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A MOTION approving projects for the King County Cultural Facilities Program, in accordance with Ordinance 10189.

WHEREAS, the King County arts commission and the King County landmarks and heritage commission are authorized by Ordinance 10189 to administer cultural facilities projects, and

WHEREAS, the King County office of cultural resources received 68 applications requesting \$5,531,457 from the 1997 Cultural Facilities Program, and

WHEREAS, two review panels of arts and heritage professionals, community representatives, and commission representatives reviewed the applications and made recommendations to the King County arts commission and the King County landmarks and heritage commission, as listed in Attachments A (arts) and B (heritage), and

WHEREAS, the King County arts commission and the King County landmarks and heritage commission approved the review panels' recommendations, and

WHEREAS, the recommendations for arts and heritage Cultural Facilities Program funding adhere to the guidelines and financial plan policies approved by the King County council in Motion 8797, and

WHEREAS, the financial plan included as Attachment C, has been revised to indicate actual hotel/motel tax revenue for 1996, and

WHEREAS, the financial plan supports Cultural Facilities program funding;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County: 1 2 The executive is hereby authorized to allocate a total of \$1,793,450, which includes 3 \$1,313,050 for twenty-nine arts projects as listed in Attachment A for Cultural Facilities program arts projects and \$480,400 for nineteen heritage projects as listed in Attachment B for 4 5 Cultural Facilities program heritage projects. PASSED by a vote of 13 to 0 this 19 day of Ma 6 7 KING COUNTY COUNCIL 8 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON Dune Miller 9 10 11 ATTEST: 12 13 14 15 Attachments: A. Cultural Facilities Program: Arts Projects 16 17 B. Cultural Facilities Program: Heritage Projects 18 C. Hotel/Motel Financial Plan, 1997

# 10214 ATTACHMENT A

#### KING COUNTY ARTS COMMISSION

CULTURAL FACILITIES PROGRAM
Funding Recommendations

February, 1997

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#### **OVERVIEW**

The Cultural Facilities Program panel met on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, January 22, 23 and 24, to review 47 capital funding applications submitted to the Cultural Facilities Program by the December 16, 1996 deadline. The application review process included interviews with each applicant to enable panelists to fully understand the parameters and importance of each project and to clarify any issues that arose during its initial review. Interviews were conducted on January 22-23 at the KCAC offices in Smith Tower. The Cultural Facilities Program panelists were:

- 1. Jeff Robbins, Theatre Lighting Consultant
- 2. Scott Garrepy, Manager, Corporate Relations, Seattle Opera Association
- 3. David Bryant, architect, Kaplan, McLaughlin and Lacey
- 4. Mary Pat Byrne, Bellevue Arts Commission
- 5. Gaynor Hills, KCTS-9
- 6. Maryviolet Burns, Northwest Folklife
- 7. Lanie McMullin, Manager, Auburn Performing Arts Center

King County Arts Commissioner Trish Steinhardt chaired the three days of panel meetings. The 47 applications requested funding totaling almost \$4.5 million. Twenty-nine (29) applicants, representing a range of large and small, Seattle and suburban organizations, are being recommended for funding totaling \$1,313,050.

#### RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING:

1. INTIMAN THEATRE:

Recommended Award \$145,000

PO Box 19760 Seattle, WA 98109 Incorporated: 1972

1997 Operating Budget: \$3,211,223

Organization: Produces a six play mainstage season of contemporary and classic works; four to six new play readings through "New Voices at Intiman"; and *Living History*, an award winning arts education program reaching 20,000 students annually.

Project: renovation of Playhouse lobby and auditorium, rehearsal hall, and shop spaces.

Panel: Intiman is one of the region's theatre institutions. It has considered a major capital campaign to build a new theatre, but decided to focus on the stage work and try to improve the Playhouse instead. This project is scaled to accomplish major improvements to the Playhouse and support spaces without having to embark on an extensive capital fundraising campaign. The project seems well planned to accomplish its goals without a major disruption to the Intiman's operations.

Total Project Cost:

\$1,251,432

Request:

\$300,000

Recommended Award:

\$145,000



Recommended Award: \$5,000

Recommended Award: \$80,000

2. <u>CINEMA SEATTLE</u>

801 East Pine Street Seattle, WA 98122 Incorporated: 1990

1997 Operating Budget: \$883,750

Organization: presents the annual Seattle International Film Festival. Other programs include a Fall film series; Women in Cinema Festival; Screenwriters Salon, twice per month; Film discussion groups; preview screenings and Filmmakers Forum.

Project: Workstation and computer upgrades that will enable Cinema Seattle to produce promotional materials and programs more quickly and inexpensively.

Panel: This group made a good case for its need for computers. It is in a highly competitive field internationally and has learned that it must produce materials on very short notice. Earns about 80% of its income at the box office. Has grown in stature in the film industry and is only regional venue for the international films it presents.

Project Budget: \$12,132

Request: \$10,000

Recommended Award: \$5,000

#### 3. SEATTLE REPERTORY THEATRE

155 Mercer Street Seattle, WA 98109 Incorporated: 1963

1997 Operating Budget: \$6,163,617

Organization: Develops and stages works of emerging and established artists; sustains a resident acting company; offers education and community outreach services to all ages. Produces six mainstage and three Stage 2 productions each season. Each production has one pay-what-you-can-performance.

Project: Refurbishment of PONCHO Forum, which will revert to its originally intended use as a rehearsal hall; refurbishing of office spaces; and seating for lobby.

Panel: The Rep is another of the regions' major institutions. Little to dispute about quality, feasibility and audience served, the three criteria on which applications are rated. So much energy was focused on the Second Stage capital project that additional needs for lobby seating and office reconfiguration were deferred. Now that the Second Stage is complete, the Rep would like to address these minor, though important needs. Panel supports lobby seating and work on the administrative spaces.

Project Budget: Request: \$143,072 \$143,072

Recommended Award:

\$80,000

Recommended Award: \$27,000

4. THE EMPTY SPACE

3509 Fremont Ave. N Seattle, WA 98103 Incorporated: 1970

1997 Operating Budget: \$778,668

Organization: Third oldest theater company in King County. A leading NW laboratory for new playwrights and audiences "with venturesome spirits." Produces 5-6 Mainstage productions each season; an Education Outreach program with BF Day School incorporates theatre arts into curriculum; a Late Nite series provides young artists an opportunity to develop their talents; monthly free readings by Seattle Playwrights Alliance.

Project: theatre technical upgrades (lighting console and sound system enhancements) and purchase of telephone system..

Panel: Seems to have settled nicely into its Fremont home. Has successfully completed an electrical upgrade and installation of an HVAC system; is working on a project to make the theatre accessible. This project focuses on the technical upgrades that will enhance productions. Panel is supporting the lighting component and purchase of the telephone system.

Project Budget:

\$40,195

Request:

\$40,195

Recommended Award:

\$27,000

5. <u>SEATTLE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA</u>

Recommended Award: \$240,000

305 Harrison Street Seattle, WA 98109 Incorporated: 1927

1997 Operating Budget: \$10,900,000

Organization: over the last two seasons has presented over 200 concerts of diverse programming in the Seattle Center Opera House and communities throughout the region; over 800 educational activities to approximately 100,000 children and adults; 26 radio broadcasts of *Masterpiece* concerts to over 650,000 listeners, and released 12 compact discs.

Project: construction of Benaroya Hall, Seattle's major new downtown concert facility.

Panel: Panel was extremely supportive of this request, the first application that had been submitted to the Arts Commission for the new concert hall. Recommends \$240,000 which while small in the context of the whole project is still the largest award ever recommended by the Arts Commission from the H/M fund.

Project Budget:

\$109,000,000

Request:

\$300,000

Recommended Award:

\$240,000



Recommended Award: \$25,000

6. SPECTRUM DANCE THEATRE

800 Lake Washington Blvd. Seattle, WA 98122

Incorporated: 1984

1997 Operating Budget: \$356,200

Organization: Offers educational programs to people of all ages in its Madrona dance studio, which attracts a culturally diverse group of participants; presents two concerts at Meany Hall; free tickets to low-income families. Over the last two years emphasized dance in the "American aesthetic" - contemporary American jazz. Supports the work of many choreographers and dance artists through free rehearsal space.

Project: Renovate the city-owned Madrona dance studios, including the expansion of the restrooms, dressing rooms, and offices.

Panel: Spectrum has an exemplary track record of servicing a diverse population with its classes in Madrona; has established itself as fine performing group with its annual concerts at Meany Hall. The project will enable Spectrum to expand into unused space and increase the size of its dressing rooms, bathrooms, and offices. Facility is owned by City of Seattle.

