn online.

MEDIAARTS CENTER SAN DIEGO	San Diego	SRN-24-24435	\$46,293	With support from the California Arts Council, Media Arts Center San Diego (MACSD) will strengthen its long-running Frontera Filmmakers initiative that serves diverse, underrepresented filmmakers; and helps to grow the filmmaking industry in the San Diego County border region, with professional trainings to develop skills, exhibition opportunities, networking to enhance industry relationships, work-readiness opportunities, and fiscal sponsorship for filmmakers' projects.
PLAYGROUND INC	Alameda	SRN-24-23227	\$32,405	With support from the California Arts Council, PlayGround will continue its important work as an arts service organization, providing services to hundreds of California playwrights, directors, and actors through a robust array of programming designed to launch the work of emerging artists, with a focus on uplifting historically marginalized voices through our policies and practices, staffing, board, artists, audiences, and programming. PlayGround's mission is to support the development of significant new local voices for the theatre, particularly those historically marginalized including BIPOC, women, and LGBTQIA+, helping to launch these writers onto the national scene. Funding from the California Arts Council will assist PlayGround in our efforts to fulfill our mission as a regional arts service organization, serving early-career to veteran artists across California, all working together to create new, daring works for the stage.
PLAYWRIGHTS FOUNDATION INC	San Francisco	SRN-24-23378	\$41,664	With support from the California Arts Council, Playwrights Foundation (PF) will support a diverse network of over 50 outstanding regional early- and mid-career playwrights in the San Francisco Bay Area—with a particular focus on under-resourced and historically excluded writers—by providing them with the tools they need to advance their playwriting careers, including: material resources, promotion, classes and seminars, networking opportunities, new play development processes, career planning, artistic retreats, advocacy, and other professional support activities.
POETRY FLASH	Alameda	SRN-24-22904	\$19,443	With support from the California Arts Council, Poetry Flash will promote, present, publish, educate, and advocate for poetry and literature in California. We will present the Poetry Flash Reading Series, one of the longest running and highest-profile poetry series on the West Coast, along with the annual all-genre Northern California Book Awards, California Translation Awards, Watershed Environmental Poetry Festival, and the John Oliver Simon Legacy Project to bring poet-teachers into local schools. We will publish Poetryflash.org, an online review and literary event calendar for California, to provide our readership and audiences with quality reviews, essays, interviews, poems, and literary news from award-winning and insightful contributors. Poetry Flash will build community through literary presenting, publishing, and outreach, and generate enthusiasm and access for poetry and the literary arts among the widest possible audiences.
POETS & WRITERS INC	Los Angeles	SRN-24-24066	\$46,293	With support from the California Arts Council, Poets & Writers will strengthen the vibrant literary network built over decades of work with California writers and literary presenters. We will regrant \$25,000 to support literary events in big cities and small towns throughout the state, convene two regional roundtable meetings for California writers and literary presenters to exchange information and ideas and make connections, manage regional listservs to facilitate communication between members of the state's diverse literary communities, provide technical assistance to support writers and presenters planning literary events statewide, and host online tools that connect California writers with opportunities throughout the state and beyond.
QCC-THE CENTER FOR LESBIAN GAY BISEXUAL TRANSGENDER ART & CULTURE	San Francisco	SRN-24-25055	\$32,405	With support from the CAC, QCC will promote the artistic and economic development of the SF Bay Area's LGBTQ2S+ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and two-spirit) arts community by: 1) publishing 12 monthly newsletters; 2) providing fiscal sponsorship and grant writing services to 12 emerging LGBTQ2S+ arts groups and individual artists; 3) and conducting 8-12 capacity-building workshops. Additionally, funding will support an active assessment of the current Fiscally Sponsored Project program in order to increase its effectiveness, capacity, and reach, with a focus on extending QCC's ability to support QTBIPOC (queer and transgender black, indigenous, and people of color) artists and arts organizations throughout California.

SAN DIEGO CREATIVE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT NETWORK	San Diego	SRN-24-22469	\$32,405	With support from the California Arts Council, the San Diego Creative Youth Development Network will strengthen its organizational capacity by ensuring its administrators, governing body, youth leaders, mentors, artists, and cultural practitioners are equitably compensated and representative of the communities served; its professional development opportunities are inclusive and accessible to individuals of all abilities, and across culturally specific and geographically diverse communities, and its policies/practices/procedures are anti-racist and focused on cultural, ethnic, and racial diversity. We will operationalize equity in our decision-making across all our activities to reach our equity goals with open- mindedness, responsiveness, and adaptability to uplift systemically under-resourced, excluded, and erased artists, communities, and cultural practices. We will collect data to measure the impact the Network has across our community.
