

MASS CULTURAL COUNCIL

Fiscal Year 2018 Grants

<i>Grant Recipient</i>	<i>FY18</i>
The Berkshires	
<i>Town of Adams</i>	
<i>Big Yellow School Bus</i>	
Berkshire Arts & Technology Charter Sch., Contact: April West, 413/743-7311 for an educational field trip.	\$200
<i>Festivals Program</i>	
Adams Arts Advisory Board, Inc., Contact: Phil Sellers for support of Berkshire Mountains Faerie Festival.	\$500
<i>Town of Becket</i>	
<i>Cultural Facilities Fund</i>	
Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival, Inc., Contact: Pamela Tatge, 413/243-9919 for a roof replacement and accessibility updates to several campus facilities, and to complete the upgrade and outfitting of the Doris Duke Theatre.	\$60,000
<i>Cultural Investment Portfolio</i>	
Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival, Inc., Contact: Pamela Tatge, 413/243-9919 to support dance creation, presentation, education, and preservation; and to engage and deepen public appreciation and support for dance.	\$39,100
<i>Local Cultural Council Allocation</i>	
Becket Cultural Council, Contact: Linda Bacon, 413/623-6430	\$4,400
<i>Town of Cheshire</i>	
<i>Artist Fellowship</i>	
Paul Chojnowski, , 423/884-4388 for artistic professional development.	\$12,000
<i>Big Yellow School Bus</i>	
Hoosac Valley High School, Contact: Jeremiah Ames, 413/743-5200 for an educational field trip.	\$200
<i>Town of Dalton</i>	
<i>Big Yellow School Bus</i>	
Craneville Elementary School, Contact: Anne Pecor, 413/684-0209 for an educational field trip.	\$200
Wahconah Regional High School, Contact: Aaron Robb, 413/684-1330 for an educational field trip.	\$200

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<i>Local Cultural Council Allocation</i>	
Dalton Cultural Council, , 413-684-1218	\$4,600
<i>Town of Egremont</i>	
<i>Local Cultural Council Allocation</i>	
Alford-Egremont Cultural Council, Contact: Robin Goldberg, 413/528-0182	\$8,800
<i>Town of Florida</i>	
<i>Big Yellow School Bus</i>	
Gabriel Abbott Memorial School, Contact: Heidi Dugal, 413/664-6023 for an educational field trip.	\$200
<i>Town of Great Barrington</i>	
<i>Artist Fellowship</i>	
Reed Anderson, , 347/420-3107 for artistic professional development.	\$12,000
<i>Big Yellow School Bus</i>	
Monument Valley Regional Middle School, Contact: Benjamin Doren, 413/644-2300 for an educational field trip.	\$200
<i>Cultural Facilities Fund</i>	
Community Access to the Arts, Inc., Contact: Margaret Keller, 413/528-5485 for a feasibility assessment to define options for expansion and business planning.	\$26,000
<i>Cultural Investment Portfolio</i>	
Aston Magna Foundation for Music & Hum., Contact: Susan B. Obel, 413/528-3595 to enrich the appreciation of music of the past and the understanding of the cultural, political, and social contexts in which it was composed and experienced; to reach a larger public through the use of historical instruments and practices in performances, recordings, workshops, and through innovative interdisciplinary educational programs.	\$3,800
Berkshire Playwrights Lab, Inc., Contact: Tristan Wilson, 413/528-2544 to provide an accessible Summer Reading Series of new plays that offer emerging and established playwrights a supportive environment to develop new work and explore new avenues of creativity.	\$2,500
Berkshire Pulse, Inc., Contact: Bettina Montano, 413/274-6624 to bring dance and world music instruction directly into public schools in Berkshire County.	\$2,500
Close Encounters with Music, Inc., Contact: Marcie Setlow, 800/843-0778 to engage the imagination of diverse concert audiences through thematic chamber music with commentary, connecting listeners to performers and composers, fostering the excitement of live performance arts.	\$3,800

