

# Arts for Youth Grant Recipients

## Arizona Theatre Company

**Theatre On the Go** - Fees College Preparatory Academy and Compadre Academy  
[www.arizonatheatre.org](http://www.arizonatheatre.org)

*Theatre On The Go: Classics to Contemporary – Comedy to Drama* residency supports the student process of writing and presenting their adaptation of dramatic literature through a two-part approach of teaching and learning, using classroom instruction and rehearsal formats. The residencies will be offered during the 2016-2017 school year to 6th-8th graders at **Fees College Preparatory Academy** and 9th-12<sup>th</sup> graders at **Compadre Academy**.

## ASU Art Museum

**Art Workshop for Tweens**  
[www.asu.edu](http://www.asu.edu)

ASU Art Museum will offer four workshops led by professional local artists for 120 tweens (ages 9-14) at their main location on the ASU Tempe campus. Local tweens will benefit from access to specialized knowledge and experiences that will give them exposure to additional techniques not taught in schools. Through workshop themes such as photography, printmaking, craft, and animation the tweens will gain valuable, cross-disciplinary experiences.

## Arizona Wolf Trap/Scottsdale Cultural Council

**Arizona Wolf Trap** - Laird, Hudson, and Rover Elementary Schools  
[www.scottsdalearts.org](http://www.scottsdalearts.org)

Arizona Wolf Trap is an innovative, proven art-in-education program. The project for FY2016-2017 brings professional artists to elementary schools twice a week for seven weeks to conduct thirty-minute sessions with 400 kindergarten children at **Laird, Hudson, and Rover Elementary Schools**. Teachers and artists work together to develop cognitively based teaching strategies using various art disciplines. Two-hour workshops introduce both teachers and parents to the advantages of performing arts activities to assist with teaching.

## Free Arts for Abused Children of Arizona

**Free Arts Hip Hop Camp**  
[www.freeartsaz.org](http://www.freeartsaz.org)

Free Arts annual Hip Hop Camp will be held the week of July 18-22 located at Arizona State University's Fine Arts Center. The camp is designed to allow participating youth to use the healing power of the arts and the support of counselors and volunteers to deal with their current traumatic situations. Approximately 60 youth will rotate in counselor led groups through four artist led workshops focused on art forms surrounding the Hip Hop movement- dance, DJ-ing, visual art, and spoken word poetry.

## Musica Nova, Inc.

**Classical Music Outreach and Collaboration** - Connolly Middle School and Tempe High School  
[www.musicanovaaz.com](http://www.musicanovaaz.com)

MusicaNova musicians will visit 2,000 students and young musicians at **Connolly Middle School** and **Tempe High School** during their Educational Outreach and Collaboration Program. Professional musicians will provide instruction and insight with all students in the schools, and student musicians learn by performing with professional musicians during MusicaNova concerts. This year's project has three primary goals: to conduct outreach to a broad population of students, to promote understanding and enjoyment of classical music, and to give hands-on collaborative performances with student musicians.

## Phoenix Conservatory of Music

**Music – Out of School!** - Escalante Community Center and North Tempe Community Center  
[www.pcmrocks.org](http://www.pcmrocks.org)

The Phoenix Conservatory of Music will partner with **the Escalante Community Center** and the **North Tempe Community Center** to provide the project *Music – Out of School!* The program consists of sequential week to week learning for early childhood programs exploring music with their primary care givers, preschool music programs designed to develop basic music competency, and afterschool music programs at the Tempe Community Center and the North Tempe Community Center.

## The Phoenix Symphony

**Classroom Concert Series** - Carminati, Hudson, Thew, and Wood Elementary Schools  
[www.phoenixsymphony.org](http://www.phoenixsymphony.org)

The Phoenix Symphony will provide student learning and cultural appreciation through orchestral concerts to 1,950 Tempe youth during their *Classroom Concert Series* at **Carminati, Hudson, Thew, and Wood Elementary Schools**. The program brings 35-minute concerts to the schools, accompanied with classroom curriculum. Schools are also able to attend a Symphony for the Schools concert performed live at Symphony Hall by the full orchestra. These interactive concerts lead by professional musicians emphasize the science of producing sound and the musical qualities of string, woodwind, brass and/or percussion instruments, and allow students from Title-I schools to witness the performing arts first-hand.

