

# MASS CULTURAL COUNCIL

## Fiscal Year 2021 Grants

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<i>Grant Recipient</i>	<i>Grant</i>
<b>Greater Merrimack Valley</b>	
<b><i>Town of Acton</i></b>	
<b><i>COVID-19 Relief Fund for Individuals</i></b>	
Andrew Arceci for support of losses due to COVID-19.	\$1,500
Ori Ben-Shir for support of losses due to COVID-19.	\$1,500
Alexei A. Doohovskoy for support of losses due to COVID-19.	\$1,500
Jesse Levine for support of losses due to COVID-19.	\$1,500
Madeline Stewart for support of losses due to COVID-19.	\$1,500
Asako Takeuchi Arceci for support of losses due to COVID-19.	\$1,500
<b><i>Cultural Investment Portfolio</i></b>	
Arts Are Essential, Inc. to collaborate with educators and artists to bring arts experiences that enrich, educate, and enlighten students of all ages and abilities while inspiring creativity and imagination.	\$4,500
Discovery Museum, Inc. to spark delight in learning by igniting curiosity and creativity in children and adults, as they discover together the joys of science, nature, and play.	\$20,800
First Connections to support a project to incorporate culturally rich and racially diverse books in all of our children's programming.	\$2,500
<b><i>Cultural Organization Economic Recovery</i></b>	
Acton Community Center, Inc. for utilities or general operations, as documented by the Contractor in the grant application, to support recovery from the negative impact of the coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic.	\$7,000
Innovators for Purpose, Inc. for employee payroll and benefit costs, as documented by the Contractor in the grant application, to support recovery from the negative impact of the coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic.	\$23,000
<b><i>Music Educator and Teaching Artists (META)</i></b>	
Sarah Eastman to attend the Fall Voice Conference, designed to support the management of vocal disorders in music learning.	\$1,515

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<b><i>Universal Participation</i></b>	
Discovery Museum, Inc. to address the acute need for children and adults of all abilities to play outside and actively enjoy nature.	\$3,000
The Open Door Theater of Acton, Inc. to activate American Sign Language for performance integration of hearing and Deaf players.	\$3,000
<b><i>Town of Bedford</i></b>	
<b><i>Artist Fellowship</i></b>	
Astrid Reischwitz for artistic professional development.	\$1,500
<b><i>Local Cultural Council Allocation</i></b>	
Bedford Cultural Council	\$5,900
<b><i>Massachusetts Cultural Districts Initiative</i></b>	
Bedford Cultural District to help Bedford Cultural District recover and rebuild from the impact of COVID-19; to create a website highlighting the district resources; to create a public art project related to pandemic recovery; and for a public celebration of the new District.	\$7,500
<b><i>Town of Billerica</i></b>	
<b><i>Local Cultural Council Allocation</i></b>	
Billerica Cultural Council	\$19,300
<b><i>Town of Boxborough</i></b>	
<b><i>Cultural Investment Portfolio</i></b>	
The Spectrum Singers, Inc. to perform music from the pre-Renaissance to the present, emphasizing seldom-heard works by master composers in creative programs that illuminate contrasts and resonances among the works.	\$4,500
<b><i>Local Cultural Council Allocation</i></b>	
Acton-Boxborough Cultural Council	\$13,100
<b><i>Town of Burlington</i></b>	
<b><i>Festivals - Fall/Winter</i></b>	
Boston New Music Initiative to support Living Music Summit with the production, promotion and/or development of festival audiences.	\$500

