

April 28, 2026 (Community Investments Committee)



City and County of San Francisco

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Agenda for Community Investments Committee, April 28, 2026



Community Investments Committee Commissioners:

- Janine Shiota, Chair; Seth Brenzel; Suzie Ferras; Nabil Musleh; Marcus Shelby; Debra Walker

Date and Time

Tuesday, April 28, 2026

1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Location

City Hall, Room 416,
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place.

Members of the committee will attend this meeting in-person at the location listed above. Members of the public are invited to observe the meeting in person at the physical meeting location listed above or remotely online. Members of the public attending the meeting in-person will have an

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opportunity to provide up to three minutes of public comment on every agenda item.

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Agenda items

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, Agenda Changes, Land Acknowledgment

1. Call to order
2. Roll call / Confirmation of quorum
3. Agenda Changes
4. Ramaytush Ohlone Land Acknowledgement

The San Francisco Arts Commission acknowledges that we are on the unceded ancestral homeland of the Ramaytush Ohlone who are the original inhabitants of the San Francisco Peninsula. As the indigenous stewards of this land and in accordance with their traditions, the Ramaytush Ohlone have never ceded, lost nor forgotten their responsibilities as the caretakers of this place, as well as for all peoples who reside in their traditional territory. As guests, we recognize that we benefit from living and working on their traditional homeland. We wish to pay our respects by acknowledging the ancestors, elders and relatives of the Ramaytush Community and by affirming their sovereign rights as First Peoples. As a department dedicated to promoting a diverse and equitable Arts and Culture environment in San Francisco, we are committed to supporting the traditional and contemporary evolution of the American Indian community.

2. General Public Comment

Discussion

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(This item is to allow members of the public to comment generally on matters within the Commission's purview as well as to suggest new agenda items for the Commission's consideration.)

3. Community Investments Grant Program Overview

Discussion

Discussion on the overview of the Community Investments Grant Program.

Staff Presenter: Director of Community Investments, Denise Pate
Senior Program Officers, Anne Trickey, Jonell Molina
Program Officers, Jennifer Atwood, Jennifer Chu

Presentation time: Approximately 15 minutes

4. FY26 Funding Recommendations

Discussion and Possible Action

Staff Presenter: Senior Program Officer, Anne Trickey
Program Officers, Jennifer Chu, Jennifer Atwood

Presentation time: Approximately 20 minutes

Explanatory Document: [FY26 Funding Recommendations](#)

1) Discussion and possible action to approve the funding recommendations of the Artistic Legacy Grant (ALG) panel, to award two grants totaling \$200,000 to the following individuals, and to authorize the Director of Cultural Affairs to enter into grant agreements not to exceed the following at this time:

1. Madeleine Lim, \$100,000
2. Michael Jang, \$100,000*

(* indicates new grantee)

2) Discussion and possible action to approve the funding recommendations of the Arts Impact Endowment Artist Panels for all three funding channels: Channel 1 - Sustaining Ongoing Initiatives – General Support 1: Ongoing Work, Channel 2 - Resilience & Growth – General Support 2: Growth & Planning, and Channel 3 - New Creative Opportunities – Project Support; to award fifty-nine (59) grants totaling \$2,895,268, in accordance with the priorities outlined in the Community Services Allocation Plan; and to authorize the Director of Cultural Affairs to enter into grant agreements with each individual or their fiscal sponsor for amounts not to exceed the following at this time:

1. Alleluia Panis, \$50,000
2. Amal Bisharat, \$50,000
3. Amihan, \$50,000 (Fiscal Sponsor: Filipino-American Development Foundation)
4. Amy Grace Lam, \$50,000
5. Andrea Nicolette Gonzales, \$50,000
6. Anita W. Chang, \$50,000
7. Anne Bluethenthal, \$50,000
8. Anthony Jimenez , \$50,000
9. Ari Salim Marcus, \$50,000*
10. Ariel Mihic, \$50,000
11. Benni Baker, \$50,000*
12. Betsy Tsai, \$46,310*
13. Cesar Cadabes, \$50,000
14. Cheryl P. Derricotte, \$50,000
15. Christina Li, \$50,000*
16. Cia Lu, \$41,030
17. Claudia Andrea Escobar, \$50,000
18. Cornelius O, \$50,000 (Fiscal Sponsor: Counterpulse)
19. David Tim, \$37,000*
20. Gina Mariko, \$50,000*
21. Idris Ackamoor, \$50,000
22. Javier Roberto Carlos, \$50,000
23. Joanne Kreiter, \$50,000
24. John Walter Calloway, \$50,000 (Fiscal Sponsor: Kulintang Arts, Inc.)