## Tempe Impact Education Foundation

**Arts Alive!** – Tempe Elementary School District (3<sup>rd</sup> Graders)  
[www.tempeschools.org/tie](http://www.tempeschools.org/tie)

*Arts Alive!* is a project that will allow 1,423 third graders in the **Tempe Elementary School District** (all third graders in the district) to experience live theatre. The project, sponsored by the TIE Foundation, will send students to a Childsplay production in 2016. The funding will provide bussing from the 16 Tempe Elementary Schools to Tempe Center for the Arts. Teachers will be given pre-show activities to prepare students for their theatre experience, and parents will be provided with discussion points to continue the learning experience after the show.

## Tetra String Quartet

**Ensemble-In-Residence Chamber Music Program** - Marcos de Niza and Tempe High School  
[www.tetraquartet.org](http://www.tetraquartet.org); [www.tempeunion.org](http://www.tempeunion.org)

In collaboration with the Tetra String Quartet, a professional chamber music ensemble based in Phoenix, the orchestras of **Marcos de Niza and Tempe High Schools** will develop chamber music performance skills and readily apply them both in the orchestra classroom, and as a part of musical experiences outside of the educational setting. The program will provide quality learning experiences to 180-200 students during 20 resident visits and two on-campus concerts.

## United Sound, Inc.

**United Sound Clubs** - Corona and Tempe High School  
[www.unitedsound.org](http://www.unitedsound.org)

United Sound is a peer mentoring program that pairs high school students with special needs and their peers in the **Corona and Tempe High School's** band and orchestra. Each musician with special needs is paired with three Peer Mentors every week to guide them through an individualized training program. At the end of each semester students in the program perform with the rest of the band during a concert. The program requires over 600 hours of quality volunteer service from music teachers, special education teachers, and high school band and orchestra students.

# Artistic Programming Grant Recipients

## Arizona Wind Symphony

**Boston Brass Concert** - Tempe Center for the Arts, January 2017  
[www.arizonawindsymphony.com](http://www.arizonawindsymphony.com)

The Boston Brass concert is a collaborative endeavor between the music group, Boston Brass, and the Arizona Wind Symphony. The concert will take place on **January 18, 2017 at Tempe Center for the Arts**. In their 16th season, the 95-adult all-volunteer community-based Arizona Wind Symphony strives to explore and share the art of music through performance of a superior-caliber, and diversified wind-ensemble repertoire. Arizona Wind Symphony members come from a broad range of ethnicities, ages (20s to 90s), and backgrounds including teaching, health care, music, tech/computer science, and other disciplines.

## CONDER/dance

**Breaking Ground 2017** - Tempe Center for the Arts, January 2017  
[www.conderdance.com](http://www.conderdance.com)

CONDER/dance, a Tempe-based contemporary dance company, will produce "Breaking Ground 2017: Contemporary Dance and Film Festival" at **Tempe Center for the Arts on January 20-21, 2017**. The competitively curated dance festival provides quality dance programming for Arizona audiences through live dance performances and dance film. The project consists of three components: 1) Outreach workshops for McClintock High School dance students and the Arizona dance community located at Arizona State University 2) One free public performance in associate with the Friends of TCA, and 3) Two unique ticketed performances at Tempe Center for the Arts, featuring 24 choreographers presenting work in traditional and non-traditional performance spaces.

