



## Salem Cultural Council names new grant recipients

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Salem - The Salem Cultural Council (SCC) this week announced the awarding of grants totaling almost, \$12,550 to 18 local artists, schools and cultural organizations. The grants were awarded from a pool of funds distributed to Salem by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency that supports public programs and educational activities in the arts, sciences and humanities.

Awardees for 2010 are:

Boston Artists Ensemble, PEM Concert, \$250

North Shore Concert Bands, Summer Concerts, \$1,000

Paula Beaulieu, Watercolor Workshops, \$300

Salem Philharmonic, Concert Series, \$2,000

Jennifer Strom, Period Music, \$500

Paul Van Ness, Salem Film Festival, \$900

Christopher Dowgin, A Walk Through Salem, \$500

Salem Main Streets, Salem Arts Festival, \$1,000

Paul Madore Chorale, A Concert of Thanksgiving, \$300

Karen Glickman, How to Sign, Hungry Caterpillar, \$300

Matt Caruso, Salem Jazz & Soul Festival, \$1,000

James Dalton, Parlor Lyceum, \$900

Rockport Music, Percussion Residency at Salem High School, \$250

Salem Theater Company, Festival of Plays, \$1,000

Salem Athenaeum, Celebrating 200 years, \$500

Art Throb, Best of Art Throb, \$750

Salem Literary Festival, Cornerstone Books, \$600

Symphony by the Sea, Youth Orchestra, \$500

The SCC is one of 335 local councils that serve every city and town in the state. The state Legislature provides an annual appropriation to the Massachusetts Cultural Council, which then allocates funds to each local council. Decisions about which activities to support are made at the community level by the local Salem council.

“Like other cultural councils across the state our funding was reduced this year,” said Gerald Ryan, Salem Cultural

Council co-chairman. “Still, we are grateful to the governor and the Legislature for their continued recognition of the importance of funding art and cultural projects during these difficult times.”

The members of the Salem Cultural Council are: Gerald Ryan, co-chair, Christine Michelini, co-chair, Sara Ashodian, Renee Austin, Derek Barr, Nicholas Giarratani and Kristine Doll.

Salem Cultural Council will seek applications again this fall, with a submission deadline of Oct. 15. Information and forms are available online at [salemculturalcouncil.org](http://salemculturalcouncil.org) or at the Massachusetts Cultural Council web site, [mass-culture.org](http://mass-culture.org).