

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL

TO: MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS

SUBJECT: FESTIVAL BURNABY GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATIONS

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT Council approve the Festivals Burnaby grant recommendation, as outlined in this report.

REPORT**INTRODUCTION**

The Executive Committee of Council, at its meeting held on 2023 February 01, considered Festivals Burnaby grant applications from community groups organizing neighbourhood, small scale, and large scale festivals in Burnaby.

POLICY

The provision of Festivals Burnaby grants to community groups is aligned with the following Council-adopted policies, plans, and strategies: Burnaby Economic Development Strategy (2007); Social Sustainability Strategy (2011), and the Corporate Strategic Plan (2017) that identifies the importance of a sense of belonging, inclusion, and high quality of life.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Executive Committee of Council recommends the following Festival Burnaby grant for Council approval:

#23-N-001	Burnaby Neighbourhood House Society	\$4,000
	<i>Stride Burnaby Arts Festival</i>	

An application was received from Burnaby Neighbourhood House Society for their 2023 Stride Burnaby Arts Festival on 2023 February 3 – 12. The festival is a community-building arts and culture event happening over ten days in February. Some of the specific activities include art and poetry displays, pop up public art, workshops, music concerts, and arts presentations in local businesses, schools, and public facilities including the Shadbolt Centre for the Arts and libraries.

Request: \$4,000 History: 2019 - \$3,500
2018 - \$2,500
2017 - \$2,500

23-S-001 African Canadian Soccer and Cultural Association \$7,000
2023 African Soccer and Cultural Festival

An application was received from the African Canadian Soccer and Cultural Association for their 2023 African Soccer and Cultural Festival on 2023 August 12 – 13. The main objective of the annual festival is to showcase African culture through sports and cultural performances and activities promoting volunteerism and community engagement within the African community.

Request: \$10,000 History: 2022 - \$6,500
2019 - \$6,500
2018 - \$6,500

23-S-002 Vancouver Cantonese Opera \$4,500
2023 July 15 Legend of the Purple Hairpin Performance

An application was received from the Vancouver Cantonese Opera for their performance of “Legend of the Purple Hairpin: on 2023 July 15. The performance and workshop will offer people a chance to gain in-depth experience and appreciation of this art form while demystifying many aspects of the Chinese Canadian culture. The performance will take place at Michael J. Fox Theatre, 7373 MacPherson Avenue, Burnaby.

Request: \$5,000 History: 2016 - \$3,500
2015 - \$3,500
2014 - \$5,000

23-L-001 Scandinavian Community Centre \$9,000
2023 Scandinavian Midsummer Festival

An application was received from the Scandinavian Community Centre Society for their 2023 Scandinavian Midsummer Festival taking place on 2023 June 24 – 25. The annual two-day festival celebrates the Swedish, Norwegian, Finnish, Icelandic, and Danish cultures with a program showcasing cultural song/dance, entertainment, food and events for kids and families. The event will take place at the Scandinavian Community Centre located at 6540 Thomas Street, Burnaby.

Request: \$10,000 History: 2022 - \$8,000
2019 - \$8,000
2018 - \$6,000

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23-L-002 Chinese Taoism Kuan-Kung Association \$8,000
2023 TJ Fest May 6-7

An application was received from the Chinese Taoism Kuan-Kung Association in Canada for their 2023 TJ Fest taking place on 2023 May 6 – 7. The two-day festival celebrates cultural diversity and inclusivity and features performances from local Asian artists, hand-made products from local businesses, authentic street food from Asia, as well as activities and games for families. The festival will take place at Tian Jin Temple, located at 3426 Smith Avenue, Burnaby.

Request: \$14,850

History: 2022 - \$4,000
2018 - \$3,000
2017 - \$3,000

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor S. Dhaliwal
Chair

Councillor R. Lee
Vice Chair

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