

FY 2020 Community Cultural Connections Grant Recipients

as of October 2019

Center for Mindful Living to support Paths to Peace, an event promoting discovering peace and mindfulness in its many forms, including through visual arts and dance.

Chattanooga Sound Project to fund a concert series consisting of four concerts, two in the fall of 2019 and two in the spring of 2020, featuring internationally renowned musicians James Hall, flute, and Susie Maddocks, piano.

Chattanooga Writers' Guild to present the Chattanooga Readers and Writers Fair at the downtown Chattanooga Public Library, with a theme of "A celebration of all things literary, for and by the entire community."

Epilepsy Foundation of Southeast Tennessee to fund Studio E, a multi-week art program that gives children ages 6 – 17 with epilepsy and seizure disorders the opportunity to creatively express themselves through art, as well as build a community of support among their peers.

Glass House Collective to support the Glass Street LIVE block party, featuring spoken word artist Erika Roberts, musician Anthony Wiley, and dancers from The Pop-up Project teaming up to create and perform a piece that celebrates the history of Glass Street and reminds audiences of the beauty and potential of this community.

Lincoln Park Neighborhood Association to fund the Lincoln Park Family Festival, a neighborhood community event featuring performances by local dancers and musicians as well as a showcase of local youth artists.

The Pop-up Project to direct and produce a site-specific performance film featuring Ballet Tennessee dancers, local musicians, a cinematographer, spoken word artist, and editors focusing on stories from "The Big Nine" that have been archived by the Bessie Smith Cultural Center.

Resilient Documentary Project to produce one short documentary about the impact that music education is having in the East Lake community, which will feature an adolescent Latino from the East Lake Expression Engine program. The film will highlight the grit and resilience that music education is sparking in East Lake youth and how this learning experience is empowering them to manage their own life's adversities.

Scenic City Clay Arts to support the Empty Bowls initiative, a community engagement project that includes a series of events in the Chattanooga area to create handmade ceramics bowls. Final bowls will be sold with a majority of revenue donated to Family Promise, an organization that helps families transition out of homelessness.

Young Ladies of Power to support the *9th Street Black Heritage Festival* with local talent, poetry, music and testimonies from residents who have live the area history and can tell it.