SAN DIEGO MUSEUM COUNCIL INC	San Diego	SRN-24-23899	\$32,405	With support from the California Arts Council, SAN DIEGO MUSEUM COUNCIL INC will increase accessibility for under-served communities to more than 80 culturally diverse member museums with three major San Diego County regional programs: “Museum Month” (half-off admission) in February Presented in partnership with 83 San Diego County Libraries and First 5 San Diego “The Big Exchange” (free admission with memberships) in May “Kids Free San Diego” (free admission ages 12 and under) in October Presented in partnership with First 5 San Diego and the San Diego Tourism Authority. We also provide substantial marketing support, collaboration opportunities, professional development, co-op advertising and networking opportunities for member museums and their people and continue to support historically marginalized cultural institutions. We also actively serve as arts and culture funding advocates on a state and local level.
SAN DIEGO PERFORMING ARTS LEAGUE	San Diego	SRN-24-24608	\$32,405	With support from the California Arts Council, the San Diego Performing Arts League (SDPAL) will enable our organization to focus on long-term sustainability by contracting with a development consultant, and invest in strategic marketing initiatives centered around increasing accessibility to the arts. If granted, these funds would benefit all of our member organizations and individuals, but especially those organizations and individuals with smaller budgets. Nearly 50% of the arts organizations in San Diego County operate with budgets less than \$100,000 per year, and limited resources for marketing. Our unique, collaborative marketing model enables us to provide marketing support for these organizations that they otherwise could not afford. This ultimately builds audience development, impacts economic growth in the arts and is helping SDPAL become more relevant to the region.
SAN DIEGO REGIONAL ARTS AND CULTURE COALITION	San Diego	SRN-24-23555	\$32,405	San Diego ART Matters, an arts advocacy and service organization, seeks support for annual general operations and funding to implement the following five projects that align with SDAM's strategic plan: “San Diego Artists Count” - a county-wide artist assessment and census project; San Diego Dance Network to support the career development of professional dance artists; Rising Arts Leaders - San Diego, a network for early career creative workers; and, San Diego County - “Arts Now”, an arts education coalition and advocacy network established in partnership with Create CA. Funds will also support the development of an online job board for San Diego creatives hosted on the SDAM website.
SKID ROW ARTS ALLIANCE	Los Angeles	SRN-24-23924	\$32,405	With support from the California Arts Council, Skid Row Arts Alliance will develop and create artistic experiences for the largest unhoused community in America, namely, the Skid Row community of Los Angeles, that is served by SRAA members Los Angeles Poverty Department, Urban Voices Project and Piece-by-Piece, among others.

STREET SYMPHONY PROJECT INC	Los Angeles	SRN-24-23863	\$32,405	With support from the California Arts Council, STREET SYMPHONY PROJECT INC will continue to invest in the artistic and human flourishing of individuals recovering from incarceration, addiction and homelessness living in the Skid Row community of Los Angeles through collaborative workshops, performances, and individual instruction - particularly in the creation of new multidisciplinary works of performing art presented entirely for free in Skid Row shelters, clinics and community centers. Since 2011, Street Symphony has provided thousands of world-class musical programs with nearly 100 individual LA-based artists from across a variety of diverse musical genres (Jazz, Mariachi, Reggae, West African Drumming, Son Jarocho, Choral and Classical) - bringing in the voices of musicians and artists living in Skid Row shelters who participate in Street Symphony's programs. All Street Symphony artists - including community members, are paid a professional honorarium.
THE DANCE BRIGADE A NEW GROUP FROM WALLFLOWER ORDER	San Francisco	SRN-24-23972	\$46,293	With support from the California Arts Council, Dance Mission Theater (DMT) will expand its inclusive, artist-driven programming to further racial and gender equity in the arts. Funds will support the development of new works by women, gender-expansive artists, and artists of color. DMT will enhance accessibility by offering affordable classes, performances, and studio rentals, ensuring economic barriers do not prevent participation. We will continue to foster partnerships with local cultural organizations, support emerging artists through showcases and residencies, and provide free dance and wellness programs for underserved communities. Additionally, funds will be used to sustain our accessibility upgrades and support our full-time Accessibility Coordinator, ensuring all programs and services are accessible to people with disabilities. This grant will enable DMT to deepen its impact on the Bay Area's diverse artistic community.
THE DANCE RESOURCE CENTER OF GREATER LOS ANGELES	Los Angeles	SRN-24-23216	\$32,405	With support from the California Arts Council, The Dance Resource Center of Greater Los Angeles (DRC) will continue to support and strengthen dance and creative infrastructure and programming and deliver on its mission of being the effective centralized resource service organization, network and advocacy center for Greater LA and Southern California dance on local, state and national levels.