## Cultural Coalition

**El Puente Festival** - Tempe Center for the Arts, October 2017

[www.culturalcoalition.com](http://www.culturalcoalition.com)

El Puente Theatre Festival & Mask Procession was established three years ago by Childsplay, and was funded by a grant from the Doris Duke Foundation. This is the first year that the Cultural Coalition will need funding to continue producing the festival. Its main purpose is to bring new audiences to the **Tempe Center for the Arts** through performances. This free festival features art activities, music, mask making and culturally specific performances by many local artists. On **Sunday, October 2nd, 2016**, the first 500 attendees will enjoy a free performance of Childsplay's *Junie Be Jones is not a Crook*. Afterwards, drummers and puppeteers will lead a masked procession of festival goers on the pedestrian bridge crossing Tempe Town Lake.

## Grand Canyon Men's Chorale

**Grand Canyon Performing Arts: Main Chorus Concert** - Tempe Center for the Arts, June 2017

[www.gcpaphx.org](http://www.gcpaphx.org)

Grand Canyon Performing Arts will hold its annual Spring/Summer concert at **the Tempe Center for the Arts in June 2017**. This 120 person chorus will feature the Phoenix Metropolitan Men's Chorus, the Omaggio Youth Chorus, Canyon Echoes Small Ensemble, and guest musicians and artists. This is a multidisciplinary performing arts show with music, choreography, lighting, audio/video production, and audience involvement. Since 1991, Grand Canyon Performing Arts has been living its mission to unite, inspire, educate, and entertain as a voice for the LGBT community in Arizona through artistic mediums.

## Hayden's Ferry Chamber Music Series

**Dmitri Berlinsky Chamber Music Concert** - Tempe Center for the Arts Gallery, April 2017

[www.haydensferrychambermusicseries.org](http://www.haydensferrychambermusicseries.org)

Dmitri Berlinsky and the International Chamber Soloists will play string sextets, including Tchaikovsky's "Souvenir de Florence," for the fifth and final concert in the Hayden's Ferry Chamber Music Series 2016-17 season. This intimate performance will take place in the **Gallery at Tempe Center for the Arts on April 23, 2017**. Tempe residents will be able to experience performances and have discussions with professional musicians from Russia, America and Europe. This is the only chamber music series of its kind in Tempe that presents professional string musicians to Tempe residents in an intimate setting at an affordable price.

## Tempe Community Chorus

**Fall Concert** - Friendship Village

[www.tempecommunitychorus.org](http://www.tempecommunitychorus.org)

The Tempe Community Chorus will be performing its Fall Concert Series at **Friendship Village**, a retirement community in Tempe. Every year the Tempe Community Chorus completely fills the 130-seat auditorium at Friendship Village. In addition to the auditorium, the performance is accessible to all residents who can view or listen to the performances in their own residences via live television and audio broadcasts. Tempe Community Chorus, which presently has 140 members and is growing, has been in existence since 1991, providing quality choral concerts to audiences in Tempe and surrounding areas.

## Tempe Historical Society

**2<sup>nd</sup> Annual – Hayden’s Ferry Days Celebration** - Tempe History Museum, February 2017

[www.tempehistory.org](http://www.tempehistory.org)

Hayden’s Ferry Days is a signature event to share and celebrate Tempe’s Heritage with 3,000 festival attendees. This three day event will include displays and demonstrations of traditional folk arts and crafts, as well as tours and entertainment venues highlighting the talent of Tempe’s cultural and community organizations. This year’s theme celebrates Tempe’s founding history and will offer a variety of tours, exhibits, and entertainment. The event will showcase **Tempe History Museum, Petersen, Hackett, Eisendrath, and the Elias-Rodriguez** houses and historic buildings in downtown Tempe from **February 24-26, 2017**.

## Tempe Winds

**“When You Wish Upon a Star” Concert** - Tempe Center for the Arts, April 2017

[www.tempewinds.org](http://www.tempewinds.org)

This concert will take place at the **Tempe Center for the Arts** on **April 4, 2017**. The performance will feature music composed for movies from the Disney studios that inspires, thrills, and uplifts. The musical selections will appeal to both young and old audiences alike with selections from *E.T.*, *Monster’s, Inc.*, and *Star Wars*. Tempe Winds has been a champion of film music in the past, and hopes to draw new audiences to the theater to hear some of their favorite Disney songs. The symphony is lead by Dr. Michael Willson, and consists of 50 qualified musicians who hold degrees in music performance and/or education.