25. Joshua Chuck, \$50,000* (Fiscal Sponsor: Community Youth Center of San Francisco)
26. Jubilee, \$50,000*
27. Kathryn Vercillo, \$50,000*
28. Keli Dailey, \$50,000
29. Lena Lee, \$50,000*
30. Leticia Hernández-Linares, \$50,000
31. Lyam J Bewry, \$39,000*
32. M Eilo, \$50,000* (Fiscal Sponsor: Intersection for the Arts)
33. Marcella Elizabeth Sanchez, \$50,000
34. Maria Silk, \$50,000 (Fiscal Sponsor: Jess CurtisGravity Inc.)
35. Mattie Loyce, \$50,000*
36. Maya Cameron-Gordon, \$43,425*
37. Maya Fuji, \$50,000
38. Nina Limón, \$50,000 (Fiscal Sponsor: Independent Arts & Media)
39. Parya Saberi, \$50,000
40. Rhiannon Evans MacFadyen, \$50,000*
41. Richard A. Mosqueda, \$50,000*
42. Roisin Isner, \$47,853*
43. Rose Damato, \$44,400*
44. Samantha Berlanga, \$50,000* (Fiscal Sponsor: Bay Area Video Coalition Inc.)
45. SAMI SEE, \$50,000
46. Samina Ali, \$50,000*
47. Shawna Virago, \$50,000
48. Shrey Purohit, \$50,000*
49. Snik, \$50,000*
50. Stephanie Ann Sherman, \$50,000
51. Susannah H Smith, \$50,000
52. Takeshi Moro, \$50,000
53. Tania Santiago, \$50,000
54. Taraneh Hemami, \$50,000
55. Therese Davis, \$50,000
56. Virgie Tovar, \$46,250
57. Wailana Simcock, \$50,000*
58. William Underwood III, \$50,000

59. Xahej, \$50,000*

(* indicates new grantee)

3) Discussion and possible action to approve the funding recommendations of the Arts Impact Endowment Organization Panels for all three funding channels: Channel 1 - Sustaining Ongoing Initiatives – General Support 1: Ongoing Work, Channel 2 - Resilience & Growth – General Support 2: Growth & Planning, and Channel 3 - New Creative Opportunities – Project Support; to award forty-nine (49) grants totaling \$4,225,000, in accordance with the priorities outlined in the Community Services Allocation Plan; and to authorize the Director of Cultural Affairs to enter into grant agreements with each organization or their fiscal sponsor for amounts not to exceed the following at this time:

1. Arenas Dance Company, \$100,000 (Fiscal Sponsor: Dancers Group)
2. Arts Education Alliance of the Bay Area, \$100,000 (Fiscal Sponsor: Intersection for the Arts)
3. Artspan, \$100,000
4. Asian American Women Artists Association Inc., \$100,000
5. Bayview Hunters Point Center for Arts and Technology, \$100,000
6. Bernal Heights Outdoor Cinema, \$100,000 (Fiscal Sponsor: Independent Arts & Media)
7. BIPOC Acro Collective Care Ecosystem, \$75,000* (Fiscal Sponsor: Independent Arts & Media)
8. Black & White Projects, \$75,000* (Fiscal Sponsor: Independent Arts & Media)
9. Bridge Live Arts, \$100,000
10. Canyon Cinema Foundation, \$100,000*
11. Chinese Historical Society of America, \$50,000
12. Counterpulse, \$100,000
13. Crowded Fire Theater Company, \$100,000
14. Detour Productions, \$100,000