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Community Access to the Arts, Inc., Contact: Margaret Keller, 413/528-5485 to lessen the stigma of difference and disability through shared experiences in the visual and performing arts by providing multidisciplinary arts programs for individuals with physical, emotional, and/or mental disabilities in an integrative environment with the community at large.	\$7,200
Flying Cloud Institute, Inc., Contact: Maria Rundle, 413/645-3058 to promote creative thinking and learning in children from grade school through high school by providing unique experiences in the arts and sciences that augment today's teaching methodologies and inspire kids to express themselves.	\$4,700
The Mahaiwe Performing Arts Center, Inc., Contact: Beryl Jolly, 413/644-9040 to support year-round programming at this multi-disciplinary presenting venue in southern Berkshire County.	\$18,200
The Orion Society, Contact: H. Emerson Blake, 413/528-4422 to invite readers into a community of caring for the planet through writing and art that explore the connection between nature and culture.	\$12,300
Festivals Program	
Berkshire Playwrights Lab, Inc., Contact: Tristan Wilson, 413/528-2544 for support of the Radius Playwrights Festival.	\$500
Local Cultural Council Allocation	
Great Barrington Cultural Council, Contact: Susan Pettee, 413 5281619 ex.2	\$4,400
STARS Residency	
Monument Valley Regional Middle School, Contact: Benjamin Doren, 413/644-2300 for a school residency with Maria Rundle, Flying Cloud Institute.	\$5,000
Muddy Brook Regional Elementary School, Contact: Timothy Lee, 413/644-2350 for a school residency with Maria Rundle, Flying Cloud Institute.	\$3,900
Town of Hancock	
Big Yellow School Bus	
Hancock Elementary School, Contact: John Merselis, 413/738-5676 for an educational field trip.	\$200
Town of Hinsdale	
Local Cultural Council Allocation	
Hinsdale-Peru Cultural Council, Contact: Diane Eulian, 413-655-0042	\$8,800
Town of Lanesborough	
Big Yellow School Bus	
Lanesborough Elementary School, Contact: Dr. Martin J. McEvoy, 413/443-0027 for an educational field trip.	\$200

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<i>STARS Residency</i>	
Lanesborough Elementary School, Contact: Dr. Martin J. McEvoy, 413/443-0027 for a school residency with Dale Abrams, Mass Audubon.	\$1,900
<i>Town of Lee</i>	
<i>Big Yellow School Bus</i>	
Lee Middle/High School, Contact: Gregg Brighenti, 413/243-2781 for an educational field trip.	\$200
<i>Cultural Investment Portfolio</i>	
WAM Theatre, Inc., Contact: Kristen M. van Ginhoven, 518/243-9627 for general operating support.	\$3,000
<i>Local Cultural Council Allocation</i>	
Lee Cultural Council, Contact: Liv Cummins, 413/243-8023	\$4,500
<i>STARS Residency</i>	
Lee Elementary School, Contact: Kathryn Retzel, 413/243-0336 for a school residency with Lisa Lesser, Flying Cloud Institute.	\$3,800
<i>Town of Lenox</i>	
<i>Cultural Facilities Fund</i>	
Berkshire Scenic Railway Museum, Inc., Contact: Jay R. Green, J.D., 413/637-2210 for a 20-year capital needs assessment of the building and its mechanical systems.	\$7,000
Shakespeare & Company, Inc., Contact: Adam Davis, 413/637-1199 for improvements to wayfinding signage, parking lot repairs, and energy efficiency.	\$100,000
<i>Cultural Investment Portfolio</i>	
The Cantilena Chamber Choir, Contact: Dr. Andrea Goodman, 413/637-2551 for a Martin Luther King Psalms and Spirituals sing at Trinity Church in Lenox.	\$2,500
Shakespeare & Company, Inc., Contact: Adam Davis, 413/637-1199 to create a theater of excellence offering performances of classical and new works and generating opportunities for collaboration between actors and directors from all different backgrounds; to provide unique in-depth classical training and performance methods to theatre professionals; to transform the way in which Shakespeare is taught both in and after school through high-impact residencies, workshops and performances that are dynamic, intellectually challenging and emotionally engaging.	\$33,200
Edith Wharton Restoration, Inc., Contact: Susan Wissler, 413/551-5100 for general operating support.	\$3,000
<i>Local Cultural Council Allocation</i>	
Lenox Cultural Council, Contact: Derrick Holt, 413-281-3249	\$4,400

