

Culver City Performing Arts Grant Program Applications

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Actors' Gang, The	Theatre	\$10,000	71	\$8,000	\$8,000		"Shakespeare-in-the-Park" – Outdoor performances of modern adaptations of Shakespeare, designed to engage audiences of all ages.
Angel City Chorale	Music	\$10,000	78	\$8,000	\$8,000		"Free concert" – Uplifting music concert uniting diverse communities across age, race, gender, and identity through shared musical experiences.
ArtsUP! LA	Theatre	\$10,000	76	\$8,000	\$8,000		"Theatre by the Blind presents Off Key" – Original theatrical works by the only all-blind adult theatre troupe in the United States.
Benita Bike's DanceArt	Dance	\$1,500	67	-	-		"Explore Dance" – Interactive dance performance inviting audience participation, discussion, and engagement.
Black Skeptics Los Angeles	Theatre	\$10,000	71	\$8,000	\$8,000		"#Standing4BlackGirls Community Music and Poetry" – Concert featuring original music, spoken word, and panels by Black female and queer artists.
Brazil Arts Connection	Music	\$5,000	66	-	-		"It's Brazilian - Silvia Nicolatto and Friends" – Concert and cultural history event hosted by Sérgio Mielniczenko, spotlighting Brazilian music and traditions.
Brockus Project Dance Company	Dance	\$10,000	54	-	-		"Some Like if Hot" – Family-friendly immersive cabaret blending musical theatre, jazz, and contemporary dance in a playful, interactive performance.
Center Theatre Group	Theatre	\$10,000	73	\$8,000	\$8,000		"Community Tour Project" – Touring plays for all ages highlighting Dolores Huerta and key figures in California history.
CONTRA-TIEMPO Activist Dance Theater	Dance	\$10,000	87	\$8,000	\$8,000		"Embodied Book Club" – Five-month series led by Teaching Artists using movement and storytelling to explore books through embodied community dialogue.
Culver City Public Theatre	Theatre	\$10,000	66	-	-		"Coppélia" and "June Moon" – New ballet adaptation and free park performances offering family-friendly classical and comedic storytelling.
Culver City Symphony Orchestra	Music	\$10,000	75	\$8,000	\$8,000		"A Tribute to our Roots in Black America" – Classical concert honoring Black American composers like William Grant Still and Florence Price.
Donna Sternberg & Dancers	Dance	\$10,000	60	-	-		"Steps" – Site-specific dance performance using architectural elements as stage, accompanied by live music to enhance spatial storytelling.
Ebell of Los Angeles	Theatre	\$5,968	77	\$4,774	\$4,774		"We Can Do It!" – Educational musical celebrating women of color in Los Angeles history through song and storytelling.
Emersion Music	Music	\$10,000	78	\$8,000	\$8,000		"Currents of Memory" – Original music and movement performance exploring how collective memory shapes identity, community, and belonging.
Fivemind Reeds	Music	\$10,000	67	-	-		"Mystics, Monsters, and Mythologies." – Classical concert exploring folklore and mysticism through diverse musical perspectives and new commissioned works.