15. Diamond Wave, \$75,000 (Fiscal Sponsor: Independent Arts & Media)
16. Duniya Dance and Drum Company, \$100,000 (Fiscal Sponsor: Dancers Group)
17. Emerging Arts Professionals San Francisco Bay Area, \$100,000 (Fiscal Sponsor: Independent Arts & Media)
18. Eugenie Chan Theater Projects, \$50,000 (Fiscal Sponsor: Intersection for the Arts)
19. Femme Rage, \$50,000* (Fiscal Sponsor: The African American Art and Culture Complex)
20. Filmmakers Collaborative Inc., \$100,000*
21. Friends of Scrap, Inc., \$100,000
22. Honey Art Studio, \$50,000 (Fiscal Sponsor: Independent Arts & Media)
23. Intersection for the Arts, \$100,000
24. jhn//hands&feet, \$50,000* (Fiscal Sponsor: Asian Pacific Islander Cultural Center)
25. Lyrical Opposition, \$100,000
26. Manilatown Heritage Foundation, \$100,000
27. Movement, \$50,000* (Fiscal Sponsor: Intersection for the Arts)
28. NA Lei Hulu I Ka Wekiu Hula Halau, \$100,000
29. NAKA Dance Theater, \$100,000 (Fiscal Sponsor: Dancers Group)
30. Nava Dance Theatre, \$50,000
31. OX, \$50,000 (Fiscal Sponsor: Counterpulse)
32. Queer Women of Color Media Arts Project, \$100,000
33. Rawdance, \$100,000
34. San Francisco African American Arts and Cultural District, \$100,000*
35. San Francisco Bay Area Theatre Company, \$100,000
36. San Francisco Children's Art Center, \$100,000
37. San Francisco Creative Writing Institute, \$50,000* (Fiscal Sponsor: Counterpulse)
38. San Francisco Filipino Cultural Center, \$100,000*
39. San Francisco International Arts Festival, Inc., \$100,000
40. Sew Productions, Inc., \$50,000
41. Shipyard Trust for the Arts, \$100,000

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42. Tableau Stations, \$50,000*(Fiscal Sponsor: Intersection for the Arts)
43. The Great Star Theater, \$100,000*
44. Una Inc., \$100,000*
45. Voice of Witness, \$50,000
46. Womens Audio Mission, \$100,000
47. World Arts West, \$100,000
48. Writers Grotto, \$100,000*
49. Yerba Buena Arts and Events, \$100,000

(* indicates new grantee)

5. Community Investments Cultural Center Program Overview

Discussion

Discussion on the overview of the Community Investments Cultural Center Program.

Staff Presenter: Director of Community Investments, Denise Pate
Capital Project Manager, George Lee
Senior Program Officer, Jonell Molina
Program Officer, Coco Duhon-Kelley

Presentation time: Approximately 20 minutes

6. Mission Cultural Center for Latino Arts Novation Agreements

Discussion and Possible Action

Staff Presenter: Director of Community Investments, Denise Pate

Presentation time: Approximately 5 minutes

1. Discussion and possible action to approve a novation agreement for grant 23SPX08 between the San Francisco Arts Commission, Mission

Cultural Center for Latino Arts (MCCLA), and San Francisco Study Center Inc. (SF Study Center), whereby SF Study Center would agree to assume grant 23SPX08 related to the preparation and planning for storage of MCCLA's archives and to serve as fiscal sponsor to MCCLA; grant 23SPX08 has \$85,000 remaining in grant funds; original grant amount was \$340,000.

2. Discussion and possible action to approve a novation agreement for grant 24SPX07 between the San Francisco Arts Commission, Mission Cultural Center for Latino Arts (MCCLA), and San Francisco Study Center Inc. (SF Study Center), whereby SF Study Center would agree to assume grant 24SPX07 related to the relocation and storage of MCCLA's archives and to serve as fiscal sponsor to MCCLA; grant 24SPX07 has \$37,500 remaining in grant funds; original grant amount was \$150,000.

7. Staff Report

Discussion

Discussion of the Community Investments Staff Report.

Staff Presenter: Director of Community Investments, Denise Pate

Presentation time: Approximately 5 minutes

8. New Business and Announcements

Discussion

(This item is to allow the Commissioners to introduce without discussion new agenda items for consideration, to report on recent arts activities and to make

announcements in accordance with [Prop D.](#))

9. Adjournment

Action

Agenda posted 4/23/2026, 4:00 pm, JB

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Sa mga ganitong uri ng kahilingan, mangyari po lamang makipag ugnayan kay Program Associate Natalia Perez sa 415-252-2240, sfac.grants@sfgov.org. Magbigay po lamang ng hindi bababa sa 48 oras na abiso bago ng miting. Kung maari, ang mga late na hiling ay posibleng tanggapin. Ang silid ng pagpupulungan ay accessible sa mga naka wheelchair.

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- 3) Other explanatory documents.

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2. Public comment will be taken before or during the Committee's consideration of each agenda item. Each speaker will be allowed to speak for the time allotted by the Chair at the top of the meeting or up to three (3) minutes.

3. During General Public Comment, members of the public may address the Commissioners on matters that are within the Arts Commission's jurisdiction and are not on the agenda.

4. Persons who spoke during the public comment period at a meeting of the Arts Commission may supply a brief written summary of the comments to be included in the minutes if it is 150 words or less. The Arts Commission may reject the summary if it exceeds the prescribed word limit or is not an accurate summary of the speaker's public comment.

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