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### **METRO VANCOUVER AWARDS 2019 REGIONAL CULTURE PROJECT GRANTS**

Metro Vancouver is pleased to announce the award of \$130,000 in Regional Culture Project Grants this year to 29 arts and culture organizations across the region.

Through its annual program, Metro Vancouver helps organizations research and produce new cultural programs, reach new audiences, and cover project staffing and administrative needs, up to a maximum of \$10,000 per project grant.

“The adjudication process is always challenging, and this year was no exception as the calibre of applications was very high,” said Brenda Locke, Chair of the Regional Cultural Committee and Councillor from the City of Surrey. “It is gratifying to see the results of our support and I hope Metro Vancouver residents will have an opportunity to attend some of the performances we have supported.”

Grant recipients represent the cultural mosaic of the region, showcasing creativity across a broad range of disciplines, providing access for all abilities, supporting vulnerable youth and funding programs for those who need financial assistance.

#### **2019 Grant Recipients:**

ArtsCan Resource Network	\$5,000
B.C. Photography and Media Arts Society (The Polygon Gallery)	\$5,000
B.C. Youth Music Society (Richmond Delta Youth Orchestra)	\$3,000
Canadian International Dragon Boat Festival Society	\$5,000
Coquitlam Place des Arts Society	\$8,000
Curiosity Collider Art-Science Foundation	\$5,000
Dancers of Damelahamid	\$5,000
DreamRider Productions Society	\$5,000
Early Music Vancouver	\$2,500
East Vancouver Community Music School Society	\$1,000

Foolish Operations Society	\$1,500
Fort Gallery	\$5,000
Langley Ukulele Association	\$5,000
MACHiNENOiSY Dance Society	\$5,000
New Performance Works Society	\$5,000
Nikkei National Museum & Cultural Centre	\$5,000
OCW Arts & Publishing Foundation	\$5,000
Peninsula Productions Society	\$5,000
Pink Ink Theatre	\$5,000
Pitt Meadows Heritage and Museum Society	\$2,000
Richmond Music School Society	\$5,000
Roedde House Preservation Society	\$2,000
Royal Academy of Bhangra Society	\$5,000
Some Assembly Arts Society	\$8,000
South Granville Seniors Friendship Centre Society	\$5,000
Uzume Taiko Drum Group Society	\$5,000
Vancouver Metropolitan Orchestra Society	\$5,000
Vancouver Opera Association	\$4,000
Vancouver Poetry House	\$3,000
	\$130,000

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Metro Vancouver is a federation of 21 municipalities, one Electoral Area and one Treaty First Nation that collaboratively plans for and delivers regional-scale services. Its core services are drinking water, wastewater treatment and solid waste management. Metro Vancouver also regulates air quality, plans for urban growth, manages a regional parks system and provides affordable housing. The regional district is governed by a Board of Directors of elected officials from each local authority.