

EXCERPT

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**CITY OF CORAL GABLES
CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, December 14, 2018 8:00 a.m.
FY2018-2019 CULTURAL GRANT REVIEW & SCORING MEETING
Tuesday, December 14, 2018 9:00 a.m.**

**Coral Gables Youth Center, Theater
405 University Dr., Coral Gables, Florida 33134**

MEMBERS	J	F	M	A	M	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	APPOINTED BY:
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Leslie Pantin	-	P	E	P	P	P	P	-	-	-	P	P	P	Mayor Raul Valdes-Fauli
Dr. Fernando Alvarez- Perez	-	E	P	P	P	P	E	-	-	-	P	P	P	Vice-Mayor Vince Lago
Betty Horwitz	-	P	P	P	P	P	E	-	-	-	P	P	P	Commissioner Pat Keon
Alfonso Perez	-	P	P	P	P	P	E	-	-	-	E	^	^	Commissioner Michael Mena
Geannina A. Burgos Vice-Chair	-	P	E	P	P	P	P	-	-	-	P	P	P	Commissioner Frank C. Quesada
Dr. Bernice Roth Chair	-	P	P	P	P	P	P	-	-	-	E	P	P	City Manager Peter Iglesias
Dr. Rosa Maria Mayorga	-	P	P	P	P	P	P	-	-	-	P	P	P	Board Appointee

LEGEND: A = Absent; P = Present; E = Excused; * = New Member; ^= Resigned Member;
- = No Meeting + = Special Meeting

STAFF:

Dona Spain, Historical Resources & Cultural Arts Director
Catherine Cathers, Arts and Culture Specialist, Historical Resources and Cultural Arts Dept.
Jessie Diaz, Administrative Assistant, Historical Resources and Cultural Arts Dept.
Christopher Cowen, IT Analyst

GUESTS:

Laura Bruney, Arts & Business Council; Malcolm Lauredo, Coral Gables Museum; John Allen, Coral Gables Museum; Federico Musgrove, Florida Guitar Foundation; Maria Cueto, Cuatrogatos Foundation; Laura Keith, Kaleidoscope MusArt; H. Render, Florida Grand Opera; E. Bender, Florida Grand Opera; Ali Habashi, UM; Marcy Raistl, Alper JCC; Tracy Magellan, Montgomery Botanical Center; Barbara Stein, Actors' Playhouse; August Neal, Alhambra Orchestra; Paola Garcia, The Miami Symphony Orchestra; Brenda Moe, Coral Gables Art Cinema; Annie Mendez, Miami Children's Chorus; Maude Valero, PAXy; Mark Hart, CGCC Community Arts Program; Judith Vigil, CAJE, Miami Jewish Film Festival; Sally Baumgartner, Merrick Festival; Cedric Dawkins, Peter London Global Dance Co.; Carlene Sawyer, Dranoff 2 Piano Competition; Betsey Greene Freeman, Miami Film Festival; Christine Pascual Fernandez, Greater Miami Symphonic Band & South Florida Chamber Ensemble; Jessica Farr, City Theatre; Joe Kim, Seraphic Fire; Jadwiga Gewert, Chopin Foundation; Paola Garcia, The Miami Symphony Orchestra; Miguel Nieves, Compositum Musicae Novae

RECORDING AND PREPARATION OF MINUTES: Catherine Cathers, Arts and Culture Specialist,
Historical Resources and Cultural Arts

Dr. Roth called the Cultural Development Board meeting to order at 8:02 a.m.

FY2018-2019 CULTURAL GRANT REVIEW & SCORING:

Members of the community arrived. Dr. Roth called the FY2018-2019 Cultural Grant Review & Scoring meeting to order at 9:15 a.m.

Dr. Roth welcomed guests. Ms. Cathers introduced and thanked members of the Cultural Development Board and reported that this year the City Commission has confirmed \$185,658 toward Cultural Grant funding. Attendees were reminded to refrain from comments unless answering direct questions from the Board-as-a-whole or a Board member.

Dr. Roth stated that for each application, opening comments will be made by one Board member prior to discussion by the Board-as-a-whole with an opportunity for Board members to ask questions and revise scores. Applicants were informed that after final scores are confirmed and entered, the highest and lowest score on each application will be dropped prior to averaging the final overall score.

Board members then commented on each of the thirty-five (35) applications meeting the eligibility criteria, including a brief overview of the program/project requesting funds.

Dr. Mayorga recused herself for conflicts as noted and left the meeting during discussion of the following applications: Alhambra Music, Inc. (professional), Friends of the Miami-Dade Public Library (familial), Miami Children's Chorus (professional), Miami Dade College Foundation (professional), Miami Momentum Dance Co. (professional), Peter London Global Dance Co. (professional), and The Miami Symphony Orchestra (professional).

The Board discussed the University of Miami's applications, noting that two were submitted to the Coral Gables Based category (for operating cost). After a brief discussion, the Board decided to re-assign one of the applications and the following motion was made:

Dr. Alvarez-Perez made a motion to move the University of Miami, School of Communication application to the Cultural Program category. Ms. Burgos seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The Coral Gables Museum receives funding through a separate budget line item and was therefore removed from calculations used to determine funding for the remaining thirty-four (34) applicants.

Board members initialed their score sheets prior to submitting final scores. Scores were entered into a spreadsheet and confirmed by IT Analyst, Christopher Cowen.

There was a short break while scores and initial funding recommendations were calculated. A multiplier and percentage formula was used to adjust funding recommendations proportionately. Scores and recommended grant amounts were projected on a large screen. The Board was advised that they could make a motion to accept the scores and calculations as presented or vote to make adjustments.

Ms. Burgos made a motion to accept the Board’s FY2018-2019 Cultural Grant application scores as presented. Dr. Alvarez-Perez seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

After thoughtful deliberation and discussion, an adjustment was made to further reward higher scoring applicants with the small amount of remaining dollars to go to the highest scoring applicant, Seraphic Fire.

The Board commented on the increased quality of the grant applications this year and thanked the organizations for their hard work and presentation of the arts in Coral Gables.

With no further discussion, the following motions were made:

Ms. Burgos made a motion to accept the recommended allocations as presented for distribution of FY2018-2019 Cultural Grant funds. Dr. Mayorga seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Attendees were advised scores and calculations will be checked prior to submitting the recommendation to the City Commission.

The meeting results were as follows:

<i>FY 2018/19 Cultural Grants Allocation Recommendations</i>				CG Based	\$56,400
				Cultural Programs	\$129,258
				Funds Available	\$185,658
				ALLOCATED	\$185,658
				Balance	\$0
	Organization	New App.	Score	Requested Amount	Board Recommended Amount
CORAL GABLES BASED					
CGB 1	Actors' Playhouse Productions, Inc.		94.50	\$15,000.00	\$9,900.00
CGB 3	Coral Gables Cinemateque, Inc.		94.25	\$15,000.00	\$9,900.00
CGB 6	GableStage, Inc.		92.75	\$15,000.00	\$9,800.00
CGB 8	UM, Lowe Art Museum		92.00	\$6,500.00	\$4,200.00
CGB 5	Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden		86.75	\$10,000.00	\$5,800.00
CGB 2	Area Performance Gallery, Inc.		85.75	\$15,000.00	\$8,600.00
CGB 7	Montgomery Botanical Center, Inc.		82.25	\$15,000.00	\$8,200.00
				\$91,500	\$56,400

