

Date: February 28, 2024

To: Members,
Cultural Affairs Council

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Director

Subject: FY 2023-2024 Summer Arts & Science Camps for Kids (SAS-C) Grants Program
Recommendations

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Council approve the funding of 30 grants for a total of \$900,000.00 for the FY 2023-2024 Summer Arts & Science Camps for Kids (SAS-C) Grants Program.

BACKGROUND

The FY 2023-2024 Summer Arts & Science Camps for Kids (SAS-C) Grants Panel, chaired by Councilor Monty Trainer, convened on Thursday, February 22, 2024, to review 30 applications requesting a total of \$1,112,936.00. One organization was a first-time applicant. The Panel recommended funding 30 applications for a total of \$900,000.00.

The Summer Arts & Science Camps for Kids (SAS-C) Grants Program was created as a joint initiative of the Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs and The Children's Trust. The objective of the SAS-C Grants Program is to grant funding to non-profit organizations that will provide underserved children in Miami-Dade County with opportunities to attend high quality cultural arts or science summer camp programs at little or no cost. Funding through the SAS-C Grants Program is intended to augment existing camp programs, providing more children with the opportunity to participate in cultural arts and science summer camps. Applicants to this program must have a minimum one-year track record of providing high quality, arts or science summer camp programs for children and/or youth in Miami-Dade County.

The Panel specifically evaluated each applicant organization based on the following competitive review criteria: 1) impact, 2) artistic/scientific merit, 3) management capability, and 4) priority attention considerations (reach and expanded program offerings as noted below).

Priority attention for evaluating applications was given to:

- projects that address children and youth whose ability to participate in such programs may be limited by geography, economics, or disability, including those who are otherwise regularly identified as belonging to special populations, such as lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender youth; children in foster care; youth under the jurisdiction of the juvenile justice system; children with incarcerated parents; and those who are experiencing homelessness;
- projects that can expand program offerings and/or capacity in order to reach a broader population of underserved children and youth; and
- projects in which unduplicated children and youth underwritten by SAS-C funding will attend the camp program for at least 19 program days.

Attached is a list describing the projects recommended for funding.

Funding for the FY 2023-2024 Summer Arts & Science Camps for Kids Grants Program is derived from funds granted to the Department from The Children's Trust (\$825,000) and funds from departmental proprietary revenues (\$75,000). All grant award recommendations are contingent upon approval by the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners and Mayor and are subject to availability of funds.

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Grant # 1 - Arts Ballet Theatre of Florida, Inc.

Recommended Award: \$40,000

15939 Biscayne Boulevard
North Miami Beach, Florida 33160
Arts Ballet Summer Programs 2024
District Location(s) for Project Activity: 4

Grant funds are requested to support scholarships for 30 students ages 6-17, to attend the Arts Ballet Summer Programs from June 10 - August 17, 2024, at the Arts Ballet Studios in North Miami Beach. Camp activities will include dance, music, and art training. Participants will engage in ballet, contemporary, flamenco, hip-hop, music, and art classes. Students will learn other dance forms to develop essential character and life skills that empower success.

Grant # 2 - ArtSouth, A Not-For-Profit Corporation

Recommended Award: \$40,000

900 East Perrine Avenue
Palmetto Bay, Florida 33157
ArtSouth's Creative Arts Summer Camp
District Location(s) for Project Activity: 8, 3

Grant funds are requested to support scholarships for 56 students ages 6-15, to attend ArtSouth's Creative Arts Summer Camp from June 17 - August 9, 2024, at Miami Dade College Homestead Campus, Young Men's Preparatory Academy in Miami, and Sweet Home Academy in Perrine. Camp activities will include a variety of arts disciplines. Participants will engage in visual arts, music and dance and learn ballet, hip-hop, modern dance, 2 & 3-D design, singing and playing musical instruments.

Grant # 3 - CodeArt, Inc.

Recommended Award: \$13,941

550 NW 42nd Avenue
Miami, Florida 33126
Future Tech LeadHERs Summer Bootcamp
District Location(s) for Project Activity: 6

Grant funds are requested to support scholarships for 11 students ages 11-14, to attend Code/Art's Future Tech LeadHERs 2-week bootcamp from July 22 - August 2, 2024, at the Carnival Center for Excellence in the Flagami neighborhood. Camp activities will include computer science (CS) + art + tech projects, where campers will learn how to code video games, apps and art. Participants will also learn real-world applications of CS and get to explore career pathways in STEM.