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STARS Residency	
Morris Elementary School, Contact: Peter J. Bachli, 413/637-5570 for a school residency with Dale Abrams, Mass Audubon.	\$4,900
YouthReach	
Shakespeare & Company, Inc., Contact: Adam Davis, 413/637-1199 for adjudicated youth in the Berkshire County Juvenile Courts system to rehearse and perform a Shakespeare play instead of incarceration or community service, helping the young people develop more consistent positive behaviors.	\$15,000
Town of Monterey	
Local Cultural Council Allocation	
Monterey Cultural Council, , 413-429-1331	\$4,400
Town of Mount Washington	
Local Cultural Council Allocation	
Mount Washington Cultural Council, Contact: Kyle Costello, 413/528-2839	\$4,400
Town of New Marlborough	
Local Cultural Council Allocation	
New Marlborough Cultural Council, Contact: Nancy Barbe, 413/229-2526	\$4,400
City of North Adams	
Big Yellow School Bus	
Drury High School, Contact: Timothy Callahan, 413/662-3240 for an educational field trip.	\$200
Cultural Investment Portfolio	
Massachusetts Museum of Contemporary Art, Contact: Joseph C. Thompson, 413/664- 4481 to be a multi-disciplinary platform for creating, presenting, and distributing the best art of our time, and a catalyst for economic development that benefits the region with jobs, a diversified commercial base and spin-off opportunities.	\$55,600
Festivals Program	
New England Puppet Arts, Contact: David Lane, 413/652-7249 for support of Berkshire Lantern Walk.	\$500
Local Cultural Council Allocation	
Cultural Council of Northern Berkshire, Contact: Pat Mancuso, 413/662-5264	\$59,100

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<i>Massachusetts Cultural Districts Initiative</i>	
City of North Adams, Contact: Thomas Bernard, 413/662-3000 for support of the North Adams Cultural District.	\$5,000
<i>STARS Residency</i>	
Drury High School, Contact: Timothy Callahan, 413/662-3240 for a school residency with Ted Thomas of MASS MoCA.	\$800
<i>YouthReach</i>	
Northern Berkshire Community Coalition, Contact: Amber Besaw, 413/663-7588 to assist young writers to develop their creative work with the guidance of expert staff through participation in weekly writing sessions, and to provide the opportunity to publish their work and share it in public readings.	\$15,000
<i>Town of Otis</i>	
<i>Big Yellow School Bus</i>	
Farmington River Elementary School, Contact: Thomas Richard Nadolny, 413/269-4466 for an educational field trip.	\$200
<i>Local Cultural Council Allocation</i>	
Otis Cultural Council, Contact: Arlene Tolopko, 413/269-4251	\$4,400
<i>STARS Residency</i>	
Farmington River Elementary School, Contact: Thomas Richard Nadolny, 413/269-4466 for a school residency with Dale Abrams, Mass Audubon.	\$1,900
<i>City of Pittsfield</i>	
<i>Big Yellow School Bus</i>	
Silvio O. Conte Community School, Contact: Kerry Light, 413/448-9660 for an educational field trip.	\$200
Egremont Elementary School, Contact: Jared Materas, 413/448-9655 for an educational field trip.	\$200
Stearns Elementary School, Contact: Sara Luciani, 413/499-9554 for an educational field trip.	\$200
Williams Elementary School-Pittsfield, Contact: Nicole Shepardson, 413/448-9680 for an educational field trip.	\$200
<i>Cultural Compact</i>	
City of Pittsfield, Contact: Linda M. Tyer, 413/499-9466 to support updating artists and workspace inventory for the City of Pittsfield.	\$10,000