Project Budget:

\$279,674

Request:

\$35,000

Recommended Award:

\$25,000

7. BELLEVUE COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION Recommend Award\$8,000

3000 Landerholm Circle SE

Bellevue, WA 98007 Incorporated: 1978

1997 Operating Budget: \$228,005

Organization: BCC-Continuing Education Arts Programs are open to all students, professionals, and community residents seeking studio space and equipment required for "fire arts." BCC's fire arts program is similar to Pratt's in that it provides instruction, space, and equipment. It is a self-supporting program without access to state or college funds.

Project: Purchase art studio equipment for jewelry program, and foundry.

Panel: Panel recognized that there are no hands-on arts programs on the eastside providing opportunities in jewelry making and sculpture. BCC-CE's arts programs have grown over the last three years. The arts program is in discussion with Bellevue Art Museum about participating programmatically in its new facility. Panel supported jewelry equipment request.

Total Project Cost:

\$39,091

Request:

\$24.091

Recommended Grant:

\$8,000

Recommended Award: \$5,500

Recommended Award: \$10,000

#### 8. RENTON PARKS AND RECREATION

Carco Theatre 200 Mill Avenue South Renton, WA 98055 Incorporated: 1901

1997 Operating Budget: (Carco Theatre) \$78,500

Organization: Renton Parks Department provides cultural programming in Carco Theatre and at locales throughout the city. Programs include Renton Parks Concert Band, Youth Symphony Orchestra, a Summer Teen Musical, gallery space for local artists, a July 4th celebration and Family Concert Series at Gene Coulon Beach Park sponsored by Ivar's.

Project: Purchase sound equipment for outdoor concert series and lighting console for Carco Theatre.

Panel: Carco Theatre is one of South King County's most active performance spaces. The panel supported the request for a new lighting console, but was not persuaded that the sound equipment for the outdoor concerts would last for ten years, would be used often enough to justify the expense and could not be funded from another source, perhaps Ivar's which funds the concerts.

Project Budget:

\$63,140

Request:

\$15,140

Recommended Award:

\$5,500

#### 9. AHA! THEATRE

PO Box 19880

Seattle, WA 98109-6880

Incorporated: 1990

1997 Operating Budget: \$126,520

Organization: Voted Best Fringe Theatre by the 1995 and 1996 Seattle Weekly Readers Polls, AHA! produces 5-7 fully mounted plays per year and 4-6 late night productions; manages two performance spaces in Belltown; has commissioned four new works for its 1997 season. AHA! has dedicated itself to be a company based theatre with a paid professional staff.

Project: Technical Enhancement project, which will be accomplished by purchasing a lighting control console.

Panel: Recognized AHA!'s role as a venue for emerging and early career artists. AHA! has defined its niche as a small theatre dedicated to producing new work by local playwrights, paying staff and actors. The panel was greatly impressed with the strides AHA! has taken to raise its profile in the highly competitive local theater community and its commitment to local playwrights.

Total Project Cost:

\$34,638

Request:

\$9,989

Recommended Award:

\$10,000

Recommended Award: \$5,100

Recommended Award: \$17,000

#### 10. ARTFORMS UNLIMITED

501 Airport Way South Seattle, WA 98134

Incorporated: 1968 (Allied Arts umbrella)

1997 Operating Budget: \$49,068

Organization: ArtForms Unlimited is applying under the umbrella of Allied Arts because it is a new organization arising from the ashes of the Polson Building fire. Two artists who had constructed nine work studios and exhibition gallery in the Polson Building are developing new space to provide work studios for individual artists displaced by the fire. Plans are to develop additional studios in Seattle's Georgetown neighborhood.

Project: Renovation expenses to create working artists studios (no live) and acquire administrative equipment.

Panel: Wanted to support the efforts of this organization to address the space needs of individual visual artists. There are too few projects that create workspace for artists. Given the relative newness of the organization, the panel is supporting the renovation expenses, but not the administrative equipment at this time.

Project Budget:

\$23,137

Request::

\$21,637

Recommended Award:

\$5,100

#### 11. SEATTLE ART MUSEUM

PO Box 22000

Seattle, WA 98122-2902

Incorporated: 1934

1997 Operating Budget: \$8,559,000

Organization: The region's premier visual arts institution offering a range of exhibitions, maintaining a 22,000 piece collection and attracting over 410,000 visitors in 1996. Public

education programs at the museum served 85,000 participants in 1996.

Project: to employ new technologies to creatively open the museum to a broader public and schools by making the entire collection available on a Website.

Panel: Request was for four computer servers costing approximately \$17,000 each, one part of a much larger \$660,000 project to take advantage of new technologies. The panel supported the direction the museum was taking, accessing new technologies to promote exhibits and educate the public about its collection. Felt that other funders would or should also be interested in this initiative, but is supporting the acquisition of the primary server for \$17,000.

Project Budget:

\$662,592

Request:

\$69,566

Recommended Award:

\$17,000

Recommended Award: \$200,000

12. ON THE BOARDS

153 14th Avenue Seattle, WA 98122 Incorporated: 1978

1997 Operating Budget: \$623,000

Organization: Pacific Northwest's primary center for contemporary performance, with attendance between 18,000 and 20,000 annually. Primary performance programs are New Performance Series, Northwest New Works Festival, and 12 Minutes Max.

Project: Renovation of Queen Anne Hall, purchased in 1996 from A Contemporary Theatre. The project accomplishes three goals: retains the facility for arts uses, increases revenue for OtB, and broadens programming capacity.

Panel: This is an important project for an under-served segment of the region's performing arts community, dance and performance artists. presents the work of regional, national and internationally acclaimed artists; will be able to provide many more services for the dance community as a result of this project. This project addresses the space restrictions that have hampered OtB's growth and programs for a number of years.

Project Budget:

\$2,950,000

Request:

\$490,000

Recommended Award:

\$200,000

#### 13. <u>SEWARD PARK ART STUDIO</u>

Recommended Award: \$6,000

5900 Lk. Washington Blvd. S

Seattle, WA 98118 Incorporated: 1987

1997 Operating Budget:: \$105,150

Organization: a cooperative of 20-25 potters offering 7-8 classes per quarter; includes a gallery featuring the work of member artists. Located in a Seattle-owned facility in Seward Park, a neighborhood with few arts opportunities.

Project: Purchase ten new potters wheels, and remodel facility for much needed support and storage space.

Panel: This was a first-time program applicant. Has been in the facility for ten years, but still only has a Concessionaire's Agreement with the city, which is not unusual for other city tenants, such as the Bathhouse, Spectrum and Pratt. Panel had some question about the city's long-term commitment to this organization, therefore, panel is recommending funding only for the fixed assets at this time. The award of \$6,000 will enable Seward Park to purchase five potters wheels.

Project Budget:

\$27,080

Request:

\$20,805

Recommended Award: \$6,000

Recommended Award: \$20,000

Recommended Award: \$145,000

#### 14. PAT GRANEY COMPANY

PO Box 20009 Seattle, WA 98102 Incorporated: 1990

1997 Operating Budget: \$254,000

Organization: Has four main programs: Dance/Performance, the work of the company; Works in Progress Showcases, studio showings; Keeping the Faith-the Prison Project; and the In the Schools Program.

Project: Purchase a van for touring, and for the prison and education programs which take places throughout the county and state.

Panel: This company is one of the region's best and most highly acclaimed dance ensembles, and is also doing great education programs in schools and prisons. Panel reservations about the purchase of a van were overcome by the obvious commitment of the company to reach populations in rural communities. A new van will save the company money on van rentals, and facilitate the many education programs the company conducts throughout the region.

Project Budget:

\$30,290

Request:

\$25,000

Recommended Award:

\$20,000

#### 15. <u>CITY OF FEDERAL WAY</u>

33530 1st Way South Federal Way, WA 98003

Incorporated: N/A

1997 Operating Budget: N/A

Organization: The Parks Department in collaboration with the Federal Way Arts Commission is renovating the Visitation and Retreat Center to become a cultural facility with performance, rehearsal and shop space. As evidence of its commitment to the arts and to support the facility financially, the City has established a local utility tax to underwrite the construction and operating costs.

Project: Conversion of a former chapel to a 250 seat performance space, the Civic Theatre.

Panel: This project has been reviewed by previous Arts Commission panels, but the latest proposal is the most fully developed. Architectural plan looks very good; City has demonstrated considerable financial commitment to the project. The panel had some questions about who the users will be, but felt that given the significant progress that has been made to design an interesting and appropriately-sized performance space, it was time to demonstrate Commission support for the project.

Project Budget:

\$1,197,381 (Civic Theatre construction)

Request:

\$370,000

Recommended Award:

\$145,000

Recommended Award: \$80,000

16. THE GROUP THEATRE

305 Harrison Street Seattle, WA 98109 Incorporated: 1981

1997 Operating Budget: \$865,000

Organization: the only professional theatre in the region with an expressed multicultural mission. Produces a 4-5 mainstage season, including new works by writers of color. In 1996 launched a new initiative with Washington State History Museum to bring history to life through short plays at the Museum.