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Grant # 4 - Diva Arts & Entertainment, Inc.

Recommended Award: \$40,000

4331 NW 194 Street
Miami, Florida 33055
Arts & Academics for Excellence Youth Summer Camp
District Location(s) for Project Activity: 1, 3

Grant funds are requested to support scholarships for 35 students ages 5-14, to attend the Arts & Academics for Excellence Youth Summer Camp from June 17 - August 2, 2024, at Diva Arts Dance Studio, in Miami Gardens. Camp activities will include dance, personal development, fashion, literacy, life skills, career readiness and technology. Participants will engage in an integrated curriculum that will help them to improve artistically, socially and academically.

Grant # 5 - Due to Arts, Inc.

Recommended Award: \$15,292

9300 NW 25 Street
Suite 105
Doral, Florida 33172
Performing Arts Summer Camp
District Location(s) for Project Activity: 12

Grant funds are requested to support scholarships for 12 students ages 7-13, to attend the Performing Arts Summer Camp from June 17 - August 9, 2024, at Due to Arts, Inc. located in Doral. Camp activities will include acting classes, corporal expression, dancing, etiquette, stage techniques and much more. Participants will learn discipline, consistency, focus and benefit from increased artistic ability and value-driven personal growth.

Grant # 6 - El Ingenio Inc.

Recommended Award: \$40,000

6300 SW 20th Terrace
Miami, Florida 33155
Innovative Musical Theater Camp.
District Location(s) for Project Activity: 5, 4

Grant funds are requested to support scholarships for 30 students ages 6-12, to attend the Innovative Musical Theater Camp from June 10 - August 2, 2024, at Centro Mater in Little Havana. Camp activities will include a variety of arts and science disciplines. Participants will engage in acting, singing, music, science experiments, dance, art, and crafts. Participants will use an original score performed with instruments made from recyclable materials in a bilingual play.

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Grant # 7 - Fantasy Theatre Factory, Inc.

Recommended Award: \$40,000

6103 NW 7 Avenue

Miami, Florida 33127

Fantasy Theatre Factory's Theater Arts Summer Camp

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 3

Grant funds are requested to support scholarships for 15 students ages 9-14, to attend the Fantasy Theatre Factory's Theater Arts Summer Camp from June 10 - August 2, 2024, at the Sandrell Rivers Theater in Liberty City. Camp activities will include acting, playwriting, technical production, voice, movement, dance and circus arts. Participants will engage in creating and rehearsing an original, multidisciplinary theatrical production and learn the diverse skills necessary to achieve in the arts.

Grant # 8 - Florida International University Board of Trustees

Recommended Award: \$24,583

11200 SW 8 Street

WPAC Room 110E

Miami, Florida 33199

FIU Theatre Summer Camp

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 11

Grant funds are requested to support scholarships for 12 students ages 6-17, to attend FIU Theatre Camp from July 8 - July 26, 2024, at the Wertheim Performing Arts Center on FIU's South Campus in Miami/Sweetwater. Camp activities will include public speaking, self-expression, and working collaboratively to create and perform an original production. Participants will engage in theatre crafts, writing, performance, and develop self-confidence and raise self-esteem.

Grant # 9 - Friends of the Bass Museum, Inc. dba BASS

Recommended Award: \$40,000

2100 Collins Avenue

Miami Beach, Florida 33139

IDEAS Summer Art Camps 2024

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 5

Grant funds are requested to support scholarships for 36 students ages 5-12, to attend IDEAS Summer Art Camps, from June 10 - August 9, 2024, at The Bass. Project activities will include week-long, themed visual arts activities designed to introduce campers to the IDEAS process and Design Thinking. Participants will engage in design challenges and hands-on artmaking, and benefit from the development of artmaking and 21st-century skills.

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Grant # 10 - Homestead Youth Arts Center, Inc.

Recommended Award: \$40,000

112 North Krome Avenue

Homestead, Florida 33030

Advance through Dance Summer Camp

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 9

Grant funds are requested to support scholarships for 30 students ages 5-17, to attend the Advance through Dance Camp from June 10 - August 2, 2024, at Paramount Dance Studios in Homestead. Camp activities include learning the fundamentals of ballet, tap, jazz, lyrical and hip-hop, while also exploring the realms of visual arts, creative writing, and engaging in STEM activities. Participants will engage in a multifaceted program and learn creative problem-solving and artistic expression.