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<i>Cultural Investment Portfolio</i>	
Barrington Stage Company, Inc., Contact: Maggie LaMee, 413/499-5446 to produce top-notch, compelling work; to develop new plays and musicals; and find fresh, bold ways of bringing new audiences into the theater.	\$29,600
The Berkshire Historical Society, Inc., Contact: William Garrison, 413/442-1793 to collect, preserve, and disseminate the history of Berkshire County, Massachusetts, and to use its collections for research, exhibition, education, and loan, including its principal artifact, Arrowhead, home of Herman Melville.	\$3,800
The Berkshire Museum, Contact: Van W. Shields, 413/443-7171 to enrich, inspire, and educate through interactions with the arts, history, and the natural world.	\$22,100
The Berkshire Music School, Inc., Contact: Tracy Wilson, 413/442-1411 to foster the love and pursuit of music for all ages through quality music education activities, community collaborations, and performance opportunities.	\$6,100
Center for EcoTechnology, Inc., Contact: John Majercak, 413/445-4556 to research, develop, demonstrate, and promote those technologies with the least disruptive impact on the natural ecology of the Earth; to provide programs that advance public understanding of the impacts of human actions on the natural environment, and introduce practical solutions, both technological and behavioral, to minimize those impacts.	\$43,500
Hancock Shaker Village, Inc., Contact: Jennifer Trainer Thompson, 413/443-0188 to bring the Shaker story to life and preserve it for future generations.	\$16,800
<i>Festivals Program</i>	
Berkshires Jazz, Inc., Contact: Edward J. Bride, 413/442-7718 for support of the Pittsfield CityJazz Festival.	\$500
Word X Word, Inc., Contact: William Yehle for support of WordXWord Festival.	\$500
<i>Local Cultural Council Allocation</i>	
Pittsfield Cultural Council, Contact: Glenn Shalan, 413-446-7187	\$24,800
<i>META</i>	
Berkshire Children and Families, Inc., Contact: Colleen Holmes, 413/448-8281 for Courtney Clark to travel to Scotland and observe the El Sistema-inspired program, "The Big Noise".	\$2,519
Berkshire Children and Families, Inc., Contact: Colleen Holmes, 413/448-8281 For Alicia Stevenson to travel to Scotland and observe the El Sistema inspired program the Big Noise.	\$1,500
Berkshire Children and Families, Inc., Contact: Colleen Holmes, 413/448-8281 for Alicia Stevenson to participate in the 2017 Take a Stand Symposium in Los Angeles.	\$1,500
Berkshire Children and Families, Inc., Contact: Colleen Holmes, 413/448-8281 for META Fellows to create a mentoring program for students of all ages.	\$2,556

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Allendale Elementary School, Contact: Brenda Kelley, 413/448-9650 for a school residency with Dale Abrams, Mass Audubon.	\$3,700
Silvio O. Conte Community School, Contact: Kerry Light, 413/448-9660 for a school residency with Johanna Batman, Berkshire Museum.	\$4,500
Crosby Elementary School, Contact: Aaron Dean, 413/448-9670 for a school residency with Johanna Batman, Berkshire Museum.	\$4,500
Theodore Herberg Middle School, Contact: Martin Mcevoy, 413/448-9640 for a school residency with Johanna Batman, Berkshire Museum.	\$2,300
Morningside Community School, Contact: Jennifer Stokes, 413/448-9690 for a school residency with Johanna Batman, Berkshire Museum.	\$4,500
John T. Reid Middle School, Contact: Linda Whitacre, 413/448-9620 for a school residency with Johanna Batman, Berkshire Museum.	\$4,100
Stearns Elementary School, Contact: Sara Luciani, 413/499-9554 for a school residency with Dale Abrams, Mass Audubon.	\$4,300
UP	
Hancock Shaker Village, Inc., Contact: Jennifer Trainer Thompson, 413/443-0188 to review HSV's current policies and practices regarding pets, service animals, and therapy animals and to offer suggestions and best practices in revising our policy and procedures; revision of the institution's practices, and a staff training program.	\$1,000
YouthReach	
Barrington Stage Company, Inc., Contact: Maggie LaMee, 413/499-5446 for an intensive out-of-school activity to use theatre as a catalyst to help at-risk youth, ages 13 to 19, learn valuable life skills that can aid them in developing positive self-images.	\$15,000
Berkshire Children and Families, Inc., Contact: Colleen Holmes, 413/448-8281 for Courtney Clark to participate in the META Fellowship Program FY18 Cycle.	\$800
Berkshire Children and Families, Inc., Contact: Colleen Holmes, 413/448-8281 for Alicia Stevenson to participate in the META Fellowship Program FY18 Cycle.	\$800
Berkshire Children and Families, Inc., Contact: Colleen Holmes, 413/448-8281 for students to perform original compositions along with accompanying visual and written components guided by the theme of "The Berkshires." Students will explore a location, event, or feeling associated with living in the Berkshires.	\$1,000
Berkshire Children and Families, Inc., Contact: Colleen Holmes, 413/448-8281 to use intensive, ensemble music making as a vehicle for Creative Youth Development in the Commonwealth.	\$15,315