Project: Three-component renovation project at its Seattle Center theatre: installation of a marquee, information kiosks and lobby finishes to provide better visual recognition; removal of stage pillars that restrict productions; and construction of the Studio Theatre to develop new works.

Panel: Was impressed with the organization's improved financial position and the methods used to achieve it: budget cuts were administrative rather than artistic or programmatic. The panel recommended funding to remove the pillars or to be used for marquee, the priority to be determined by the theatre.

Project Budget:

\$430,000

Request:

\$150,000

Recommended Award:

\$80,000

#### 17. YOUTH THEATRE NORTHWEST

Recommended Award: \$13,000

PO Box 296

Mercer Island, WA 98040

Incorporated: 1984

1997 Operating Budget: \$333,359

Organization: Offers a full season of productions performed *for* children and *by* children. Serves 800 children per year with training and performance opportunities.

Project: Technical upgrades (lighting and sound); purchase of office and video equipment and musical instruments.

Panel: The organization is stable, performs a service (performing arts training for youth) in demand on the eastside, has increased its enrollment and number of performances over the last two years and is a first-time applicant to this program.

Project Budget:

\$26,271

Request:

\$24,871

Recommended Award:

\$13,000

#### 18. <u>UNIDENTIFIED MOVING OBJECTS</u>

Recommended Award: \$2,200

PO Box 347 Vashon, WA 98070 Incorporated: 1989

1997 Operating Budget: \$223,372

Organization: "A theatre of connection." Produces original, physical theatre and movement; tours extensively in Puget Sound and beyond. Has grown organizationally over the past few years, developing new works, increasing budget, expanding performance schedule, hiring administrative staff.

Project: A multi-component fixed assets request, including a sound system, rigging equipment for productions, video equipment, tools, and some miscellaneous office equipment.

Panel: Vashon-based company doing original, well received work. Has evolved to the point that it has successfully survived the retirement of two founding members, and established a rehearsal home on Vashon Island. UMO stated that its most serious need was for sound equipment to replace an aging system that was on verge of breaking down. Panel supported replacement of sound equipment.

Project Budget:

\$9.772

Request:

\$7,772

Recommended Award: \$2,200

#### 19. JACK STRAW PRODUCTIONS

4261 Roosevelt Way NE Seattle, WA 98105

Incorporated: 1962

1997 Operating Budget:": \$447,550

Recommended Award: \$35,000

Organization: Audio production facility dedicated to the creation, production, and presentation of all forms of audio art. Is currently focused on programs in schools and in bringing children to the sound studios in the University District, where they learn about all aspects of radio broadcasting and audio production.

Project: Purchase of audio equipment to implement newly developed on- and off-site educational programs.

Panel: Applicant played a short audio tape that demonstrated the use of audio by students. Offers terrific programs in which students learn how to use sound to support creative writing, how to mix and manipulate sound to enhance the spoken word. Lack of equipment has hampered education programs, which could serve more children and youth. Jack Straw has applied, but never been funded by this program. This was its best application and presentation to date.

Project Budget:

\$59,030

Request:

\$59,030

Recommended Award: \$35,000

Recommended Award: \$2,250

Recommended Award: \$7,500

#### 20. <u>VERY SPECIAL ARTS WASHINGTON</u>

158 Thomas Street Seattle, WA 98109 Incorporated: 1979

1997 Operating Budget: \$124,851

Organization: Dedicated to providing arts opportunities by, for and with persons with disabilities. Current goal is to provide professional development opportunities for emerging and professional disabled artists. Maintains a small gallery exhibiting the work of disabled artists in Seattle Center House.

Project: Gallery improvements: specifically to link the administrative office to the visual arts gallery and increase light in the gallery by removing barriers that block windows.

Panel: This is a simple project for an under-served population, disabled artists. Good, clear application. The project is to create a window in the wall separating the office from the gallery, so that the administrative staff of one can monitor gallery.

Project Budget:

\$4,623

Request:

\$2,228

Recommended Award:

\$2,250

#### 21. STUDIO EAST

402 6th Street South Kirkland, WA 98033 Incorporated: 1994

1997 Operating Budget: \$231,910

Organization: Provides performing arts training opportunities for students and adults on the eastside. Year round classes in theatre, music, and dance with after school programs in schools and in the Studio.

Project: Purchase sound equipment, carpet the theatre lobby, and install a lighted awning to increase the facility's visibility.

Panel: This group has grown quickly in its brief existence. Obviously filling an eastside need. Staff is stable and energetic. No other funders are being approached for this project. Panel concern is that this group may soon outgrow its facility, therefore supports only sound equipment component of the project.

Project Budget:

\$19,514

Request:

\$19,514

Recommended Award:

\$7,500

Recommended Award: \$19,000

22. WIGGLYWORLD

1004 Turner Way E Seattle, WA 98112 Incorporated: 1995

1997 Operating Budget: \$206,000

Organization: Encourages the creation of film in Washington. Programs include free editing services to King County filmmakers, exhibitions of local, national and international independent films at the newly acquired Grand Illusion Theatre, and Films From Here, a quarterly film series featuring the work of regional filmmakers.

Project; Purchaser of film editing equipment and a camera to support the efforts of local filmmakers.

Panel: This is the only project that supported the work of filmmakers, a small but growing community of artists. Film is an expensive media, which hampers the development of early career artists. WigglyWorld's project is designed to support the work of filmmakers by making editing services more affordable and accessible.

Project Budget:

\$27,385

Request:

\$24,440

Recommended Award: \$19,000

23. KIRKLAND ARTS CENTER Recommended Award: \$15,500

620 Market Street Kirkland, WA 98033 Incorporated: 1965

1997 Operating Budget: \$273,000

Organization: Provides classes, workshops, and programs in the arts; space for local and regional artists to exhibit their work. Classes in ceramics, painting and drawing; six-eight gallery exhibitions annually. Maintains historic Peter Kirk Building.

Project: Expand, roof, rewire, and gas plumb the exterior kiln shed; and make structural upgrades to seismically retrofit the building.

Panel: KAC is a well established arts organization offering hands-on instruction for artists and community residents. One of few visual arts organizations offering such services on the eastside. Panel was skeptical that the seismic work could be done for \$25,000. Wanted to see City of Kirkland participate. Fully supports the construction of the kiln shed.

Project budget:

\$63,755

Request:

\$50,000

Recommended Award:

\$15,500

#### 24. NORTHWEST ASIAN AMERICAN THEATRE Recommended Award: \$25,000

409 7th Avenue S Seattle, WA 98104 Incorporated: 1972

1997 Operating Budget: \$379,623

Organization: One of only seven Asian Pacific Islander American theaters in the country. Produces a 2 play season; conducts youth outreach programs and an annual summer youth program and WinterFest, a showcase of the best API performing art. Its venue is used by many other small theater companies who don't have facilities of their own.

Project: Phase 4 of a facility upgrade, focused on replacing twenty year old chairs in the 160 seat theatre.

Panel: This is an organization that has grown in the last three years, following the employment of a full time artistic director. Is a significant influence in the Asian American community; recently received a Ford Foundation grant to initiate an artists collaboration program. The theatre is used by many small theatre companies without performance spaces of their own. Panel supports the proposal to purchase and install new chairs in the Theatre Off Jackson..

Project Budget:

\$25,721

Request:

\$25,721

Recommended Award:

\$25,000

#### 25. VILLAGE THEATRE

Recommended Award: \$12,000

303 Front Street N Issaquah, WA 98027 Incorporated: 1979

1997 Operating Budget: \$2,380,700

Organization: Produces a 5 show season of family theatre. Operates two facilities in downtown Issaquah, the new 488 seat Gaudette Theatre and the 222 seat First Stage. Offers participatory opportunities through KIDSTAGE, a program of classes and performances for young people.

Project: To upgrade tools for the scene shop to produce better sets and improve production values in the new theatre.

Panel: Village Theatre is playing to near capacity audiences; productions are generally well received. So much capital was invested in constructing the new facility, but shop needs were overlooked. This request is for the tools needed to produce sets to keep pace with other production elements.

Project Budget:

\$19,056

Request:

\$19.056

Recommended Award:

\$12,000

#### 26. AFRICAN AMERICAN HERITAGE MUSEUM

Recommended Award \$25,000

2301 Jackson Street Seattle WA 98144 Incorporated: 1995

1997 Operating Budget: \$395,000

Organization: Promotes and preserves the history, culture, traditions and achievements of African Americans and will serve as a focal point for the African American community.

Project: To develop the Colman Elementary School as a cultural center. The organization is in the design development stage. Schematics will help determine the appropriate mix of programming, design of exhibits and specific renovation requirements for the facility.

Panel: This organization has a clearer intent and direction than it has in the past. Typically, the Cultural Facilities Program does not fund design costs without evidence that the construction costs have been raised. However, the panel perceived that this is a project with much support within the African American community, and that support from the Arts Commission at this time could help generate momentum for the project. (The Landmarks and Heritage Commission will match the Arts Commission recommendation.)

