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FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENT: AcA awards \$17K in grants for arts projects and operating support in partnership with Lafayette Consolidated Government.

LAFAYETTE, LA - Acadiana Center for the Arts (AcA) and Lafayette Consolidated Government (LCG) have approved funding for four project grants and eight operating grants in Lafayette, totalling \$17,366.

Every year since 1988, AcA has administered this program, soliciting proposals from local nonprofit organizations and recommending available funding for projects and organizations through an independent panel of local experts. LCG sets the amount of funding available during its annual budgeting process.

Funded projects in this round include **Southern Screen Festival** in November, **Black History Month and Pride Month** programming by Citè des Arts, **Culture Days** at Vermilionville, and a return of **Window Wonderland**, brought to you by Basin Arts this holiday season.

Additional grants for general operating support have been awarded to **Asociacion Cultural Latino-Acadiana**, **Basin Arts**, **Children's Museum of Acadiana**, **Louisiana Folk Roots**, **Louisiana Crafts Guild**, **Southern Screen**, **Performing Arts Serving Acadiana**, and **Vermilionville Living History Museum Foundation**.

The Arts and Culture Funding Program supports arts projects and the operations of arts and culture organizations that will significantly enhance the arts and cultural life of the community, while promoting local artists and the arts in the City of Lafayette. This program is funded by Lafayette Consolidated Government and administered by Acadiana Center for the Arts.

AcA Executive Director Samuel Oliver said, "We congratulate all of the recipients of this grant round and thank the Lafayette City Council for their continued support of arts and cultural organizations in the City of Lafayette."

Find out more about funding and artist opportunities on AcA's website at https://acadianacenterforthearts.org/community/

About AcA

As the community leader in arts and culture, the Acadiana Center for the Arts (AcA) serves to bring elevating arts experiences to the people of Acadiana through many approaches including holding public concerts, presenting art exhibitions, providing grants to artists and cultural organizations, and bringing artists into schools across the region. AcA brings equitable access to the arts through year-round education and outreach activities and aims to build a more sustainable cultural ecosystem for future generations in Acadiana.