THEATRE BAY AREA	San Francisco	SRN-24-24843	\$32,405	With support from the California Arts Council, Theatre Bay Area will pursue our mission of service and support for the Bay Area theatre community by providing grants, programs, services, convening for the field, and audience-building activities across 13 counties.
TURNAROUND ARTS CALIFORNIA	Los Angeles	SRN-24-23513	\$32,405	With support from the California Arts Council, Turnaround Arts: California will develop the capacity of our network of arts organizations, teaching artists, and arts integration schools to advance our shared goals for leveraging the arts to build more equitable learning environments for students across California.
WEST COAST SONGWRITERS ASSOCIATION	San Mateo	SRN-24-24127	\$19,443	With support from the California Arts Council, WEST COAST SONGWRITERS ASSOCIATION (WCSA) will build on its historic, 45 consecutive years of artist support and programmatic work to deliver targeted professional services to the organization's members and inclusive, statewide community of independent singers/songwriters/musicians. All services are designed and delivered with a prominent focus on the association's priorities for ever-increasing diversity across age, culture, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, sexual orientation and gender identity. Funds will be allocated to support community outreach along with content design, editorial, and production for WCSA's robust schedule of workshops, trainings, conferences, networking events, creative collaborations and peer reviews, in-community performance showcases with professional hosts and moderators, online forums and publications, competitions, professional skills training for music marketing and licensing, and promotion of member performances, new releases, and successful commercial placements or creative recognition.
WOMEN IN ANIMATION INC	Los Angeles	SRN-24-22973	\$32,405	With the support from the California Arts Council, Women in Animation (WIA) will be able to scale its services and partnerships in LA and the San Francisco Bay Area, moving closer to realizing its key goal of seeing 50% of creative roles in the animation industry (including VFX and gaming) held by people identifying as women (cis and trans), non-binary people, and other underrepresented gender identities. Funds will support our regional network in California, including WIA's programming in LA and the Bay Area, and facilitating the Animation Advocacy Collaborative. With a strong community and history of operations in each region, a \$50,000 investment will allow WIA to increase its Mentorship Circles and professional development events in each region; support hiring equity-focused consultants; and create and implement a community-development curriculum in LA and San Francisco.

WOMENS AUDIO MISSION	San Francisco	SRN-24-23048	\$46,293	With support from the California Arts Council, Women’s Audio Mission (WAM) will continue scaling our award-winning music production training, artist recording residencies, mentorship, and performance programs to Los Angeles to meet ever-growing demand for our programs in Southern California. Serving 2,500+ California women/girls/gender-expansive artists from under-resourced communities (96% low-income, 93% BIPOC) every year, WAM addresses the staggering gender inequity in the music and media industries, where fewer than 5% of the people creating the sounds, music, and media in the soundtrack of our lives are women/ gender-expansive. Named “Best Hope for the Future of Music” by the SF Weekly, WAM has been an essential part of the Northern California music ecosystem/community for over 21 years. WAM is ready to bring this successful model to Los Angeles and create a much deeper impact on the music industry.
YOUNG AUDIENCES OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA	San Francisco	SRN-24-22619	\$32,405	With support from the California Arts Council, Young Audiences of Northern California will provide professional development training and other support to our network of teaching artists and educators, with the ultimate goal of strengthening arts education practices within the Bay Area to support and expand student learning.
YOUTH SPEAKS INC	San Francisco	SRN-24-22939	\$32,405	With support from the California Arts Council Youth Speaks will continue to advance our Northern California Individual Artist Network program providing much needed technical assistance and professional development opportunities to artists and culture bearers living and working in 34 Northern California Counties. As an organization whose core competency is in the development and support of youth, artists and intergenerational culture bearers, the CAC’s general operating support for Statewide and Regional Networks, would allow us to refine and continue to build our organizational approach around artists equity that is rooted in equity, social justice, and inclusion.
ZOO LABS	San Francisco	SRN-24-22594	\$46,293	With support from the California Arts Council, Zoo Labs will elevate our decade of work in bridging the worlds of art and business and empowering artists to own and amplify their creations. We will continue to produce free specialized educational content for creative entrepreneurs, fund wages for artist-instructors, and fund important accessibility features like Spanish language translations of our courses. We will enact marketing and outreach strategies to increase awareness of our grant program and educational resources for BIPOC creative entrepreneurs throughout the nine counties of the Bay Area. Funding will also support staff salaries and administrative costs. This support will help us expand our educational resources and deepen their connection to the Zoo Labs FUND to support sustainable BIPOC-led artist ecosystems in the Bay Area.