Project Budget:

\$12,620,000

Request:

\$300,000

Recommended Award \$25,000 (plus \$25,000 from Landmarks for a total of \$50,000)

#### 27. WING LUKE ASIAN MUSEUM

Recommended Award: \$8,000

407 7th Avenue S Seattle, WA 98104 Incorporated: 1966

1997 Operating Budget: \$682,603

Organization: Preserves and presents the history, culture and art of Asian Pacific Americans. In 1995 and 1996 conducted 26 workshops on art and APA cultural traditions; presented 41 speakers in classrooms throughout the county; two teacher workshops on the International District as an educational resource; 9 public receptions; and 58 other programs (readings, film screenings, presentations, panels, and musical performances).

Project: Seeks funds to remodel a 500 square foot loft above current offices and purchase computers and printer for in-house publications and to accommodate increased staff, paid for by a NW Area Foundation grant.

Panel: Wing Luke is renovating the loft area in a space for which it has only a five year lease. It is looking to relocate to a larger museum in the next five to eight years, therefore the panel did not support the renovation component of the project. However, it did support the need for computers to accommodate the increased staff.

Project Budget:

\$51,314

Request:

\$49,514

Recommended Award:

\$8,000



Recommended Award: \$100,000

#### 28. SEATTLE CENTER FOUNDATION

305 Harrison Street Seattle, WA 98109 Incorporated: 1977

1997 Operating Budget: \$475,743

Organization: supports the vision of Seattle Center by advocating for public support and private funds for major capital and program improvements.

Project: Major renovation and reconstruction of the Flag Pavilion, built in 1962 and used by small arts and heritage organizations for annual festivals and special events.

Panel: Recognized the importance of the Flag Pavilion to groups such as the Sundiata Cultural Association, Irish Heritage Club, Indian Youth Conference, Martin Luther King Day Celebration, Filipiniana, Chinese Arts and Cultural Association. These groups successfully lobbied Seattle Center to save the building from demolition, because it is their only central performance venue for local heritage festivals. The City of Seattle has allocated \$1.1 million for this project. The Foundation needs to raise another \$240,000 to meet the construction budget. Organizations that use the facility have indicated that they could raise private funds for the project. Panel recommends \$100,000 and encourages the private sector to participate.

Project Budget:

\$1,378,522

Request:

\$240,000

Recommended Award:

\$100,000

#### 29. VASHON ALLIED ARTS/

Recommended Award: \$30,000

VASHON MAURY ISLAND HERITAGE ASSOCIATION

19704 Vashon Highway SW

Vashon Island, WA 98070

Incorporated: 1966

1997 Operating Budget: \$348,460

Organization: VAA provides a center for the arts on Vashon Island. It the oldest private community arts council in the state. Vashon Maury Island Heritage Association preserves and interprets local heritage resources on the island. It has en extensive collection of archival materials, but no place for their display.

Project: This is a collaborative project between two organizations to purchase a piece of land adjacent to VAA's Blue Heron Center and construct a small heritage museum, attached to the Blue Heron Center, which would be used for heritage exhibits and arts programs that cannot be accommodated in the arts facility.

Panel: Blue Heron lacks a parking lot. It has rented land from an islander who has expressed interest in selling the property. The arts panel liked the idea of a joint arts/heritage project, but supported only the purchase of the land (\$30,000), which will become a parking lot and the site of the new heritage museum. (The Heritage Commission supported half the construction costs of the new facility, \$50,000).

Project Budget:

\$216,500

Request:

\$175,000

Recommended Award:

\$30,000 (plus \$50,000 from the Heritage Commission)

#### NOT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING

1. <u>BELLEVUE EASTSIDE YOUTH SYMPHONIES</u>

REQUEST: \$5,793

**REOUEST: \$70,000** 

REQUEST: \$213,363

4038-B 128th SE, Suite 221 Bellevue, WA 98006 Incorporated: 1958

1997 Operating Budget: \$25,580

Organization: provides educational musical opportunities for eastside youth.

Project: computer purchase.

Panel: organization works out of director's home. Panel does not support computer equipment which will be housed in private residences.

2. NORTHWEST PUPPET CENTER

9123 15th Avenue NE Seattle, WA 98115 Incorporated: 1988

1996 Operating Budget: \$259,250

Organization: Incorporated in 1988, has presented a full season of live puppetry at its own facility since 1993. Maintains a small puppet museum; presents national and international guest artists; does many outreach programs in schools.

Project: To create a satellite facility in the Sound Point complex. The new facility is not intended to replace its current theatre, but will house a larger puppet museum and serve a greater number of children participating in school programs. Because of zoning restrictions, the current facility is limited in the times it can be used and lacks parking.

Panel: The project is at least two years away from construction. The facility NWPC is looking to occupy will be used by the City of Seattle for at least the next two years to temporarily house Ballard High School.. The panel believes the Puppet Center has demonstrated its financial stability and is extremely popular with children, but the application is premature.

3. <u>CORNISH COLLEGE OF THE ARTS</u>

710 East Roy Street Seattle, WA 98102 Incorporated: 1974

1997 Operating Budget: \$6,975,167

Organization: One of only two private colleges west of the Mississippi offering professional training and baccalaureate degrees in both visual and performing arts.

Project: PONCHO Concert Hall/Kerry Hall Lobby renovations and technical upgrades.

Panel: This was a fairly sizable request (\$213,363) for a project that has no other participants. The panel questions the commitment of Cornish to reach out to the larger performing arts community. Cornish is embarking on a much larger campaign to expand its classroom area by 250,000 square feet. Would have been better to ask for less for a specific component of the project.

#### 4. NEW CITY THEATRE

1634 11th Avenue Seattle, WA 98122 Incorporated: 1982

1997 Operating Budget: \$173,633

REQUEST: \$18,144

REQUEST: \$39,120

REOUEST: \$92,971

Organization: Creates new plays and provides a home for individual creative artists. Commissioned, developed and premiered *In the Heart of the Woods*, which toured to Seattle Rep, Tacoma Actors Guild and 19 towns throughout Washington State. Annually presents a directors festival and playwrights festival and in 1996 launched a new dance festival.

Project: purchase of portable chairs for two theatre spaces.

Panel: New City is a vital member of the arts community providing opportunities to many artists from all disciplines, including theatre, dance, video and visual arts. Has received significant H/M capital funding in the past three years, which was the primary reason it is not being recommended for funding at this time.

#### 5. NORTHWEST ACTORS STUDIO

1100 E. Pike Street Seattle, WA 98122 Incorporated: 1980

1997 Operating Budget: \$132,600

Organization: A 15 year old Capital Hill theater school for all students, and a space for emerging theater companies and artists.

Project: Seeks funds to purchase new lighting equipment to enhance technical capability of two-venue facility.

Panel: Information in the application indicates that fixing a broken elevator is required to enable NWAS to extend its lease, but the request was for funds to purchase lighting equipment. Mentions goal to purchase the building, but has no strategic plan to accomplish it. This group seems to function well as a school and performance venue, but it is difficult to understand how they do it. NWAS needs to develop a realistic long term plan.

#### 6. PHOTOGRAPHIC CENTER SCHOOL

2617 Fifth Avenue Seattle, WA 98121 Incorporated: 1992

1997 Operating Budget: \$223,610

Organization: the only place in the Northwest that offers a school, darkroom rentals and a gallery devoted to the art of photography.

Project; PCS recently purchased a building which needs an elevator to comply with building codes; basement must be waterproofed.

Panel: Was impressed with the commitment of the organization to expand its programming through a larger facility. New facility is in a good location (Capitol Hill) to expand outreach. PCS has done little to learn about other organizations serving the local community. All funds for purchase of the new facility had been secured through a loan, so there was no corporate or foundation support for the project.

7. <u>DANCE ON CAPITAL HILL</u>

340 15th Ave. E Seattle, WA 98103 Incorporated: 1984

1997 Operating Budget: \$323,627

Organization: Offers public performances, workshops, lecture-demonstrations and classes. Strong Wind Wild Horses is resident company; provides 75 classes per week to students ranging in age from 3 to 70; runs annual summer Dance Camp for homeless youth from local shelters. Presents two concert series: *Choreofest* and *Intimate Works*.

Project: Wheelchair Access Project: purchase and install a wheelchair lift to provide access to the second floor studio through the front entrance.

Panel: Panel struggled with this project, because it is an access project. Dance on Capitol Hill's current lease expires at the end of 1997; it can renew for another three years, but it doesn't have the long-term lease the panel would have preferred. Argument was made that the lift could be moved to another space, if the organization relocated, but that isn't always practical. Did not appear doable unless fully funded. Panel reluctantly said "no," primarily because of short-term lease.