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<b><i>Local Cultural Council Allocation</i></b>	
Burlington Cultural Council	\$7,600
<b><i>Town of Carlisle</i></b>	
<b><i>Artist Fellowship</i></b>	
Laurence Cuelenaere for artistic professional development.	\$1,500
<b><i>Local Cultural Council Allocation</i></b>	
Carlisle Cultural Council	\$4,900
<b><i>Town of Chelmsford</i></b>	
<b><i>Artist Fellowship</i></b>	
Shevaun A. Mizrahi for artistic professional development.	\$15,000
<b><i>Local Cultural Council Allocation</i></b>	
Chelmsford Cultural Council	\$14,900
<b><i>Town of Concord</i></b>	
<b><i>Artist Fellowship</i></b>	
Bremner Benedict for artistic professional development.	\$1,500
<b><i>COVID-19 Relief Fund for Individuals</i></b>	
Alan S. Goodrich for support of losses due to COVID-19.	\$1,500
<b><i>Cultural Facilities Fund</i></b>	
51 Walden, Inc. to install a mechanical fresh air ventilation system and air conditioning.	\$130,000
<b><i>Cultural Investment Portfolio</i></b>	
Concord Chamber Music Society, Inc. to enhance cultural life in Concord, MA and surrounding communities through the presentation of high caliber, affordable concerts and the administration of educational outreach programs that bring the experience of live chamber music to individuals that might not ordinarily have the opportunity to attend a CCMS concert.	\$4,500
The Concord Chorus, Inc. to support a video project to show the 75-year-old Concord Chorus's deep roots in Concord and metro-Boston.	\$2,500

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Concord Museum to educate visitors of all ages about the history of Concord and its continuing influence on American political, literary and cultural life; and to use the collection to serve as a catalyst for changing exhibitions, extended classroom learning, dynamic programs, and publications relevant to an ever-changing world.	\$23,300
Massachusetts Center for the Book, Inc. to develop, support, and promote cultural programming to (1) advance lifelong literacy, (2) increase audiences for Massachusetts writing and publishing, (3) stimulate interest in the book arts and (4) highlight literary tourism sites.	\$5,800
The Nature Connection, Inc. to support the human spirit by offering and building connections between people and the natural world.	\$5,900
Radius Ensemble, Inc. to liberate classical music for a new generation of music lovers with a fresh combination of eclectic programming and intimate performances by extraordinary musicians.	\$4,500
The Umbrella Arts Center to inspire creativity, learning, and personal growth through arts education programs, performing and visual arts presentations, and community collaborations.	\$21,800
<b><i>Cultural Organization Economic Recovery</i></b>	
51 Walden, Inc. for current mortgage payments, mortgage interest or rent or utilities or general operations, as documented by the Contractor in the grant application, to support recovery from the negative impact of the coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic.	\$18,000
Concord Chamber Music Society, Inc. for employee payroll and benefit costs or utilities or general operations, as documented by the Contractor in the grant application, to support recovery from the negative impact of the coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic.	\$15,000
The Concord Players, Inc. for current mortgage payments, mortgage interest or rent or utilities or general operations, as documented by the Contractor in the grant application, to support recovery from the negative impact of the coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic.	\$30,000
The Nature Connection, Inc. for employee payroll and benefit costs or current mortgage payments, mortgage interest or rent or general operations, as documented by the Contractor in the grant application, to support recovery from the negative impact of the coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic.	\$56,000
Radius Ensemble, Inc. for employee payroll and benefit costs, as documented by the Contractor in the grant application, to support recovery from the negative impact of the coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic.	\$9,000
<b><i>Festivals - Fall/Winter</i></b>	
The Umbrella Arts Center to support The Umbrella Artfest with the production, promotion and/or development of festival audiences.	\$500

