



REPORT TITLE : GRANT AID - ARTS 2013

Purpose of Report

1. The purpose of this report is to provide information to Members on the portfolio of arts grants recommended for awards from the Nottinghamshire Arts Fund. A summary of information on current Community Sports Fund applications and Rising Star applications is also provided, however, as both CSF and Rising Star applications are still being assessed by officers, a further report will be submitted for September 2013.

Background

2. The Nottinghamshire Arts Fund provides grants for between £500 and £2,500 to support arts activities that are led locally, deliver a range of outcomes and secure additional external partnership funding. The projects must be specific and time limited, ensuring that they do not become seen as revenue grants. The Nottinghamshire Arts Fund replaces several other larger grant schemes previously available. This report provides an update on awards from Round 1 of 2.
3. The Community Sports Fund (CSF) is a grant aid scheme aimed at helping local sports clubs and organisations, by supporting new projects that encourage additional people to get involved in sport. The maximum award is £1,500.
4. The aim of 'Rising Stars' is to support talented young sportsmen and women who are currently in full time education during the academic year 2013/14, and whose permanent home address is in Nottinghamshire. A maximum of £400 is awarded to individuals.

Nottinghamshire Arts Fund

5. To the end of Round 1 of 2 (round 1 closed to applications May 2013) the Arts Development Team received 10 applications with a total request of £19,260. There was £21,000 available to award in this round. The service recommended the award of 8 grants totalling £14,324. Please see table 1 below for more details of awards.

Applicant	Project Name	£ requested	amount of recommendation	Project details
Arnold Art Society	Arnold Art Society Autumn 2013	526.5	527	To support a programme of activities including art demonstrations and exhibitions
Extended Services - Redhill Family of Schools	Carnival Arts Summer Programme	2,347	2347	A summer holiday programme of workshops for young people leading to them forming a troupe as part of Nottingham Caribbean Carnival Parade
Friends Of Bridgford Park	Bridgford Park Storytelling Area	2,500	2500	A project using local sculptor Richard Janes, to design and install an outdoor storytelling area in Bridgford Park
Horton, Paul	The Feet of the Midlands exhibition.	700	700	A touring photographic exhibition and short series of digital photography workshops taking place in Nottinghamshire venues including some libraries
Hothouse Theatre	Gedling Film Festival	2,436	0	Working with young people to make a trailer for the proposed Gedling Film Festival
Kemp, Nikki	Wandering Dragon	2500	2500	To fully establish a gamelan (Javanese percussion) community band through additional practice and performance sessions
Lesurf, Cathy	The Ballad of Ephraim Flint	2500	2500	Developing with community members in W Bridgford, a special performance to commemorate the contribution of black service men. Performance during Black History month
Supporting Action for Eastwood (SAFE)	Eastwood Family of Schools Arts	2500	0	A schools project that culminates in the town carnival parade
Tales from the Riverbank	Tales from the Riverbank	2500	2500	A children's book festival aimed at young people and families and run by parents and residents of Lady Bay
Wynndale PTA	Drawing Tomorrow, Today!	750	750	Community drawing workshops in Mansfield linked to the National Campaign for Drawing's 'Big Draw' month
		19259.5	14323.5	

Community Sports Fund

7. The Community Sports Fund allocates £16,000 in grants over 2 rounds of funding. 54 applications were received from Community sports clubs and organisations requesting a total of £62,300. Officers are currently assessing applications and a report will be presented to the Grant Aid committee in September 2013

Rising Stars

8. The Rising Stars fund received 105 applications. Officers are currently testing eligibility and assessing these applications. A detailed report will be presented to Grant aid committee in September 2013.

Recommendation/s

9. It is recommended that Members note this report

Statutory and Policy Implications

10. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, equal opportunities, human resources, crime and disorder, human rights, the safeguarding of children, sustainability and the environment and those using the service and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

Constitutional Comments

The report is for information only the process followed for Sports & Arts grants was agreed and commented on when the three year grant aid strategy and budget was approved in January 2012.

Financial Comments

The report is for information only the budget allocation for Sports & Arts grants was agreed and commented on when the three year grant aid strategy and budget was approved in January 2012.

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All.