Grant #11 - IFCM Corp.

Recommended Award: \$12,877

3 Island Avenue, 3J

Miami Beach, Florida 33139

FilmGate Miami's Youth Filmmaker and Podcast Making Bootcamps

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 5

Grant funds are requested to support scholarships for 15 students ages 12-17, to attend FilmGate Miami's Youth Filmmaker and Podcast Making Bootcamp from June 17 - 28, 2024 (session 1), and July 22-August 2, 2024 (session 2), in Miami Beach. Camp activities will include learning basic skills for acting, lighting, filming, editing and sound recording. Participants will learn the necessary skills of visual and audio storytelling and create projects that can be used to add to college acceptance portfolios.

Grant # 12 - Locust Projects, Inc.

Recommended Award: \$13,059

297 NE 67th Street

Miami, Florida 33138

Locust Art Builders (LAB): Summer Art Intensive for Teens in 2024

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 3

Grant funds are requested to support scholarships for 30 students ages 15-18, to attend LAB: Summer Art Intensive for Teens from June 18 - July 27, 2024, at Locust Project's new space in Miami's Little River neighborhood. Camp activities include professional artist workshops, learning about creative careers, and building an exhibition from scratch. Participants will learn technical artistic skills, and experiment with different media, tools, and techniques.

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Grant # 13 - Mahogany Youth Corporation

Recommended Award: \$40,000

Dr. Henry Mack K-8 WLR

Miami, Florida 33147

Connecting Youth With Nature

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 2, 9, 7, 13

Grant funds are requested to support scholarships for 20 students ages 6-18, to attend Mahogany Youth Corporation's Connecting Youth to Nature Camp from June 10 - July 26, 2024, at the Dr. Henry K. Mack K-8 School in West Little River. Camp activities include fishing, cooking, swimming, snorkeling, robotics, shark tagging, high-quality scientific research, and nature experiences. Participants will study marine science, technology, engineering, art, and math.

Grant # 14 - Marjory Stoneman Douglas Biscayne Nature Center, Inc.

Recommended Award: \$40,000

6767 Crandon Boulevard

Key Biscayne, Florida 33149

Summer by the Sea

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 7

Grant funds are requested to support scholarships for 50 students ages 8-12, to attend the Summer by the Sea Camp from June 10 - August 2, 2024, at the Marjory Stoneman Douglas Biscayne Nature Center in Crandon Park, Key Biscayne. Camp activities will include exploring South Florida habitats, kayaking, snorkeling, yoga, photography, music, dance, and art. Participants will engage in activities relating to life sciences, visual and performing arts and learn life enhancing facts and skills.

Grant # 15 - Miami City Ballet, Inc.

Recommended Award: \$40,000

2200 Liberty Avenue

Miami Beach, Florida 33139

Miami City Ballet School 2024 Summer Dance Camp

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 5

Grant funds are requested to support scholarships for 15 students ages 10-19, to attend the Miami City Ballet School 2024 Summer Dance Camp from June 24 - July 26, 2024, at Miami City Ballet Studios in Miami Beach. Camp activities will include advanced dance training and extra-curricular enrichment activities. Participants will engage in a training schedule that includes ballet technique, contemporary dance, repertory variations, and Pilates, and learn dance history and music appreciation.

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Grant # 16 - Miami New Drama, Inc.

Recommended Award: \$40,000

1040 Lincoln Road
Miami Beach, Florida 33139
Miami New Drama Summer Theater Intensives
District Location(s) for Project Activity: 5

Grant funds are requested to support scholarships for 20 students ages 8-12, to attend the Miami New Drama Summer Theater Intensive from July 8 - August 9, 2024, at the Miami Beach Regional Library in Miami Beach. Camp activities will include courses focused on writing, voice, movement, acting, and design. Participants will engage in theater and learn the process for creating a show, tools for self-expression, and performance and technical theater training.

Grant # 17 - Miami Stage Company/Miami Children's Theater Inc.