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Ghost Road Company, The	Theatre	\$10,000	73	\$8,000	\$8,000		"Identity Project" – Devised work exploring shared human identity through diverse cultural, gender, and interpersonal perspectives.
Grand Performances	Music	\$10,000	77	\$8,000	\$8,000		"Brazilian Block Party!" – Community celebration featuring samba-reggae percussion by Batalá Los Angeles and DJ Potira.
Heidi Duckler Dance	Dance	\$10,000	70	\$8,000	\$8,000		"¡Ordena! Culver City!" – Interactive food truck performance celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month through dance, music, and culinary storytelling.
Helix Collective	Music	\$10,000	70	\$8,000	\$8,000		"The Music of PBS" – Concert exploring the musical world of public broadcasting, hosted by KUSC's Brian Lauritzen.
Infinite Flow Dance	Dance	\$10,000	89	\$8,000	\$8,000		"#ThisIsDance" – Disability-inclusive performance with over 50% disabled artists, amplifying diverse voices through dance, choreography, and production.
Invertigo Dance Theatre	Dance	\$10,000	73	\$8,000	\$8,000		"Siren Songs at the Harpy Cafe" – Multidisciplinary performance exploring women's rage, feminist place-making, and community with music, movement, and storytelling.
Jacob Jonas The Company	Dance	\$10,000	64	-	-		"BAT" – Immersive dance and music experience inviting diverse communities into shared movement, dialogue, and unexpected performance spaces.
Jazz Bakery, The	Music	\$10,000	78	\$8,000	\$8,000		"David Sánchez" – GRAMMY®-winning Puerto Rican saxophonist performs globally acclaimed jazz compositions with cultural depth and virtuosity.
Jazz Hands for Autism	Music	\$10,000	74	\$8,000	\$8,000		"Jazz Hands Concert Series #26" – Semi-annual concert providing performance opportunities for neurodivergent musicians of all ages and skill levels.
Kontrapunktus	Music	\$9,680	70	\$7,744	\$7,744		"Dresden: A Baroque Revival" and "The Venetians" – Two classical concerts featuring baroque repertoire from Dresden and Venice's rich musical traditions.
Los Angeles Choreographers & Dancers	Dance	\$10,000	61	-	-		"HEART" and "Resurgence (premiere)" – Dance and multimedia works featuring a new collaborative creation exploring emotion, resilience, and artistic renewal.
Los Angeles Women's Theatre Festival	Theatre	\$10,000	71	\$8,000	\$8,000		"Encore!" – Curated solo performances showcasing diverse voices across artistic disciplines in an engaging program.
Luminario Ballet	Dance	\$10,000	65	-	-		"Siempre Amor-Always Love" – Original choreography exploring themes of love and tango, rooted in Argentine cultural traditions and movement.
Orchestra Santa Monica	Music	\$1,000	68	-	-		"OSM/Jazz Hands Partnership Concert" – Collaborative concert featuring Orchestra Santa Monica and Jazz Hands for Autism musicians.
PALEF (Performing Arts for Life and Education Foundation)	Theatre	\$10,000	62	-	-		"Godspell 2026, The Call To Healing" – New interpretation of Stephen Schwartz's musical, focusing on healing and community transformation.

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Raga Sangeet Creative	Music	\$10,000	78	\$8,000	\$8,000		"Noor: Illuminating Oneness Through Music" – Indian classical music concert celebrating Diwali and spiritual unity through traditional sounds.
Rogue Artists Ensemble	Theatre	\$10,000	67	-	-		"Rogue Lab New Play Incubator: Art As Resistance" – Readings of new plays in development, followed by audience talkbacks and creative dialogue.
Samba N Motion	Dance	\$10,000	61	-	-		"Reborn in Samba: The Story of Aninha Malandro" – Afro-Brazilian dance-theatre production featuring Ana Laidley and Brazil's iconic samba traditions.
Symphonic Jazz Orchestra	Music	\$5,000	80	\$4,000	\$4,000		"Family Jazz Hour" – Free community concert with a jazz sextet and interactive programming for all ages.
Synchromy	Music	\$10,000	86	\$8,000	\$8,000		"Unison: An LA Fires Recovery Concert" – String quartet concert featuring new commissions by composers affected by recent California wildfires.
TeAda Productions	Theatre	\$10,000	80	\$8,000	\$8,000		"Pacifika Exchange (working title)" – Cultural exchange featuring Pacific Islander and Micronesian artists sharing theatrical and traditional practices.
Unprecedented Music Association	Music	\$10,000	68	-	-		"From Studio to Stage: Honoring Culver City's Film Music Legacy" – Concert featuring local film composers and orchestrators, blending iconic scores with new works.
VOX Femina Los Angeles	Music	\$10,000	73	\$8,000	\$8,000		"I, Too, Sing America" – Community concert celebrating America's 250th anniversary with new musical commissions and diverse voices.
Westside Youth Orchestra	Music	\$10,000	73	\$8,000	\$8,000		"Classical symphony concerts" – Youth orchestra and soloists perform Vivaldi, Copland, film scores, and more in family-friendly concerts.
Yozmit The DogStar	Theatre	\$10,000	77	\$8,000	\$8,000		"PRNCX — A Vision of Sovereignty" – Ceremonial performance blending K-pop, Korean shamanism, ritual dance, and gender-fluid futurism.
GRAND TOTALS		\$ 368,148		\$ 200,518	\$ 200,518	\$ -	