



**ALASKA STATE
COUNCIL ON THE ARTS**

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Alaska State Council on the Arts Awards Grants to Alaska Artists and Arts Organizations

The Alaska State Council on the Arts awarded over \$507,000 in grants to Alaska artists and arts organizations in its first funding quarter of this fiscal year.

ASCA awarded \$386,323 in Operating Support grants, \$37,000 in Community Arts Development grants, \$2,000 in Master Artist and Apprentice Grants, \$3,000 in Workshop grants, \$8,000 for Special Projects and \$70,756 for Artists in Schools Round 1 grants.

The Alaska Arts and Culture Foundation also awarded \$1,000 for Helen Walker Performing Arts Fund grants. The Rasmuson Foundation, through the Arts in Education Fund administered by ASCA, awarded \$20,230 in Cultural Collaboration Project grants, and through the Harper Arts Touring Fund administered by ASCA awarded \$9,100 for Harper Arts Touring Grants.

Marie Alexson and Wendy Gingell were added to the Statewide Teaching Artist roster.

The Alaska State Council on the Arts is funded by the Alaska State Legislature and the National Endowment for the Arts, with support for arts education grants from the Rasmuson Foundation. All grant funding is contingent on the State of Alaska's appropriation.

For a complete list of the projects, or grants by community, contact ASCA at 907.269.6610 or 1.888.278.7424. Grants are also posted at: <http://education.alaska.gov/aksca/>

Award Recipient	Community	Amount
Operating Support - Annual Grants (\$63,435 awarded)		
49 Writers, Inc.	Anchorage	\$3,812
Alaska Arts Education Consortium	Juneau	\$8,640
Alaska Children's Institute for the Performing Arts	Kenai	\$4,000
Alaska Design Forum	Anchorage	\$6,239
Anchorage Classical Ballet Academy	Anchorage	\$3,960
Anchorage Community Theatre	Anchorage	\$6,534
Cyrano's Theatre Company	Anchorage	\$3,500
Denali Arts Council	Talkeetna	\$12,000
Fairbanks Drama Association / Fairbanks Childrens Theatre, Inc.	Fairbanks	\$5,400
Fairbanks Shakespeare Theatre	Fairbanks	\$3,500
Greater Sitka Arts Council	Sitka	\$3,150
Juneau Dance Theatre Inc.	Juneau	\$2,700

Operating Support—First Year Biennial Grants (\$159,987 awarded)

Alutiiq Heritage Foundation	Kodiak	\$16,000
Fairbanks Summer Arts Festival	Fairbanks	\$14,400
Fairbanks Arts Association	Fairbanks	\$18,900
Alaska Arts Southeast, Inc.	Sitka	\$17,500
Alaska Junior Theater	Anchorage	\$8,450
Juneau Symphony	Juneau	\$8,320
Juneau Arts & Humanities Council	Juneau	\$14,553
Fairbanks Concert Association	Fairbanks	\$21,000
Kodiak Arts Council	Kodiak	\$9,010
Homer Council on the Arts	Homer	\$11,050
Sitka Summer Music Festival	Sitka	\$9,441
Anchorage Concert Chorus	Anchorage	\$2,112
Anchorage Opera Company	Anchorage	\$9,251

Operating Support—Second Year Biennial Grants (\$162,901 awarded)

Alaska Dance Theatre, Inc.	Anchorage	\$11,506
Anchorage Concert Association	Anchorage	\$19,250
Anchorage Museum Association	Anchorage	\$21,000
Anchorage Symphony Orchestra	Anchorage	\$9,145
Bunnell Street Art Center	Homer	\$8,525
Fairbanks Symphony Association	Fairbanks	\$16,500
First City Players	Ketchikan	\$7,750
Homer Society of Natural History, Inc.	Homer	\$21,000
Juneau Jazz & Classics	Juneau	\$9,900
Ketchikan Area Arts and Humanities Council	Ketchikan	\$14,300
North Star Dance Foundation	Fairbanks	\$3,025
Perseverance Theatre, Inc.	Douglas	\$21,000

Community Arts Development - 1st Quarter Grants (\$37,000 awarded)

First Alaskans Institute	Anchorage	\$2,500
Girdwood Art Institute	Girdwood	\$3,000
Kodiak Historical Society	Kodiak	\$2,500
Museums Alaska	Juneau	\$4,000
Native Village of Wales	Wales	\$2,500
Native Village Tyonek	Tyonek	\$2,500
Opera Fairbanks	Fairbanks	\$1,500
Palmer Museum of History & Art	Palmer	\$2,000
Peninsula Artists in Motion Dance Company	Kenai	\$1,750
KCHU Terminal Radio Inc. for Richardson Highway Rendezvous	Valdez	\$750
Seldovia Arts Council	Seldovia	\$3,500
The Island Institute, Inc.	Sitka	\$4,500
Valley Performing Arts, Inc.	Wasilla	\$3,000
Wrangell Mountains Center	Anchorage	\$3,000

Master Artist and Apprentice Grants – 1st Quarter Grants (\$2,000 awarded)

Brooke Clarice Johnson (Apprentice) with Holly Churchill	Cordova	\$2,000
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Workshop – 1st Quarter Grants (\$3,000 awarded)

Bunnell Street Art Center	Homer	\$950
Alaska Photographic Center	Anchorage	\$535
Alaska Watercolor Society	Anchorage	\$535
Wrangell Mountains Center	McCarthy	\$980

Arts Education Special Project Grant (\$8,000 awarded)

Juneau Arts & Humanities Council	Juneau	\$8,000
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Artist in Schools Round I Grants (\$70,756 awarded)

Shaw Elementary School	Wasilla	\$3,590
Bunnell Street Art Center	Homer	\$13,174
Fairbanks Arts Association	Fairbanks	\$14,000
McNeil Canyon Elem School	Homer	\$1,826
Bear Valley Elementary	Anchorage	\$1,666
Bering Strait School District	Unalakleet	\$12,000
Juneau Arts & Humanities Council	Juneau	\$15,000
Chatham School District	Angoon	\$4,000
Hoonah City Schools	Hoonah	\$4,000
Government Hill Elementary	Anchorage	\$1,500

Cultural Collaborations Project Grants (\$20,230)

Anchorage Fine Arts Society	Anchorage	\$5,400
Dillingham High School	Dillingham	\$6,000
The Folk School, for Alaska Cello Intensive	Fairbanks	\$4,200
Seldovia Arts Council	Seldovia	\$1,630
Sutton Public Library	Sutton	\$3,000

Harper Arts Touring Grants (\$9,100 awarded)

Bunnell Street Arts Center	Homer	\$1,500
Fairbanks Summer Arts Festival	Fairbanks	\$7,600

AACF Walker Grant (\$1000 awarded)

Fairbanks Summer Arts Festival	Fairbanks, Tonglen Lake, Anderson, Bethel, Hooper Bay	\$1,000
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Statewide Teaching Artist Roster

Marie Alexson	Homer
Wendy Gingell	Anchorage

The Alaska State Council on the Arts is a division of the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development, and is governed by eleven council members appointed by the Governor. It is supported with general funds appropriated by the Alaska State Legislature and the National Endowment for the Arts, with additional support for arts education programs from the Rasmuson Foundation.

The mission of the Alaska State Council on the Arts (ASCA) is to foster the development of the arts for all Alaskans through education, partnerships, grants and services.

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