8. THE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM

305 Harrison Street Seattle, WA 98109-4645 Incorporated: 1979

1997 Operating Budget: \$1,484,579

REQUEST: \$13,878

**REQUEST: \$5,000** 

REQUEST: 23,512

Organization: Provides exhibits and programs that stretch the minds and imaginations of young people and their families. Museum staff lead a number of teacher training workshops and create activity books to assist educators in the classroom.

Project: design and development of the *Educators' Resources Room*, which will contain artifacts and information materials to be used by instructors to teach about other cultures.

Panel: The primary question the panel raised concerned the arts component of this project. Is this an arts project? The Children's Museum does great work teaching children about science and other cultures, but there seems to be a question about whether what it does is art. In a process as competitive as this, the project did not succeed.

#### CHORALE SOUNDS NORTHWEST

PO Box 46268 Seattle, WA 98146-0268 Incorporated: 1987

1997 Operating Budget: \$82,650

Organization: Has expanded its traditional all-classical format to incorporate different types of music with staging and choreography and has added a CSN Chamber Orchestra for many of its concerts. The 1996-97 season nearly doubles the number of performances of the previous season.

Project: Purchase sound equipment to enhance performances throughout the region.

Panel: Equipment would be stored in Music Director's home, "under the stairs." This request was modest in size. The Ensemble seems to be growing nicely in the number of

REOUEST: \$36,708

performances, concerts, and audiences. It is a community chorus. There is a reluctance to purchase equipment not associated with a specific space.

#### 10. <u>BATHHOUSE THEATRE</u>

7312 Greenlake Dr. N Seattle, WA 98103 incorporated: 1970

1997 Operating Budget: \$904,887

Organization: "innovative, approachable theatre that surprises, excites and engages the broadest possible audience." Presents a four show season and one pre-season single ticket event per year.

Project: Technical upgrades, including dimmer packs, lighting instruments, and accessories.

Panel: The panel had no strong feeling about this project one way or another. The Bathhouse has done a good job of stabilizing its financial base over the last couple of years; has cut back its production schedule from 5-6 shows to four. Has done some excellent work artistically. Biggest drawback was probably the number of applications from theatre organizations or venues this year (17, twelve of which are being recommended for funding). Would like to see Bathhouse develop a long-term plan.

#### 11. 911 MEDIA ARTS CENTER

117 Yale Avenue N Seattle, WA 98109 Incorporated: 1984

1997 Operating Budget: \$313,289

Organization: Washington's only non-profit arts organization that supports the creative use of media (film, video). Provides more than 100 workshops annually in all aspects of video, multimedia, animation, the Internet and film; and more than 75 screenings of new works by local artists; produces a quarterly newsletter, *On Screen*.

Project: purchase of digital media training lab and expansion of post-production services.

Panel: Recognized 911's role in the local arts community as the only media access center in the region. Last year, 911 was awarded \$45,000 for a new video editing suite. Was in competition with two groups, Jack Straw and Wiggly World, with similar technical needs, which had not been funded in the past.

#### 12. PRATT FINE ARTS CENTER

1902 S. Main Seattle, WA 98144-2206 Incorporated: December 1976 1997 Operating Budget: \$980,710

Organization: Is a hands-on artist work studio offering classes in glass, jewelry making, metalsmithing, sculpture and printmaking, all mediums requiring space and specific equipment not usually owned by artists. Provides essential resources to area artists and students.

Project: Continuation of a renovation to the facility to enable the organization to serve an expanding enrollment, and purchase of new equipment.

REOUEST: \$20,000

REQUEST: \$55,125

Panel: Recognizes Pratt's unique service to the visual arts community and to the residents of the Central District in which it is located. Competition was Seward Park Art Studio, which was a first-time applicant and Kirkland Art Center and Bellevue Community College's arts program, which serve eastside audiences. Pratt has been significantly funded in each of the last three years. Panel felt it was time to support other projects.

#### 13. KIRKLAND PERFORMANCE CENTER

REQUEST: \$70,000

220 Kirkland Avenue Kirkland, WA 98033 Incorporated: 1990

1997 Operating Budget: \$130,774

Organization: The mission of KPC is to provide a facility to present quality performing arts events on the Eastside. KPC programming plans include all artistic disciplines: dance, theatre, music. KPC will be presenter, not producer.

Project: Construction of a new 400 seat facility.

Panel: KPC has received significant King County support through this program and County Council bond initiatives in the past. Total County support for this project is \$490,000 or 22% of a \$2.2 construction budget. Again, because of competition for funds this year and the fact that KPC has already received significant county funding, the panel is not recommending funding at this time.

#### 14. RENTON CIVIC THEATRE

REQUEST: \$20,000

507 S Third Street Renton, WA 98057 Incorporated: 1988

1997 Operating Budget: \$256,000

Organization: Produces a 5-6 play season. Primarily a community theatre, it has the largest budget of any performing arts group in South King County.

Project: Replace roof on the theatre it owns in downtown Renton.

Panel: There was no financial information submitted with this proposal. No audit, which makes it ineligible, but also no page 22, which includes five years of budget information. Without any information on how it earns and spends money, the panel could not consider the proposal.

#### 15. CITY OF BOTHEL

18305 101st Ave. NE Bothel, WA 98011 Incorporated: 1911

1997 Operating Budget: N/A

Organization: Bothel Parks Department is renovating the performance area (dock and amphitheater) in The Park at Bothel, located along the Sammamish River Trail. The amphitheater is used for public performances, community concerts and special events.

Project: See above.

REOUEST: \$96,672

**REOUEST:** \$8,000

REQUEST: 11,355

Panel; The plans for the amphitheater and Park are excellent. However, Bothel has no arts commission or arts council, and the performance stage is only used about 6-10 times a year. The panel couldn't justify supporting a sizable request without evidence of more extensive programming.

### 16. <u>FOUNDATION FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION & ADAPTIVE REUSE</u> REOUEST: \$23.535

8804 S 122nd Street Seattle, WA 98178 Incorporated: 1988

1997 Operating Budget: \$7,435

Organization: Promotes historic preservation and contemporary reuse of historic properties. Current emphasis is to coordinate efforts to provide a mobile exhibit to present Native American heritage programming at various community sites throughout the county.

Project: Create a mobile exhibit of native arts and crafts within a bus, comparable to a bookmobile.

Panel: This organization did not present its programmatic or financial information in a way that made its goals clear and feasible. In the last three years, its shows expenditures of \$150 on a total income of about \$14,000. Needs much organizational development before it will be a competitive grant seeker.

#### 17 NORDIC HERITAGE MUSEUM

3014 NW 67th St. Seattle, WA 98117 Incorporated: 1979

1996 Operating Budget: \$494,220

Organization: Highlights Nordic culture in the context of Pacific NW history, through exhibits, music and theatrical events.

Project: Purchase computer to keep track of inventory and expenses/income from the museum gift store.

Panel: This was presented as a necessity for the museum store. The Museum operates at a healthy cash surplus. Panel felt that this is an expense that should be covered by the Museum's operating surplus.

#### 18. ANNEX THEATRE

1916 4th Avenue Seattle, WA 98101 Incorporated: 1986

1997 Operating Budget: \$123,521

Organization: A year round home for theatre artists, with a membership of 85, dedicated to producing new by local playwrights. In the last two years has produced 17 mainstage productions and 8 Black Box, developmental productions. Maintains low ticket prices: "theatre for the cost of a movie."

Project: Purchase tools for scene shop, sewing machine and washing machine for costume shop, computers and laser printer to produce production and promotional materials.

Panel: There is much to admire about this all volunteer organization. But is has received considerable funding in the last few years, almost \$30,000 for lighting and sound equipment. In this very competitive round, panel considered levels of previous funding in making recommendations.



### KING COUNTY LANDMARKS AND HERITAGE COMMISSION CULTURAL FACILITIES PROGRAM

Funding Recommendations

February, 1997

#### **OVERVIEW**

On Thursday, January 30, and Friday, January 31, the Cultural Facilities Panel met to review twenty-seven (27) applications submitted for funding by the December 16, 1996 Cultural Facilities Program deadline.

The Panelists were:

Bob Gruhn, King County Landmarks and Heritage Commission Chair; Patricia Fels, King County Landmarks and Heritage Commission John Chaney, Historic Seattle, Karen Luetjen, Marymoor Museum; Ann Vernon, David Leavengood Architects.

Twenty-seven (27) applications requested an aggregate of \$1,765,837. Nineteen (19) applications are being recommended for funding totaling \$480,400.

#### RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING

CITY OF BLACK DIAMOND/BLACK DIAMOND HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Recommended Award: \$45,000

PO Box 232 Black Diamond, WA 98010 Incorporated: 1976

1997 Operating Budget: \$10,036

Organization: Black Diamond Historical Society was founded in 1976 to celebrate the history of the Green River coal fields. Museum is located in a city-owned National Register railroad depot in the historic district of Black Diamond.

Project: Collaboration between the City of Black Diamond and the Black Diamond Historical Society to relocate the 1905 John Davies Candy Store to its original historic district location and restore it to its 1905 appearance. The building has been donated to the BDHS and will be used as a Community Information Center with interpretive historical text and images.

