

CITY OF DANBURY CULTURAL COMMISSION

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MINUTES OF MAY 24, 2010

Present: H. Bechard, H. Center, J. Cherry, B. DaSilva, B. Feinson, M. Schwartz, G. Smith

Minutes of April meeting were accepted.

1. **Harambee**, Bill Curtis, requested a grant of \$2,500 to continue their fine arts programs of visual arts, dance and music as well as poetry and writing and other workshops. They hope to add computer workshops and to present projects to provide a variety of cultural experiences and improve and increase the skills already acquired..

2. **City Center**, Andrea Gartner, requested \$5,000 for Concerts on the Green beginning with the June 10 Danbury Symphony Orchestra concert. They are adding a new program involving not for profit groups such as a Mental Health group to co-host an evening on the green. Programs will include a variety of musical and tribute groups, acts and activities for youths and adults. They expect increased attendance due to the economy.

3. **Museum on the Streets**, Kay Schreiber and A. Gartner presented a project of podium, museum quality panels to commemorate Danbury's 325<sup>th</sup> anniversary. They requested \$1,250 for a panel which would celebrate some part of Danbury's history in a series of permanent historic panels which would span the length of Main Street.

4. **Danbury Library**, Mark Hasskarl, requested a \$1,000 grant for Friends of the Library to continue their project of One Book, One Community. This year's book "The Things They Carried" by Tim O'Brien will feature a variety of programs, book discussions, movies, veterans panels and an appearance by the author. It will involve the community as well as schools and will foster a sense of community via readings of one book.

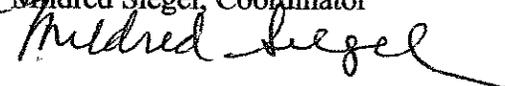
**DCC Sponsored Events:** Reports were made on **Richter** Big Band Concert: good job, wonderful music by B. DaSilva. Palace Theatre stage **Repertory Theatre**: professional job, good new group: B. DaSilva. **Danbury Concert Assoc.** Gelatto group: played well and were entertaining: H. Center. **Danbury Music Center's** choral concert was very good.

**Action Taken: Harambee:** H. Center moved we grant \$2,250; B. Feinson seconded motion which was passed, J. Cherry abstained. **City Center:** H. Bechard moved we grant \$4,000; G. Smith seconded motion which was passed. **Danbury Library:** H. Center moved we grant \$1,000 M. Schwartz seconded motion which was passed. B. Feinson abstained. **Museum in the Streets Project:** G. Smith moved we grant \$1,250; M. Schwartz seconded motion which was passed. It was voted to have a Charles Ives podium.

Additional grants: **Musicals at Richter:** B. Feinson moved we grant \$2,000; J. Cherry seconded. Motion passed. **Danbury Music Centre:** H. Center moved we grant \$750, H. Bechard seconded motion which was passed with J. Cherry abstaining.

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