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<b><i>Local Cultural Council Allocation</i></b>	
Concord Cultural Council	\$6,000
<b><i>Massachusetts Cultural Districts Initiative</i></b>	
Concord Center Cultural District to prepare video and brochure/map that will highlight the special offerings found at each of the arts/cultural resources available in Concord Center.	\$7,500
West Concord Junction Cultural District to create a branding campaign to better define and market the cultural district.	\$7,500
<b><i>Universal Participation</i></b>	
The Nature Connection, Inc. to develop accessible marketing and program materials that will allow more people to engage with our work.	\$3,000
The Umbrella Arts Center for participating in Innovation and Learning Network workshops.	\$3,000
<b><i>Town of Dracut</i></b>	
<b><i>Cultural Investment Portfolio</i></b>	
Dracut Arts to support four 1-day Arts Events, consisting of an Art Gallery, Author's Readings and Q&A, and Concert.	\$2,500
<b><i>Local Cultural Council Allocation</i></b>	
Dracut Cultural Council	\$18,100
<b><i>Town of Dunstable</i></b>	
<b><i>Local Cultural Council Allocation</i></b>	
Dunstable Cultural Council	\$4,900
<b><i>Town of Lexington</i></b>	
<b><i>Artist Fellowship</i></b>	
Christine Southworth for artistic professional development.	\$1,500
<b><i>COVID-19 Relief Fund for Individuals</i></b>	
Noah E. Harrington for support of losses due to COVID-19.	\$1,500
Christine Southworth for support of losses due to COVID-19.	\$1,500

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<b><i>Cultural Facilities Fund</i></b>	
Lexington Arts and Crafts Society for three renovation projects: a lift to transport members and visitors between floors; a remodeled restroom, which is ADA compliant; and, HVAC modifications for Covid-safety.	\$60,000
Lexington Arts and Crafts Society for a systems replacement plan.	\$7,000
<b><i>Cultural Investment Portfolio</i></b>	
Lexington Symphony, Inc. to support musical study and community outreach program, Orchestrating Kids through Classics.	\$9,600
Shadaj, Inc. To support a Community Outreach event 2021 featuring Festival of Indian Classical Music, a series of LIVE online streaming concerts and lecture demonstrations, involving world class classical musicians and musicologists.	\$2,500
Special Needs Arts Programs, Inc. to provide people with disabilities opportunities that celebrate each person's unique abilities through the arts.	\$3,500
<b><i>Local Cultural Council Allocation</i></b>	
Lexington Council for the Arts	\$7,100
<b><i>Town of Lincoln</i></b>	
<b><i>COVID-19 Relief Fund for Individuals</i></b>	
Angela Shyr for support of losses due to COVID-19.	\$1,500
<b><i>Cultural Facilities Fund</i></b>	
DeCordova Sculpture Park and Museum to enhance universal access in a region of the Sculpture Park and Museum and to transform an underutilized area of the Park into a visitor-friendly space supporting public engagement, programming, and events.	\$200,000
Massachusetts Audubon Society, Inc. for the completion of the net-zero addition to Pleasant Valley's historic barn in order to create accessible visitor amenities.	\$100,000
<b><i>Cultural Investment Portfolio</i></b>	
DeCordova Sculpture Park and Museum to inspire, educate, and delight with contemporary art from New England and beyond through sculptures in the landscape and museum exhibitions.	\$40,800
Massachusetts Audubon Society, Inc. to capture the attention of the inquisitive mind, instill a respect for all life, and foster an intelligent understanding of the human position in the natural world.	\$60,000

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<b>Local Cultural Council Allocation</b>	
Lincoln Cultural Council	\$4,900
<b>STARS Residency</b>	
Birches School, Inc. for a fully remote school residency with SaulPaul in arts and social/emotional learning based on his album "Be The Change."	\$4,850
<b>Universal Participation</b>	
Massachusetts Audubon Society, Inc. to support decolonizing our work, collaboratively, with the help and guidance of tribal consultants.	\$3,000
<b>YouthReach</b>	
Massachusetts Audubon Society, Inc. to provide out-of-school opportunities for youth in Lowell to work alongside mentors to conduct scientific investigations, participate in habitat stewardship projects, and develop leadership skills.	\$20,000
<b>Town of Littleton</b>	
<b>COVID-19 Relief Fund for Individuals</b>	
Todd H. Rider for support of losses due to COVID-19.	\$1,500
<b>Cultural Investment Portfolio</b>	
The Cannon Theatre to support an online production of "The Last 5 Years" by Jason Robert Brown	\$1,000
Indian Hill Music, Inc. for a community music school, offering instruction in 30+ instruments and voice to all ages/abilities and scholarships; professional symphonic concerts and other high-caliber music series; extensive array of outreach programs.	\$33,700
<b>Local Cultural Council Allocation</b>	
Littleton Cultural Council	\$5,800
<b>City of Lowell</b>	
<b>COVID-19 Relief Fund for Individuals</b>	
Glenn K. Billingsley for support of losses due to COVID-19.	\$1,500
Tim Gearan for support of losses due to COVID-19.	\$1,500
Jared F. Holaday for support of losses due to COVID-19.	\$1,500

