

Edmonton Arts Council Community Investment Program Festival Operating Grant Recommendations

Recommendation:

That Community Services Committee recommend to City Council:

That the recommendations as outlined in Attachment 1, of the April 11, 2011, Edmonton Arts Council report 2011EAC019, be approved.

Report Summary

A total of \$1,409,500 in Festival Operating Funding is recommended.

Report

- Applications were accepted at the Edmonton Arts Council up to 4:30 p.m. on November 1, 2010. Thirty-six eligible applications were received, one of which was subsequently withdrawn by the applicant.
- A Peer Jury was appointed in accordance with Bylaw 14157 - Community Investment Grant Bylaw and Policy C211.
- The Peer Jury considered the applications and made funding recommendations to the Edmonton Arts Council Board of Directors.
- The Edmonton Arts Council Board of Directors approved the recommendations at its, March 9, 2011, meeting.

- In accordance with Bylaw 14157 and Policy C211F, each applicant was notified of the Jury's grant recommendation and advised of the Edmonton Arts Council's appeals policies and procedures.
- One appeal was received. An appeal committee reviewed the merits of the appeal and recommended a change in the grant amount which is reflected in the attached recommendations.
- All 35 applicant Festivals are recommended for support, 28 of which will receive increased grants over last year.
- Grant amounts were held steady for applicants that were not strongly assessed in all the published merit criteria.
- Only one applicant is recommended to receive a grant lower than last year.

Justification of Recommendation

The recommendations are made in accordance with Bylaw 14157 and Policy C211F.

Attachments

1. 2011 Community Investment Program – Festival Operating grant recommendations
2. Community Investment Program Festival Operating Program Summary

Background Information Available on Request from the Department

1. Complete program guidelines