Recommended Award: \$24,707

11155 SW 112 Avenue
Miami, Florida 33176
MCT Summer Camps 2024
District Location(s) for Project Activity: 7

Grant funds are requested to support scholarships for 45 students ages 5-18, to attend Miami Children's Theater's Creative Camps and Broadway Bound Camp from June 10 - August 3, 2024, at the Alper JCC in Kendall. Camp activities will include staging a musical theater production every four weeks. Participants will engage in all disciplines surrounding musical theater and learn singing, dancing, acting and technical theater skills.

Grant # 18 - Miami Theater Center Inc.

Recommended Award: \$40,000

9806 NE 2nd Avenue
Miami Shores, Florida 33138
MTC Musical Theater Summer Camp
District Location(s) for Project Activity:

Grant funds are requested to support scholarships for 20 students ages 8-14, to attend the MTC Musical Theater Summer Camp from June 10 - August 9, 2024, at the Miami Theater Center in Miami Shores. Camp activities will include acting, dance, and music. Participants will be guided by expert teaching artists to create unique shows by scripting and choreographing.

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Grant # 19 - Moonlighter FabLab, Inc.

Recommended Award: \$22,064

1661 Pennsylvania Avenue
Miami Beach, Florida 33139
Summer STEAM Maker Camp
District Location(s) for Project Activity: 5

Grant funds are requested to support scholarships for 25 students ages 7-12, to attend the Summer STEAM Maker Camp from July 8 - August 9, 2024, at Moonlighter FabLab in Miami Beach. Camp activities will include digital fabrication, 3-D printing, 3-D and 2-D design, design thinking, circuitry, engineering, entrepreneurship and more. Participants will be challenged with a new project theme each week and learn the technical skills needed to solve the real-world problem with a project they create.

Grant # 20 - Museum of Contemporary Art, Inc.

Recommended Award: \$25,424

770 NE 125th Street
North Miami, Florida 33161
MOCA Summer Art Camps 2024
District Location(s) for Project Activity: 3

Grant funds are requested to support scholarships for 22 students ages 6-13, to attend MOCA Summer Art Camps from June 10 - August 16, 2024, at the Museum of Contemporary Art in North Miami. Camp activities will include studio arts and dynamic design. Participants will engage in 2-D and 3-D artmaking and learn drawing, painting and sculpture, digital photography, and graphic design.

Grant # 21 - Paige and Friends Helping Hands Inc.

Recommended Award: \$23,783

67 NW 183rd Street
Miami Gardens, Florida 33169
PAF Techs Coding, Robotics, AI, STEAM Camp
District Location(s) for Project Activity: 1, 1, 1

Grant funds are requested to support scholarships for 15 students ages 11-17, to attend the PAF Techs Coding, Robotics, AI, STEAM Camp from June 17 - July 26, 2024, at Miami Carol City Middle School in Carol City. Campers will engage in fun, easy to follow, hands-on lessons that align with Next Generation Science Standards facilitated by certified robotics/science teachers. Participants will learn coding, programming, spatial reasoning, robotic engineering, and computer science, along with interpersonal skills.

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Grant # 22 - Para Bajitos Inc.

Recommended Award: \$21,295

420 SW 12th Avenue

#1005

Miami, Florida 33130

Para Bajitos Summer Camp 2024

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 6

Grant funds are requested to support scholarships for 40 students ages 6-12, to attend the Para Bajitos Summer Camp 2024 from June 10 - August 2, 2024, at the Westchester Cultural Art Center. Camp activities will include theater, visual arts, and music classes. Participants will engage in playwriting, acting, scenography, drawing, painting, rhythm, and dance. Classes will be bilingual (English and Spanish) and the final show will be performed fully in Spanish.

Grant # 23 - South Florida Youth Symphony, Inc.

Recommended Award: \$25,877

12645 SW 114 Avenue

Miami, Florida 33176

2024 Summer Music Academy

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 2

Grant funds are requested to support scholarships for 50 students ages 7-18, to attend the 2024 Summer Music Academy from June 17 - July 12, 2024, at the Miami Dade College North Campus. Camp activities will include learning to play and perform an instrument, studying the form of music, learning keyboard skills and rhythmic skills to help in musical expressions. Participants will engage in a variety of music activities and learn skills necessary to perform.

Grant # 24 - South Temple Empowerment Project, Inc.