# Operating Support Grant Recipients

## Childsplay

[www.childsplayaz.org](http://www.childsplayaz.org)

Childsplay was founded in Tempe in 1977 with a mission “*to create theatre so strictly original in form, content or both that it instills in young people an enduring awe, love and respect for the medium, thus preserving imagination and wonder, those hallmarks of childhood that are key to the future.*” In fulfillment of its mission, Childsplay provides the following artistic resources and programs for Tempe Residents: Childsplay Acting Ensemble, Touring Productions, Public Performances, Education Outreach, Childsplay Academy, New Plays program, as well as Design and Production. The goals of Childsplay’s programs are 1) to provide as many students as possible with the opportunity to experience the highest quality of performing arts, 2) to present a diverse and engaging choice of plays encouraging good citizenship and enhancing the Arizona Education Standards, 3) to ensure that young people of all economic backgrounds can benefit from a live theatrical experience by maintaining affordable prices and 4) to expand programming as appropriate at the Childsplay Campus.

## Lakeshore Music, Inc.

[www.lakeshoremusic.org](http://www.lakeshoremusic.org)

Lakeshore Music, Inc. is a full-service production company and resident concert producer at the Tempe Center for the Arts. LMI exists to produce and promote high quality jazz, blues and chamber music programming, master classes and educational seminars in Tempe and the Phoenix metropolitan area. LMI has built a credible and solid reputation for producing shows and delivering audiences at the Tempe Center for the Arts. The business model for LMI is to bring a mix of local, along with nationally-known artists from larger markets such as Los Angeles, New York and Chicago and, in the process create and develop an audience for live music at the TCA.

## Stray Cat Theatre

[www.straycattheatre.org](http://www.straycattheatre.org)

Stray Cat Theatre will produce a season of four stage productions, each one an Arizona premiere, distinct from the programming of other organizations in Tempe and across the Valley. Decidedly off the beaten path, Stray Cat Theatre's mission is to be indie theatre at its best: quirky, edgy and irreverent. Stray Cat Theatre scratches the Valley's itch for a visceral, provocative theatre experience for culture-savvy cats who crave something beyond the standard "Kitty Chow". Stray Cat Theatre will provide opportunities for at least one Guest Director and dozens of other guest artists and technicians in design, acting, and support roles. Many SCT designers and actors are ASU students and Tempe residents. In their 2016-2017 season, Stray Cat Theatre will move their performances from the Tempe Performing Arts Center to the Tempe Center for the Arts, resulting in higher rental costs, and will reach approximately 6,000 in audience attendance. About half of their audience members are residents of Tempe.

## Vibrant City Grant Recipients

### Jamey Garner

**Beautiful Secrets** – Kiwanis Park, Spring 2017  
<https://vimeo.com/153392872>

Movement artist Jamey Garner will create a movement-art piece at Kiwanis Park during sunset hours. Over the course of 2 hours seven performers will sing, dance, and build an architectural environment from materials that support the watery landscape of Kiwanis Lake such as seashells, sand, rose petals, twigs, flowers and feathers. One performer will play the role of "Tour Guide" to guide the audience in comprehension and participation as they observe the performance. The performance will allow the residents of Tempe to wonder upon and participate in a high-caliber, family friendly, movement-art performance.

### Jessica Rajko

**Vibrant Lives** – Hardy Warehouse District, Fall 2016  
[www.jessicarajko.com](http://www.jessicarajko.com)

Vibrant Lives is an ongoing research project lead by Jessica Rajko (dance) in collaboration with Jacqueline Wernimont (humanities). This work blends multimedia, multisensory approaches to artmaking with dance and humanities research, and on the use of personal data by giving audiences a real-time sense of their own voluminous "data shed." An immersive, participatory performance installation will take place in **the Hardy Industrial District in Fall 2016**. The large event will celebrate the collaborative work developed by over 15 artists, technicians, and scholars. The performers will include a diverse cast of dancers and members of **Needlewielder**, a Tempe nonprofit comprised of women over 50 who crochet.