Panel: There was much to appreciate about this project: relocation of a historic structure to its original site; its restoration; financial or in-kind support from multiple sources; participation by the City of Black Diamond, sweat equity on the part of BDHS. The panel enthusiastically supported this project.

Project Budget:

\$188,685

Request:

\$75,485

Recommended Award:

\$45,000



2. ISSAQUAH HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Recommended Award: \$11,000

PO Box 695 Issaquah, WA 98027

Incorporated: 1987

1997 Operating Budget: \$14,500

Organization: IHS collects, preserves, exhibits and interprets the history, and heritage of Issaquah and vicinity. Maintains the Town Hall and Depot museums.

Project: Accessibility via a wheelchair lift to the Depot Museum Annex, which is a railcar acquired in 1995 to create addition exhibit space. Also materials for internal display finishes to the railcar and completion of the Archival Shop to build displays and store artifacts.

Panel: The panel was not supportive of the wheel chair lift solution to the accessibility problem. The panel thought that the lift would require serious long-term maintenance, and would not be adequately sheltered from the elements. Because of substantial in-kind support, the panel is fully supportive of the other aspects of the proposal: finishing the railcar interior and archival shop space.

Total Project Costs:

\$29,250

Request:

\$22,483

Recommended Award:

\$11,000

3. <u>CITY OF DUVALL</u> (Dougherty House Restoration)

Recommended Award: \$22,000

15535 Main Street Duvall, WA 98019

Incorporated: 1913 (City)

1997 Operating Budget: \$3,100,593

Organization: The City of Duvall is partnering with the Duvall Historical Society and the recently appointed City of Duvall Cultural Resources Board to restore the landmark Dougherty Farmstead. The Duvall Historical Society will operate the house as a museum.

Project: Primarily seeking funds to make the building compliant with ADA requirements. Exterior is in fairly good shape; interior needs much plasterwork, painting; the fireplace needs repairing.

Panel: The panel would like to see a firmer agreement with the Duvall Historical Society to establish a heritage center in the facility. The fact that Duvall has appointed a Cultural Resources Board is promising. Thought that the architectural and consulting fees were high. But this is a threatened historic structure, a high priority of the panel.

Total Project Costs:

\$68,300

Request:

\$56,300

Recommended Award:

\$22,000

Recommended Award: \$10,000

Recommended Award: \$15,000

#### 4. SHORELINE HISTORICAL MUSEUM

749 N 175th

Seattle, WA 98133 Incorporated: 1975

1997 Operating Budget: \$132,825

Organization: Mission is to preserve, record and interpret the history of the Shoreline area and its relationship to the Northwest in general. SHM creates exhibits of local history and is a resource to schools and the community. Has five permanent and two changing display areas. Is now partnering with Shoreline Arts Council to exhibit the work of local and regional artists in a new gallery.

Project: multi-phase project for climate control (replacement of steam radiator valves to correct leaks), and restoration of the Ronald School building's porch columns and balustrade.

Panel: SHM is a well administered, city supported community museum. It would like to attain landmark status, but much restoration work must be done. The panel is offering partial support for the restoration of the porch and balustrade and replacement of the radiator valves and would like its \$10,000 matched by SHM's \$10,000.

Total Project Costs:

\$21,735

Request:

\$18,935

Recommended Award:

\$10,000

5. FRIENDS OF FERN COVE

PO Box 13126

Vashon, WA 98070

Incorporated: 1993

1997 Operating Budget: \$1,250

Organization: is dedicated to the stewardship of Fern Cove Sanctuary's cultural and ecological heritage. The goals for the next two years will focus on the restoration of Belle Baldwin House and carriage house.

Project: The Baldwin House is in need of minor repair and painting. The Carriage House will be used as an Orientation Center; it will house displays, maps, and other materials related to the site. The carriage house is highly deteriorated: no roof; sills and lower structural members are rotten.

Panel: Fern Cove property is owned by Vashon Parks District and leased to FOFC for three years with an option for renewal. The panel is supporting the carriage house and design portion of the request, since the carriage house is in greater need of stabilization.

Total Project Costs:

\$43,084

Request:

\$29,742

Recommended Award:

\$15,000

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#### 6. NORTHWEST SEAPORT

1002 Valley St.

Seattle, WA 98109-4332

Incorporated: 1963

1997 Operating Budget: \$103,034

Recommended Award: \$50,000

Organization: preserves and interprets the maritime heritage of the Puget Sound and the Northwest Coast. Students have learned how ships are built as part of the WAWONA bow restoration. . The <u>Checkerboard Crew</u> traveling African American whaling exhibit continues to travel to schools.

Project: To restore US Coast Guard Lightship #83, the *Swiftsure*. The project is being done in two concurrent phases: installation of a new wood weather deck, renovating small deck houses and refurbishing the shelter deck; and restoration of the steam engine.

Panel: The panel believes the *Swiftsure* is an important historic maritime resource and supported its restoration. It also expressed concern, however, about Northwest Seaport's fundraising activities, which have not been particularly successful, except in in-kind contributions.

Total Project Costs:

\$332,000

Request:

\$60,000

Recommended Award:

\$50,000

#### 7. WHITE RIVER VALLEY MUSEUM

918 H Street SE Auburn, WA 98002

Incorporated: 1961

1997 Operating Budget: \$119,375

Recommended Award: \$2,500

Organization: An emerging, professional community heritage museum, it collects, preserves, interprets and exhibits art and artifacts relevant to the White River Valley region. WRVM has a management agreement with the City of Auburn, which provides financial support and joint administration of the facility.

Project: A fixed asset request package for the renovated museum. Items include two printers, telephones, meeting room chairs and tables, a slide projector, camera and lens, sound lectern, a map cabinet and negative storage cabinets.

Panel: Project seeks funds to upgrade administrative, programmatic and curatorial equipment. The panel felt that many of the items, such as phones, an adding machine, TV and VCR console, did not meet the ten year useful life requirement of the Facilities Program and perhaps should more appropriately be budgeted for as part of operations. Fixed assets requests were generally considered a lower priority than many of the preservation projects. The panel did acknowledge the need for museums to have the kind of equipment that would enhance their programs and operations and is recommending \$2,500.

Total Project Costs:

\$14,487

Request:

\$14,487

Recommended Award:

\$2,500

8. SNOQUALMIE VALLEY HISTORICAL MUSEUM Recommended Award: \$27,000

PO Box 179

North Bend, WA 98045 Incorporated: 1971

1997 Operating Budget: \$22,570

Organization: Presents exhibits interpreting human history in the upper Snoqualmie Valley. Exhibits change twice annually.

Project: Purchase of a Spacesaver Storage System allowing SVHM to preserve the treasures it holds in trust longer and better.

Panel: The panel would like to see SVHM be a better fundraiser. The project didn't lend itself to partial funding. Panel supports the purchase of the Spacesaver, but expects the labor to either be donated or paid for by the Museum.

Total Project Costs:

\$31,800

Request:

\$29,000

Recommended Award:

\$27,000

#### **BELLEVUE HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

Recommended Award: \$3,500

2102 Bellevue Way SE Bellevue, WA 98006 Incorporated: 1986

1997 Operating Budget: \$7,000

Organization: Preserves the history of the people, events, and places of Bellevue through archival/historical materials; cultural interpretation of Winters House; outreach to schools.

Project: Purchase of a portable, 16 panel, exhibit system that will enable BHS to display images of Bellevue's history with text and graphics. The first exhibit is a history of the Eastside Japanese American community. With these panels, BHS can send exhibits to schools, libraries and malls.

Panel: The panel recognized the outreach opportunity that this project presented. This is a fledgling museum, which has not been supported by the Facilities Program in the past. The project is straitforward and should produce good results for the Museum.

Total Project Costs:

\$3,669

Request:

\$3,669

Recommended Award: \$3,500

#### 10. NEELY MANSION ASSOCIATION

13521 SE 266th St. Kent, WA 98002 Incorporated: 1983

1997 Operating Budget: \$20,104

Recommended Award: \$12,000

Organization: Mission is to restore and interpret the Neely Mansion and its site as a historic house museum. Proceeds from fundraising events, such as the Farmhouse Christmas craft show and the Spring and Fall Victorian Teas, have been used to restore the porches and balcony, to grade and seed the front lawn, and build a gazebo.

Project: To move and stabilize the Japanese Bathhouse, which originally sat behind the Mansion, but was moved off the property many years ago. The bathhouse has been added to the Neely Mansion Landmark designation and is in need a major repair.

Panel: This project met the highest priority of the Facilities Program: protection and preservation of endangered historic resources. The bathhouse is a one-of-a-kind resource. The request was modest and considered urgent. The Neely Mansion Association has successfully completed other restoration projects in the past. The panel recommends \$12,000.