Recommended Award: \$18,652

4400 NW 17 Avenue

Miami, Florida 33142

2024 STEAM SUMMER CAMP

District Location(s) for Project Activity: 3

Grant funds are requested to support scholarships for 30 students ages 6-14, to attend the 2024 STEAM SUMMER CAMP from June 10 - July 26, 2024, at South Temple Empowerment Project's (STEP) headquarters in Liberty City. Camp activities include arts and science projects to inspire, educate, and expose students to a variety of arts and science careers. Participants will take weekly field trips and attend classes taught by local artists that will prepare students for an artistic production and performance to showcase in STEP's gallery.

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Grant # 25 - The Children's Voice Chorus, Inc.

Recommended Award: \$40,000

14401 Old Cutler Road
Palmetto Bay, Florida 33158
The Children's Voice Choral Camp - Making the Music Video
District Location(s) for Project Activity: 8

Grant funds are requested to support scholarships for 50 students ages 8-17, to attend The Children's Voice Choral Camp - Making the Music Video from July 8 - August 2, 2024, at the Old Cutler Presbyterian Church in Palmetto Bay. Activities will include beginning through advanced choral instruction, music theory, dance, and film and audio production. Participants will engage in music education and choral rehearsals and learn musicianship, songwriting, and vocal technique.

Grant # 26 - The Florida City Foundation, Inc.

Recommended Award: \$25,008

404 West Palm Drive
Florida City, Florida 33034
Florida City Foundation STEM Summer Camp
District Location(s) for Project Activity: 9

Grant funds are requested to support scholarships for 30 students ages 11-14, to attend the Florida City Foundation STEM Summer Camp from June 10th - August 9, 2024, at the Florida City Youth Activity Center in Florida City. Camp activities include STEM, aeroponic gardening, art, recreation, swimming, and field trips. Participants will engage in STEM, gardening, arts, creativity, and learn to be innovative art and STEM thinkers and leaders.

Grant # 27 - The Opera Atelier, Inc.

Recommended Award: \$40,000

970 SW 1st Street
Suite 408
Miami, Florida 33130
The MOZ-Art Program
District Location(s) for Project Activity: 5

Grant funds are requested to support scholarships for 20 students ages 9-17, to attend the MOZ-ART Program from June 12 - July 23, 2024, in Little Havana. Activities will include sequential training in opera, musical, and zarzuela. Participants will study singing, diction, theory, and notation, participating in coaching, and rehearsals, and culminating with productions at the Manuel Artime Theater, with additional performances of zarzuela and musical selections in various Miami-Dade venues.

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Grant # 28 - The Salvation Army

Recommended Award: \$25,592

1907 NW 38th Street
Miami, Florida 33142
The Salvation Army Miami Music Camp
District Location(s) for Project Activity: 3

Grant funds are requested to support scholarships for 54 students ages 7-16, to attend The Salvation Army Miami Music Camp from June 10 - July 6, 2024, at North Miami Corps in Miami. Camp activities include morning and afternoon music instruction for all levels, field trips and a recital at the Little Haiti Cultural Center. Participants will study brass, piano, xylophone, string instruments, digital production and learn fundamental music and performance skills.

Grant # 29 - University of Miami

Recommended Award: \$24,017

1320 South Dixie Highway
Suite 650
Coral Gables, Florida 33146
University of Miami Science Summer Camp
District Location(s) for Project Activity: 7

Grant funds are requested to support scholarships for 25 students ages 13-17, to attend UM Science Summer Camp from June 26 - July 24, 2024, at the University of Miami in Coral Gables. Camp activities will include lectures, laboratory hands-on activities, and fun competitions related to nanotechnology, 3-D printing, sustainability as well as integrated technology/art. Participants will engage in science rich activities, and develop critical thinking, teamwork, and career development skills.

Grant # 30 - Voices of Miami, Inc

Recommended Award: \$23,829

1520 NW 2nd Street
Miami, Florida 33125
Allegro Summer Camp 2024
District Location(s) for Project Activity: 5

Grant funds are requested to support scholarships for 15 students ages 4-15, to attend the Allegro Summer Camp 2024 from June 17 - July 26, 2024, at the St. Michael the Archangel School in Miami. Camp activities include music, dance, plastic arts, and acting. Participants will engage all the artistic disciplines taught culminating in a special end of camp presentation.

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