



March 12, 2008

Mayor Sharon Shepherd
City of Kelowna
1435 Water Street
Kelowna, British Columbia
V1Y 1J4

Dear Mayor Shepherd:

Re: City of Kelowna Arts Foundation Grant Request

The Board of the City of Kelowna Arts Foundation met on Tuesday, March 11, 2008 to review funding applications submitted by local non-profit volunteer cultural groups. The following recommendation for funding is respectfully presented to you and City Council for consideration and approval:

Chamber Music Kelowna Society	\$ 5000.
Cool Arts Society	\$ 4000.
Kelowna City Concert Band Society	\$ 5000.
Kelowna Sculptors Network Society	\$ 4000.
Kiwanis Music Festival Society of Kelowna	\$ 7500.
Livessence Society for Figurative Artists and Models	\$ 2000.
Okanagan Choral Society	
Okanagan Festival Singers Association	\$ 1100.
Okanagan Film Festival Society	\$ 6500.
Okanagan Jazz & Blues Society	\$ 5047.
Okanagan Society of Independent Film Making	\$ 2000.
Ponderosa Spinners, Weavers & Fibre Artists Guild	\$ 1000.
Viva Musica Society	\$29000.
Total	\$77147.

We are also requesting that \$2853 be allocated to Foundation operating costs.

The Foundation's eleven current members contributed approximately 670 volunteer hours to ensure the Foundation operates in a cost-effective manner. Operating costs have

averaged approximately \$2200 for each of the past 3 years (an average of less than 2.3% of our funds). This is the first year in the past three that operating funds have been requested from our City funding; the Foundation has been utilizing funds accumulated from funding received 3 years ago and from a refund received from an organization that ceased operations. The Foundation intends to continue operating prudently.

Operating costs will also include costs to facilitate an education session as an adjunct to our yearly grant information session, which we present to potential applicants. This education component which would focus on assisting non-profit cultural groups to attain self sufficiency.

In regard to our applicants, it should be noted that one group is a new applicant. Further, at our last grant information session, two groups indicated that they were acquiring non-profit status so they would be in a position to apply for funding next year. Two previously funded groups did not apply this year. We understand both intend to apply next year.

It should be noted that, after due consideration, the Board denied the application from the BC Old Time Fiddlers' Association (Kelowna) Branch 7.

I will be pleased to discuss any queries or concerns you and City Council may have with respect to these recommendations. I can be reached at 769-3810.

Yours truly,



Marion Ashby
President

Cc:

Councillor Andre Blanleil
Councillor Barrie Clark
Councillor Colin Day
Councillor Brian Given
Councillor Carol Gran
Councillor Robert Hobson
Councillor Norm Letnick
Councillor Michele Rule

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CITY OF KELOWNA ARTS FOUNDATION

2008 GRANT APPLICATIONS

Applicant	Request	Recommended
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BC Old Times Fiddlers' Association (Kelowna) Branch 7	\$3550.	Denied
Grant Requests	\$109147.	
City of Kelowna Grant Approval Request		\$77147.
CKAF Operating Costs Request		\$ 2853.
TOTAL DISBURSEMENT		\$80000.

Total Requested by Applicants \$107147.00

Total Recommended \$ 77147.00

CKAF Operating Costs \$ 2853.00

Not Recommended for Funding:

BC Oldtime Fiddlers' Association (Kelowna) Branch 7

Organization failed to meet grant eligibility. Application did not include required information to allow Foundation to make an informed decision.