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Jennifer Kearney for support of losses due to COVID-19.	\$1,500
George Middleton for support of losses due to COVID-19.	\$1,500
Barbara Poole for support of losses due to COVID-19.	\$1,500
Dori A. Robinson for support of losses due to COVID-19.	\$1,500
Ralph Sutter for support of losses due to COVID-19.	\$1,500
<b><i>Cultural Facilities Fund</i></b>	
Lowell Makes, Inc. for repairs to the roof of the building.	\$10,000
Whistler House Museum of Art for the renovation and expansion of the 200 year old Whistler House, home to the oldest arts organization in the US, to construct a new multi-functional gallery, classrooms, and art center.	\$200,000
<b><i>Cultural Investment Portfolio</i></b>	
Angkor Dance Troupe, Inc. to preserve and develop Cambodian traditional performing arts by providing in-depth arts training for young people, particularly at-risk Cambodian American youth; and to provide a safe and caring place for out-of-school time.	\$4,600
Lowell Parks & Conservation Trust, Inc. to improve the quality of life for the people of Lowell through the creation, conservation, and preservation of parks, open spaces, and special places.	\$7,200
Lowell Storytelling to support "Stories of Being an Outsider," a live storytelling event took place on Zoom.	\$2,500
Merrimack Repertory Theatre to create theatrical productions at the highest level of artistic excellence and make them affordable to the broadest possible community.	\$26,500
New England Quilt Museum to inspire and educate the public about the art, craft and history of quilting in New England through our permanent collections, exhibitions, educational programs and outreach activities.	\$7,600
Tsongas Industrial History Center to encourage the study of the causes and consequences of the American Industrial Revolution and to work with the University, National Park and area schools to strengthen public education in the region.	\$14,300

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UMass Lowell University Gallery to focus on the needs of twenty-first century artists and designers, through exhibitions, lectures, and programs about diverse regional and international artists.	\$3,500
<b>Cultural Organization Economic Recovery</b>	
Merrimack Repertory Theatre for employee payroll and benefit costs, as documented by the Contractor in the grant application, to support recovery from the negative impact of the coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic.	\$100,000
<b>Festivals - Fall/Winter</b>	
Mill City Grows, Inc. to support Food Justice Virtual Event Series with the production, promotion and/or development of festival audiences.	\$500
Points of Light Lantern Celebration to support Points of Light with the production, promotion and/or development of festival audiences.	\$500
<b>Folk Arts and Heritage</b>	
Yary Livan for an apprenticeship with Chrisna Khuon.	\$10,000
<b>Gaming Mitigation</b>	
Lowell Festival Foundation to mitigate operation of gaming facilities that threaten the sustainability of non-profit and municipal performing arts centers in Massachusetts by providing capital to preserve their ability to compete in an unbalanced marketplace.	\$61,824
Lowell Memorial Auditorium to mitigate operation of gaming facilities that threaten the sustainability of non-profit and municipal performing arts centers in Massachusetts by providing capital to preserve their ability to compete in an unbalanced marketplace.	\$180,628
<b>Local Cultural Council Allocation</b>	
Lowell Cultural Council	\$102,400
<b>Massachusetts Cultural Districts Initiative</b>	
Canalway Cultural District to create state-compliant and safe opportunities for businesses to participate in and opportunities at the Kerouac Park concert for businesses to participate.	\$7,500
<b>Music Educator and Teaching Artists (META)</b>	
Elissa Johnson-Green to create a comprehensive curriculum based in anti-racist teaching practices for dissemination to music educators in Massachusetts for the Ecosonic Playground Project and for participation in META fellowship activities.	\$4,000