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<i>Town of Richmond</i>	
<i>Local Cultural Council Allocation</i>	
Richmond Cultural Council, Contact: Sandra Flannery, 413/698-3315	\$4,400
<i>STARS Residency</i>	
Richmond Consolidated School, Contact: Monica Zanin, 413/698-2207 for a school residency with Lindsey Berkowitz, Flying Cloud Institute.	\$3,700
<i>Town of Sandisfield</i>	
<i>Festivals Program</i>	
Sandisfield Arts Center, Contact: Susan Crofut, 413/258-4100 for support of the Yuletide Festival.	\$500
<i>Local Cultural Council Allocation</i>	
Sandisfield Cultural Council, , 413/258-4460	\$4,400
<i>Town of Savoy</i>	
<i>Big Yellow School Bus</i>	
Emma L. Miller Elementary School, Contact: Cathy-Ann Chapman, 413/743-1992 for an educational field trip.	\$200
<i>Town of Sheffield</i>	
<i>Artist Fellowship</i>	
Brece Honeycutt, , 413/229-2874 for artistic professional development.	\$1,000
<i>Big Yellow School Bus</i>	
Mount Everett Regional High School, Contact: Glenn DeVoti, 413/229-8734 for an educational field trip.	\$200
Undermountain Elementary School, Contact: Charles Miller, 413/229-8754 for an educational field trip.	\$200
<i>Cultural Investment Portfolio</i>	
Berkshire Choral International, Contact: Debi Kennedy, 413/229-8526 to enhance the skills of choral singers while extending the knowledge and appreciation of choral singing and its tradition to singers and audiences.	\$16,400
<i>Local Cultural Council Allocation</i>	
Sheffield Cultural Council, , 413-229-7000	\$4,400

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<i>STARS Residency</i>	
Mount Everett Regional High School, Contact: Glenn DeVoti, 413/229-8734 for a school residency with Jane Burke, Flying Cloud Institute.	\$1,900
New Marlborough Central School, Contact: Charles Miller, 413/229-8754 for a school residency with Lisa Lesser, Flying Cloud Institute.	\$4,200
Undermountain Elementary School, Contact: Charles Miller, 413/229-8754 for a school residency with Lisa Lesser, Flying Cloud Institute.	\$5,000
<i>Town of Stockbridge</i>	
<i>Cultural Facilities Fund</i>	
The Berkshire Botanical Garden, Contact: Michael Beck, 413/298-3926 for a 20-year capital needs assessment of the building and its mechanical systems.	\$7,000
The Berkshire Botanical Garden, Contact: Michael Beck, 413/298-3926 to complete the expansion and renovation of the historic Center House building into an energy-efficient, multi-use community center.	\$75,000
<i>Cultural Investment Portfolio</i>	
Berkshire Theatre Group, Contact: Kate Maguire, 413/448-8084 to support performances in theatre, dance, and music.	\$28,100
Chesterwood Museum and Estate, Contact: Donna Hassler, 413/298-3579 to preserve the site and its collections; present the life and artistic achievements of D.C. French; and foster public appreciation and interest in sculpture and the philosophies and benefits of historic preservation.	\$7,300
The Norman Rockwell Museum, Contact: Laurie Norton Moffatt, 413/229-4100 to o present, preserve and study the art of illustration and serve as a resource for reflection, involvement, and discovery inspired by Norman Rockwell and the power of visual images to shape and reflect society.	\$34,600
<i>Local Cultural Council Allocation</i>	
Stockbridge Cultural Council, Contact: Karen Marshall, 413-298-7050	\$4,400
<i>Town of Tyringham</i>	
<i>Local Cultural Council Allocation</i>	
Tyringham Cultural Council, Contact: Gail Charpentier, 413/243-1749	\$4,400
<i>Town of Washington</i>	
<i>Local Cultural Council Allocation</i>	
Washington Cultural Council, , 413-464-6656	\$4,400