Total Project Costs:

\$12,705

Request:

\$12,005

Recommended Award: \$12,000

#### 11. MUSEUM OF HISTORY AND INDUSTRY

Recommended Award: \$30,000

2700 24th Ave. East Seattle, WA 98112 Incorporated: 1914

1997 Operating Budget: \$2,023,576

Organization: Largest private heritage organization in Washington, MOHAI collects, preserves, and interprets the history of Seattle, KC and the Pacific NW. Between 1994-1996, the museum presented 14 major exhibits and 250 interpretive programs to more than 200,000 people. 50,000 school children participated in on-site education programs; another 20,000 were reached in schools.

Project: renovation of the South Gallery, transforming it into a fully equipped, computer automated *Object Theatre* that presents multi-sensory interpretive programs...

Panel: This project spurred an interesting debate among panelists on several issues. There was some concern that MOHAI was looking to relocate to a new facility and panelists questioned whether this project would be transferable. There was also discussion about the high tech, multisensory nature of this project, whether this was the direction interpretive exhibits should be taking. The Panel ultimately decided MOHAI should be encouraged to explore new ways to build audiences and tell the story of the region.

Project Budget:

\$288,699

Request:

\$54,146

Recommended Award:

\$30,000

Recommended Award: \$13,400

#### 12. ENUMCLAW PLATEAU HISTORICAL SOCIETY

PO Box 1087

Enumclaw, WA 98022 Incorporated: 1995

1997 Operating Budget: \$10,000

Organization: The Society's mission is to preserve and document the historical sites, material history and oral histories of the Enumclaw Plateau. Assists researchers; collects, interprets and exhibits memorabilia of the Plateau for the benefit of the general public, schools and other organizations. Its primary goal is the restoration of the historic Masonic Lodge, which will be the museum's home.

Project: Restoration of the old Masonic Lodge. More specifically, installation of an HVAC system, addition of ADA compliant bathrooms, which will be built within a 7' addition to the back of the structure.

Panel: Has raised \$132,000 to date toward the design and restoration of the building, a considerable achievement for a relatively new, all volunteer organization. The panel was not supportive of all components of the project, but is recommending \$13,400 to re-roof the building and purchase materials for the addition that will provide space for the bathrooms and a second means of egress.

Total Project Cost:

\$142,480

Request:

\$36,900

Recommended Award:

\$13,400

#### 13. PIKE PLACE MARKET FOUNDATION

Recommended Award: \$5,000

85 Pike Street #500 Seattle, WA 98101 Incorporated: 1982

1997 Operating Budget: \$1,404,450

Organization: The Foundation works to preserve the traditions and diversity of the Pike Place market by raising funds to support programs of resident human services agencies, public amenities and capital projects.

Project: Site selection, design and exhibit acquisition for a Market Heritage and Interpretive Center. Two site are under consideration: Western Avenue and "Flower Row."

Panel: The panel considered this project a bit premature for significant funding. A site has not been selected for the Market Heritage and Interpretive Center. Since the facility has not been designed, construction estimates are speculative at best. Panel is recommending \$5,000 to assist with expenses incurred to select a site and begin schematic design.

Project Budget:

\$414,829

Request:

\$56,369

Recommended Award:

\$5,000

Recommended Award: \$50,000

#### 14. STEAMER VIRGINIA V FOUNDATION

901 Fairview Avenue N, #A-110

Seattle, WA 98109 Incorporated: 1976

1997 Operating Budget: \$785,000

Organization: Mission is to preserve, restore, interpret, operate, and promote the Steamer Virginia V to accurately reflect the maritime transportation heritage of our region. Has been involved with the Special People's Cruise, in conjunction with Seafair, for the last 28 years; works with at-risk youth; and participates in community waterfront festivals and events.

Project: Phase II of the restoration of the Steamer Virginia V. Phase II includes refastening the keel; foredeck renewal; main deckhouse renovation; additional bottom, planking and frame replacement; engine overhaul and engine room; passenger amenities; and ADA improvements.

Panel: A maritime project that preserves a one-of-a-kind piece of regional history. KCLHC has provided significant funding \$140,000 in the past. The ship will soon be going into drydock for Phase I work, which will restore the mid-ship hull. This is a good opportunity to address other needs at the same time. The request of \$100,000 is only a small portion of the \$1.37 million needed for Phase II. The Foundation has successfully raised funds from a variety of sources.

Total Project Cost:

\$1,370,000

Request:

\$100,000

Recommended Award:

\$50,000

#### 15. CITY OF KENT PARKS AND RECREATION

Recommended Award: \$25,000

220 4th Ave. South Kent, WA 98032

Incorporated: 1890 (city)

1997 Operating Budget: \$6,763,596 (city)

Organization: The Parks and Recreation Department's mission is to provide opportunities to enrich the lives of the Kent citizenry. Among its many activities, it recently purchased the historic Bereiter Home (1907), which will house the Kent Historical Society and serve as a historical museum for the city.

Project: To convert the residential house to offices and a museum for the Kent Historical Society. Components include ADA compliant ramps, entrances and bathroom; upgrading the electrical system and providing emergency exit lighting; exterior parking lot.

Panel: The agreement with Kent Historical Society has not yet been signed. There was no other financial support for the project other than from the City of Kent, which is the source of funds to purchase the house. The panel would like to see the house landmarked, either by Kent or through an interlocal agreement. The panel support the electrical upgrades and some of the ADA components (walks, ramps, entrances, restrooms and some of the miscellaneous repairs), but not the construction of a parking lot.

Total Project Costs:

\$448,544

Request:

\$76,641

Recommended Award:

\$25,000

Recommended Award: \$4,000

16. <u>CITY OF DUVALL</u> (Thayer Barn)

15535 Main Street Duvall, WA 98019

Incorporated: 1913 (City)

1997 Operating Budget: \$3,100,593

Organization: The City of Duvall under the advisement of its recently formed Cultural Resources Board, proposes to develop an arts center in the Thayer Barn, which was given to the city by its owner with the proviso that it be used as a community resource.

Project: A feasibility study to determine what would have to be done to the barn to preserve its historic integrity and enable it to be used as an arts center.

Panel: The panel thought that this modest expense would endorse the city's commitment to adaptive reuse of historic structures and its creation of a Cultural Resources Board.

**Total Project Costs:** 

\$4,000

Request:

\$4.000

Recommended Award:

\$4,000

#### 17. AFRICAN AMERICAN HERITAGE MUSEUM

Recommended Award: \$25,000

2301 Jackson Street Seattle WA 98144

Incorporated: 1995

1997 Operating Budget: \$395,000

Organization: Promotes and preserves the history, culture, traditions and achievements of African Americans and will serve as a focal point for the African American community.

Project: To develop the Colman Elementary School as a cultural center. The organization is in the design development stage. Schematics will help determine the appropriate mix of programming, design of exhibits and specific renovation requirements for the facility.

Panel: This organization has a clearer intent and direction than it has in the past. The panel perceived that this is a project with much support within the African American community, and that support from the Landmarks and Heritage Commission at this time could help generate momentum for the project. (The Arts Commission will match the Landmarks and Heritage Commission recommendation.)

Project Budget:

\$12,620,000

Request:

\$300,000

Recommended Award: \$25,000 (plus \$25,000 from Arts Commission for a total of

\$50,000)

#### 18. <u>VASHON ALLIED ARTS/</u> <u>Recommended Award: \$60,000</u> <u>VASHON MAURY ISLAND HERITAGE ASSOCIATION</u>

19704 Vashon Highway SW Vashon Island, WA 98070

Incorporated: 1966

1997 Operating Budget: \$348,460

Organization: VAA provides a center for the arts on Vashon Island. It the oldest private community arts council in the state. Vashon Maury Island Heritage Association preserves and interprets local heritage resources on the island. It has an extensive collection of archival materials, but no place for their display.

Project: This is a collaborative project to purchase a piece of land adjacent to VAA's Blue Heron Center and construct a small heritage museum, attached to the Blue Heron Center, which would be used for heritage exhibits and arts programs that cannot be accommodated in the arts facility.

Panel: VMIHA's archives include more than 2,000 photographs, as well as publications, maps, artifacts, and farm implements. It has no place to exhibit its collection. The proposed project, construction of the Vashon Heritage Center, will enable VMIHA to realize its longstanding goal of providing a centrally located facility, accessible by transit and close to schools, with sufficient space for exhibits, presentations and meetings. The Commission is alos recommending \$10,000 specifically for the roof of the landmark Blue Heron Center. The roof was to be replaced with a new composition roof. The Commission is adding funds to enable VAA to use cedar shingles, which are more appropriate for the historic structure.