### Melissa S. Rex

**Storytelling in the Park** – Kiwanis Park

Tempe resident and experienced interdisciplinary artist, Melissa Rex will gather community through storytelling at **Kiwanis Park**. She will construct a mobile, re-useable and intriguing performance stage where local storytellers and community members can share their stories of Arizona culture, history, folklore, and more. Through this project, the artist will engage participants in conversation and storytelling in their community.

## Zarco Guerrero

**Face to Face in a Frenzy** – Escalante Center, Friendship Village, and the Tempe Library  
[www.zarkmask.com](http://www.zarkmask.com)

Zarco Guerrero, a visual and performance artist, will create a series of theatrical performances presented in around the Tempe community in locations such as the **Escalante Community Center, Friendship Village retirement community, the Tempe History Museum, and the Tempe Library**. In the performances, Zarco uses custom-made masks which depict a variety of people from various walks of life and ethnic backgrounds. The characters share their unique stories about how they have overcome addictions, traumas, disabilities and discrimination. While their stories are heart felt and based on real life experiences, they are laced with comedy, poetry and happy endings. After each character tells their stories, they will engage the audience members in conversations related to themes discussed in the performance.

# City of Tempe/ASU Partnership Grant Recipients

## Lauren Hayes

**Sounding Out Spaces** – Clark Park Community Garden and Free Arts for Abused Children of Arizona

“Sounding Out Spaces” will be led by Dr. Lauren Hayes and Julian Stein, from the School of Arts, Media, and Engineering, and partners with the **Clark Park Community Garden and Free Arts for Abused Children of Arizona**. The project engages local communities through site-specific media art, bringing together citizens, artists, local businesses, and ASU. Workshops for the community and youth from Free Arts will take place at the Clark Park Community Garden, and will involve listening to the environment, sound recording, instrument building, and improvisation. The project will culminate in a public site-responsive performance by the children of Free Arts who participate in the program.

## Mary Fitzgerald

**Bridging the Divide: a youth and elders creative collaboration** – Friendship Village

“Bridging the Divide: a youth and elders creative collaboration,” will be led by ASU professor Mary Fitzgerald, local artist Allyson Yoder, and ASU graduate students Jamey Garner and Felix Cruz. The project cultivates mutually beneficent relationships between students from the ASU Dance program and residents of **Friendship Village**, a Tempe-based retirement community. The program creates a mutually beneficent relationship between older and younger adults through 1-on-1 interactions where the elders will impart their life knowledge to the youth, and in exchange the youth will offer the opportunity to move, create and heal.

# Mini Grant Recipients

## MAC & Company



**MAC 2.5** – Tempe Center for the Arts, September 3, 2016 at 7pm  
<http://macdance.org/>

MAC 2.5 is a dance and live music performance of the local dance group MAC & Company. This show will take place at **Tempe Center for the Arts on September 3, 2016 at 7pm**. The performance will include fifteen dance pieces and three live musical works featuring the performance of our resident composer, Dr. Jeffrey Ouper. The performances will range in style and concept from modern to jazz, and heavy metal to classical orchestration, offering the audience.

## Tempe Elementary School District

**Empty Bowls Artist** – Getz School and Bustoz Professional Learning Center  
<http://www.tempeemptybowls.org>

All of the kindergarten students at Tempe Elementary School District #3 will create ceramic bowls. The students will be supported by artist, Sarah deHeij, to take a handful of clay and turn it into a bowl using their knee as a mold. The students will then apply colored glazes in patterns and designs that connect to math, language arts, and/or science. The bowls will be sold for \$1 during the Tempe Empty Bowls Event. The project will directly support families in Tempe by selling the bowls at the Tempe Empty Bowls event for \$1 each. Every dollar earned will provide 5 meals to hungry children and families.