## **Community Cultural Connections Grants**

In response to *Imagine Chattanooga 20/20*, ArtsBuild implemented a program which makes arts and culture more accessible to underserved populations, inclusive of geographic area, ethnicity, age and individuals with disabilities.

The Diversity section of *Imagine Chattanooga 20/20* suggests the following goal:

"To ensure that neighborhoods and underserved communities are better served, a special neighborhood arts and culture program should be developed that provides small grants for neighborhood and community cultural initiatives."

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## FY 2017 Community Cultural Connections Grant Recipients

**800 Collective** for workshops led by Josiah Golson at the Chattanooga Public Library for teens to explore social issues through art activities.

**ARC Support** for artist residency program.

**Burnin' Bridges** for support of a new mural festival led by the artist SEVEN to be held at the Chattanooga Choo-Choo.

**Chattanooga Bach Choir** for educational support for Elijah concert.

**Chattanooga Chinese Association** for dragon costumes for the Chinese Dancing Group.

**Chattanooga Film Festival** for support of a workshop by Joe Bob Briggs examining the history of film in Tennessee.

**Chattanooga State Community College** to support performers at Latino Fest.

**Chattanooga Therapeutic Services** to support Expressions: Theatrical Camp for Teens with Special needs.

**Culture Fest** to support African and Mexican performing artists at Culture Fest.

**Family Promise** for art therapy workshops offered for homeless families led by Brooke Montague.

**Friends of Chattanooga Public Library** to support The MANIFEST film and Workshop Series for teens led by artist Christian Collier.

**GlassHouse Collective** for support of mural artists at Glass Street Live block party.

**Grassroots midTown** for support of arts activities for El Mercado Latino American market at MidTown Celebrates Fall Festival.

green|spaces to support Pool - Lighting the Path Project.

**Guitar Chattanooga** for support of a concert by French guitarist Judicael Perroy at Chattanooga State in March.

**Hamilton Sings!** to support a community concert by fifth grade students from HCDE schools.

**HCDE Community Art Workshop** for support of a workshop by arts educator John Smolko for HCDE visual artists and community artists.

**Hope for the Inner City** to provide job training in silk screening techniques.

**Independent Youth Services** for visual art classes offered by Charlie Newton and SPLASH for inner-City youth summer camp.

**River City Sessions** to support showcases of local and regional musicians, poets, storytellers through live events and a monthly radio show on WUTC.

**Scenic City Opera** to support of the opera production of *der Vampyr*.

**SoundCorps** to support buskers throughout Chattanooga.

**SPLASH** for workshops for youth that live primarily within Chattanooga's Westside.

**St. Marks UMC** to support Faithmarks projects combining tattoo art and religious symbols.

**Unity Performing Arts** for an after-school arts program for inner city youth.

**Urban League** for youth workshops led by Charlie Newton and SPLASH.

**Young Gifted and Black** to support monthly high school/young adult led performances at Mercy Junction.