Project Budget:

\$216,500

Request:

\$175,000

Recommended Award:

\$60,000 (plus \$30K from Arts Commission to purchase land)

#### 19. VOLUNTEERS FOR OUTDOOR WASH.

Recommended Award \$70,000

8511 15th Avenue NE Seattle, WA 98119-3653 Incorporated: 1983

1997 Operating Budget: \$45,790

Organization: Promotes volunteer stewardship of our natural, recreational and heritage resources. Since 1991 has been in partnership with the Forest Service to develop and interpret the Iron Goat Trail as a historic, wheelchair accessible hiking trail on the abandoned Great Northern Railway grade in the Stevens Pass Historic District.

Project: Purchase of three parcels of land totaling 67 acres within Stevens Pass Historic District. The land is located at the foot of Windy Mountain adjacent to US Highway 2. The land will close a gap in the public ownership of the abandoned Great Northern right-of-way and provide trailway access from Highway 2.

Panel: The land purchased by VOW would be deeded back to the National Forest Service. This land represents the final gap in public ownership of the Iron Goat Trail and provides access to the trail from US Highway 2. Matching funds are available from the state. Forest Service has contributed \$30,000 in in-kind studies and planning process.

Total Project Costs

\$183,000

Request:

\$70,000

Recommended Award:

\$70,000



#### NOT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING:

MAPLE VALLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

PO Box 123

Maple Valley, WA 98038

Incorporated: 1982

1997 Operating Budget: \$14,075

REQUEST #1: \$109,500 REQUEST #2: \$90,902

Organization: The Society promotes the compilation of the history of the Maple Valley area and to collect and house writings, objects and artifacts that illustrate the natural features and development of the area. Offers monthly programs on such subjects as logging, mining, growth and development of Maple Valley.

Project: MVHS submitted applications for two distinct projects.

Request #1 is for funds to construct a new 3,300 square foot facility on the grounds of the Maple Valley Community Center.

Request #2 is to make repairs to the current Museum facility, which is on the third floor of a former school building owned by the Tohoma school district. The repairs include tuck pointing exterior masonry, replacing wood windows, insulating attic and walls.

Panel: The two applications seem to be in conflict. What is the organization's priority: building a new facility or improving the current facility? The current facility is owned by the Tahoma School District, which uses the lower two floors for offices and storage. Can the Museum be moved to the first floor and if so, would that address its visibility and access problems? Construction of a new facility just doesn't seem feasible at this time for this organization. No funds have been raised anywhere else. The application acknowledges that the new facility would result in maintenance, repair and utility costs that would need additional financial support. Where would it come from? The panel suggests that this organization is in need of some technical assistance to determine priorities and help devise a plan for meeting them.

2. <u>FOUNDATION FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION & ADAPTIVE REUSE</u> 8804 S 122nd Street REOUEST: \$23,535

Seattle, WA 98178

Incorporated: 1988

1997 Operating Budget: \$7,435

Organization: Promotes historic preservation and contemporary reuse of historic properties. Current emphasis is to coordinate efforts to provide a mobile exhibit to present Native American heritage programming at various community sites throughout the county.

Project: Create a mobile exhibit of native arts and crafts within a bus, comparable to a bookmobile.

Panel: This organization did not present its programmatic or financial information in a way that made its goals clear and feasible. In the last three years, its shows expenditures of \$150 on a total income of about \$14,000. Needs much organizational development before it will be a competitive grant seeker.

**REOUEST: \$8,000** 

REOUEST: \$103,326

3. NORDIC HERITAGE MUSEUM

3014 NW 67th St. Seattle, WA 98117 Incorporated: 1979

1996 Operating Budget: \$494,220

Organization: Highlights Nordic culture in the context of Pacific NW history, through exhibits, music and theatrical events.

Project: Purchase computer to keep track of inventory and expenses/income from the museum gift store.

Panel: This was presented as a necessity for the museum store. The Museum operates at a healthy cash surplus. Panel felt that this is an expense that should be covered by the Museum's operating surplus.

4. <u>CITY OF REDMOND</u>

PO Box 97010 Redmond, WA 98073 Incorporated: 1912 (city)

1997 Operating Budget: \$4,507,346 (city)

Organization: The City of Redmond supports policies that "preserve agricultural areas, open spaces, farm activities, valuable natural resources and historic buildings."

Project: Renovation of the Conrad Olson Barn, which was built in 1908 and purchased by the city in 1994. The City has completed a feasibility study for its restoration.

Panel: The panel had two major problems with this proposal: there was no other support for this project except from the city and county; and there didn't seem to be a clear cultural use for the barn. The application references permanent cultural and historic interpretive displays, but also mentions that the facility would be used primarily as a trail support facility. The application stated that the barn would be used for performances and classes (10% of its use). KCLHC supported this project two years ago (\$20,000) and that remains the only funds raised outside of the city. Th application included letters of support from possible user groups, but no single non-profit partner.

### 5. <u>CITY OF BLACK DIAMOND/BLACK DIAMOND HISTORICAL SOCIETY</u> REQUEST: \$18,000

PO Box 232 Black Diamond, WA 98010 Incorporated: 1976

1997 Operating Budget: \$10,036

Organization: Black Diamond Historical Society was founded in 1976 to celebrate the history of the Green River coal fields. Located in a city-owned National Register railroad depot in the historic district of Black Diamond.

Project: To replace the roofs of the PCCC Rail Road Depot, constructed in 1882, and three of the four outbuildings in the historic district.

Panel: The application stated that the Depot roof had been replaced in 1984. It was not threatened, but does need replacement at some point. None of the roofs appeared to be in such deteriorated condition to threaten the integrity of the structures. The Panel did support the other application from Black Diamond for the John Davies Candy Store project. They thought it made more sense

to make a major contribution to on project, and the Candy Store was of greater need and significance.

6. WING LUKE ASIAN MUSEUM

407 7th Avenue S Seattle, WA 98104 Incorporated: 1966

1997 Operating Budget: \$682,603

REQUEST: \$49,514

REOUEST: \$240,000

Organization: Preserves and presents the history, culture and art of Asian Pacific Americans. In 1995 and 1996 conducted 26 workshops on art and APA cultural traditions; presented 41 speakers in classrooms throughout the county; two teacher workshops on the International District as an educational resource; 9 public receptions; and 58 other programs (readings, film screenings, presentations, panels, and musical performances).

Project: Seeks funds to remodel a 500 square foot loft above current offices and purchase computers and printer for in-house publications and to accommodate increased staff, paid for by a NW Area Foundation grant.

Panel: Wing Luke is renovating the loft area in a space for which it has only a five year lease. It is looking to relocate to a larger museum in the next five to eight years, therefore the panel did not support the renovation component of the project. The Arts Commission awarded funds for the computer purchase.

7. SEATTLE CENTER FOUNDATION

305 Harrison Street Seattle, WA 98109 Incorporated: 1977

1997 Operating Budget: \$475,743

Organization: supports the vision of Seattle Center by advocating for public support and private funds for major capital and program improvements.

Project: Major renovation and reconstruction of the Flag Pavilion, built in 1962 and used by small arts and heritage organizations for annual festivals and special events.

Panel: The heritage organizations that use the Flag Pavilion are ethnic heritage organizations such as the Sundiata Cultural Association, Irish Heritage Club, Indian Youth Conference, Martin Luther King Day Celebration, Filipiniana, Chinese Arts and Cultural Association. Their focus, however, is not King County heritage, which is the focus of the Landmarks and Heritage Commission.

8. ISLAND LANDMARKS/VASHON PARKS DISTRICT REQUEST: \$20,800

PO Box 13112 Vashon, WA 98070 Incorporated: 1995

1997 Operating Budget: \$34,784

Organization: Island Landmarks preserves the historic architecture and landscape of Vashon and Maury Islands; main focus is on education. Sponsors a yearly lecture series; teaches a four week course at Vashon High School.

Project: Stabilize the north residence and the workshop of the Pt. Robinson Lighthouse station. The north residence needs paint to prevent deterioration of the siding; the workshop needs a new foundation roof, and paint to prevent further loss of historic fabric.

Panel: While the panel had little doubt that Pt. Robinson was a historic structure, it is not currently used as a cultural facility. Island Landmarks does not have site control; the structure is owned by the Coast Guard. The application states that Vashon Parks District hopes to acquire the site within two-three years. The improvements are intended to but time (2-3 years) while other issues (lease, use) are sorted out. Architectural feess are 26% of the project costs, very high.



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Cultural Facilities Program

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#### **Arts Facilities**

Add:	97 Adopted Technical Correction	1,181,466 168,558	
	96-97 Budget Reappropriation	4,684	
	Reprogrammed Grant	30,359	1,385,067
Less:	97 Awards	1,313,050	
	Emergency Grant-Proviso	50,000	
	Kirkland Arts-Proviso	10,000	
	Northshore Performing Arts-Proviso	10,000	1,383,050
	Balance		2,017
Heritage Facilities			
Add:	97 Adopted	432,339	
	Technical Correction	10,644	
	96-97 Budget Reappropriation	11,017	
	Reprogrammed Grant	47,500	501,500
Less:	97 Awards	480,400	480,400
	Balance		21,100