Local Arts Organizations Share $250,000 In Grant Funding From PNC Arts Alive

Nine arts institutions and their audiences to benefit from PNC Arts Alive initiative, now in its tenth year

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 9, 2020 – As arts and cultural institutions adapt to the challenges of presenting music, theater and visual art in today's environment, the PNC Foundation through PNC Arts Alive is contributing $250,000 to help nine St. Louis arts organizations bring their creative concepts to life. The 2020 grant recipients represent a wide range of artistic disciplines, offer unique approaches to audience engagement, and foster dialogue on a variety of topics.

The 2020 PNC Arts Alive grant recipients are, in alphabetical order: Art Saint Louis, Contemporary Art Museum St. Louis, Laumeier Sculpture Park, National Blues Museum, Opera Theatre of Saint Louis, Radio Arts Foundation (Classic 107.3), The Repertory Theatre of St. Louis, St. Louis ArtWorks, and St. Louis Shakespeare Festival. A video showcasing the 2020 grant recipients can be viewed here.

"At PNC, we believe the arts help bring our communities together by providing beauty, entertainment, and vehicles for expression," said Michael Scully, PNC regional president for St. Louis. "With the PNC Arts Alive initiative, we empower arts organizations to deliver programming that is innovative, engaging, and accessible."

Since 2010, the year PNC established a presence in Greater St. Louis, PNC Arts Alive has provided 111 grants totaling $3 million to local, non-profit arts groups in Greater St. Louis. The initiative has earned local and national commendation from the Missouri Arts Council, the Arts and Education Council in St. Louis, and Americans for the Arts in New York City.

PNC Arts Alive is a multi-year grant initiative of the PNC Foundation that challenges visual and performing arts organizations to put forth their best, most original thinking in expanding audience participation and engagement. Information regarding the application process for 2021 PNC Arts Alive grants will be announced in November 2020. For more information, visit www.pncartsalive.com.

The PNC Foundation, which receives its principal funding from The PNC Financial Services Group (www.pnc.com), actively supports organizations that provide services for the benefit of communities in which it has a significant presence. The foundation focuses its philanthropic mission on early childhood education and community and economic development, which includes the arts and culture. Through Grow Up Great, its signature cause that began in 2004, PNC has created a bilingual $500 million, multi-year initiative to help prepare children from birth to age 5 for success in school and life.

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