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<i>Town of West Stockbridge</i>	
<i>Cultural Investment Portfolio</i>	
IS183 Art School, Contact: Lucie Castaldo, 413/298-5252 to enrich the communities of Berkshire County by encouraging creativity and self expression year-round through exploration in the visual arts, for all ages, means, and abilities.	\$7,500
<i>Local Cultural Council Allocation</i>	
West Stockbridge Cultural Council, Contact: Marjorie Powell, 413/232-0222	\$4,400
<i>Town of Williamstown</i>	
<i>Big Yellow School Bus</i>	
Mount Greylock Regional High School, Contact: Mary MacDonald, 413/458-9582 for an educational field trip.	\$200
<i>Cultural Facilities Fund</i>	
Sterling & Francine Clark Art Institute, Contact: Olivier Meslay, 413/458-0590 to replace environmental controls systems for the Manton Research Center's 5 air handling units and to install central heating and dehumidification systems in the Museum Building attic.	\$165,000
<i>Cultural Investment Portfolio</i>	
Sterling & Francine Clark Art Institute, Contact: Olivier Meslay, 413/458-0590 to advance scholarship and extend the public understanding of art.	\$56,500
Images Cinema, Contact: Doug Jones, 413/458-1039 to present a wide range of independent, foreign, and classic films that impact filmmaking and our culture; to explore film as an art form, a source of entertainment, and an educational tool.	\$4,600
Williams College Museum of Art, Contact: Lisa Dorin, 413/597-2429 to make dynamic art experiences that incite new thinking about art, museums, and the world.	\$11,300
Williamstown Theatre Festival, Contact: Mandy Greenfield, 413/458-3200 to produce classic and new works with distinction, offer emerging theater artists exceptional opportunities, and create and sustain programs that have the potential to serve a diverse community.	\$30,000
<i>STARS Residency</i>	
Buxton School, Contact: Peter Smith, 413/458-3919 for a school residency with Deborah Roberts of MASS MoCA.	\$1,000
Pine Cobble School, Inc., Contact: Susannah Wells, 413/458-4680 for a school residency with David Lane, New England Puppet Arts.	\$5,000

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<i>UP</i>	
Williamstown Theatre Festival, Contact: Mandy Greenfield, 413/458-3200 to conduct an accessibility audit on the WTF website to discern what changes must take place to bring our website up to date with current WCAG standards.	\$1,000
<i>Town of Windsor</i>	
<i>Festivals Program</i>	
Tamarack Hollow Nature and Cultural Ctr., Contact: Aimee Gelinis, M.Ed, 413/522-1505 for support of Tamarack Hollow Nature & Cultural Center's May Fest.	\$500
Tamarack Hollow Nature and Cultural Ctr., Contact: Aimee Gelinis, M.Ed, 413/522-1505 for support of the 8th Annual Berkshire Drum & Dance Fest.	\$500
<i>Local Cultural Council Allocation</i>	
Windsor Cultural Council, Contact: Abby Smith, 413/684-3811	\$4,400
Total for The Berkshires	\$1,317,890