

Top 50 Recipients of Foundation Grants for Performing Arts, circa 2008

Recipient Organization	State/Country	Dollar Amount	No. of Grants
1 Kauffman Center for the Performing Arts	MO	\$144,610,443	63
2 Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts	NY	28,715,917	83
3 Murray Arts Center Foundation	GA	15,189,798	1
4 Metropolitan Opera Association	NY	14,563,167	46
5 Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts	PA	12,576,042	17
6 Dallas Center for the Performing Arts Foundation	TX	10,712,395	20
7 Las Vegas Performing Arts Center Foundation	NV	9,325,000	3
8 Metropolitan Opera	NY	9,007,067	37
9 Omaha Theater Company for Young People	NE	7,706,204	7
10 Brooklyn Academy of Music	NY	7,545,500	35
11 San Francisco Symphony	CA	7,406,945	49
12 Philharmonic-Symphony Society of New York	NY	7,251,163	43
13 Texas State University	TX	7,015,000	2
14 Houston Grand Opera Association	TX	6,983,925	14
15 Performing Arts Center Eastside	WA	6,260,000	3
16 New York City Opera	NY	6,110,000	26
17 Jazz at Lincoln Center	NY	5,993,500	35
18 New Jersey Performing Arts Center	NJ	5,974,000	28
19 Washington Opera	DC	5,171,800	12
20 Greater Austin Performing Arts Center	TX	5,080,000	4
21 Elaine Kaufman Cultural Center	NY	5,048,636	12
22 Colorado Symphony Association	CO	4,957,935	12
23 Kansas City Symphony	MO	4,867,503	41
24 Omaha Performing Arts Society	NE	4,478,000	16
25 New York City Ballet	NY	4,416,990	33
26 Detroit Symphony Orchestra	MI	4,408,126	24
27 National Performance Network	LA	4,402,186	7
28 Alley Theater	TX	4,284,820	12
29 Colburn School of the Performing Arts	CA	4,220,000	2
30 Francis Marion University	SC	4,125,000	1
31 Academy of Music of Philadelphia	PA	3,960,000	6
32 Ordway Center for the Performing Arts	MN	3,734,986	24
33 Joffrey Ballet	IL	3,625,000	15
34 Minnesota Opera	MN	3,534,726	35
35 Indiana Repertory Theater	IN	3,435,000	5
36 Lincoln Center Theater	NY	3,217,500	23
37 Meet the Composer	NY	3,217,500	9
38 John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts	DC	3,200,977	46
39 Chicago Symphony Orchestra	IL	3,050,720	32
40 Playwrights Horizons	NY	3,030,000	10
41 Pittsburgh Opera	PA	3,005,000	15
42 Chamber Music America	NY	2,925,000	5
43 Virginia Performing Arts Foundation	VA	2,889,000	10
44 San Francisco Opera Association	CA	2,840,100	19
45 Houston Symphony Society	TX	2,819,550	18
46 San Francisco Opera	CA	2,817,000	21
47 Carnegie Hall Corporation	NY	2,802,833	16
48 Big Thought	TX	2,775,921	15
49 Minnesota Orchestral Association	MN	2,764,613	34
50 Mississippi State University	MS	2,761,686	1
Total		\$430,814,174	1,047

Source: The Foundation Center, 2010. Based on all grants of \$10,000 or more awarded by a national sample of 1,490 larger U.S. foundations (including 800 of the 1,000 largest ranked by total giving). For community foundations, only discretionary grants are included. Grants to individuals are not included in the file. The search set includes all grants to recipient organizations classified in this topic area and grants to other recipient types for activities classified in this topic area. Grants may therefore be included in more than one topic table, e.g., a grant to a university for its arts program is included in Education, Higher Education, and Arts.

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