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<b><i>STARS Residency</i></b> Joseph G. Pyne School for a school residency in visual arts Yary Livan.	\$5,000
<b><i>YouthReach</i></b> Angkor Dance Troupe, Inc. to support vulnerable youth in their developmental process of self-identity through connecting them to their culture of origin, and to instill in them a strong goal-setting/work ethic through the demanding medium of Cambodian classical and folk dance.	\$20,000
Boys & Girls Club of Greater Lowell to support free youth-driven music instruction in a safe and vibrant space to at-risk and low-income young people.	\$20,000
<b><i>Town of Maynard</i></b>	
<b><i>Artist Fellowship</i></b> Kara Patrowicz for artistic professional development.	\$1,500
<b><i>COVID-19 Relief Fund for Individuals</i></b> Kimberley Connors for support of losses due to COVID-19.	\$1,500
<b><i>Cultural Investment Portfolio</i></b> Acme Theater Productions, Inc. to offer high quality theater in a fun and nurturing atmosphere, welcoming all ages, talents, and abilities to enjoy being part of a focused community to try new aspects of theater involvement, from acting and directing to design and production support.	\$4,500
<b><i>Cultural Organization Economic Recovery</i></b> Acme Theater Productions, Inc. for current mortgage payments, mortgage interest or rent or utilities or general operations, as documented by the Contractor in the grant application, to support recovery from the negative impact of the coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic.	\$11,000
<b><i>Local Cultural Council Allocation</i></b> Maynard Cultural Council	\$6,600
<b><i>Massachusetts Cultural Districts Initiative</i></b> Maynard Cultural District to create a celebratory mural on a prominent town wall that is central feature of our Naylor Court downtown revitalization.	\$7,500

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<b><i>Town of Stow</i></b>	
<b><i>COVID-19 Relief Fund for Individuals</i></b>	
Robert Kropf for support of losses due to COVID-19.	\$1,500
<b><i>Local Cultural Council Allocation</i></b>	
Stow Cultural Council	\$5,300
<b><i>Town of Tewksbury</i></b>	
<b><i>COVID-19 Relief Fund for Individuals</i></b>	
Dylan Jack for support of losses due to COVID-19.	\$1,500
<b><i>Cultural Facilities Fund</i></b>	
Public Health Museum in Massachusetts to conduct a facility assessment of the Annie G. McDonald Building to serve as the future home. The assessment will include the building's architectural features, structural, MEP/FP, Code/Access, and conservation.	\$10,000
<b><i>Local Cultural Council Allocation</i></b>	
Tewksbury Cultural Council	\$13,800
<b><i>Town of Tyngsborough</i></b>	
<b><i>Local Cultural Council Allocation</i></b>	
Tyngsborough Cultural Council	\$6,900
<b><i>Town of Westford</i></b>	
<b><i>COVID-19 Relief Fund for Individuals</i></b>	
Victoria Wesnofske for support of losses due to COVID-19.	\$1,500
<b><i>Local Cultural Council Allocation</i></b>	
Westford Cultural Council	\$7,900
<b><i>Town of Wilmington</i></b>	
<b><i>COVID-19 Relief Fund for Individuals</i></b>	
Mei Lu Barnum for support of losses due to COVID-19.	\$1,500

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<b><i>Local Cultural Council Allocation</i></b>	
Wilmington Cultural Council	\$8,000
<b><i>City of Woburn</i></b>	
<b><i>COVID-19 Relief Fund for Individuals</i></b>	
James Esposito for support of losses due to COVID-19.	\$1,500
Nathan McNiff for support of losses due to COVID-19.	\$1,500
<b><i>Local Cultural Council Allocation</i></b>	
Woburn Cultural Council	\$14,800
<b>Total for Greater Merrimack Valley</b>	<b>\$2,032,917</b>