

### **Details and Deadlines**

## Do you know an organization looking to be funded by SCFD? Eligibility applications are now open! Please share.

The deadline to apply to become eligible for SCFD funding is September. Organizations can learn more about SCFD eligibility. (Please note: No currently funded organization is required to complete this – new organizations only).

#### What you need, when you need it

Just a friendly reminder that we are continuing to add information, tutorials, grants calendars, and other important details to pages dedicated to your tier of partnership with the district. Please use these resources to help answer your questions and provide support.

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#### **Resources for Good**

# **Increase Your Impact with a Certificate in Nonprofit Management**

The Nonprofit Pathway at Red Rocks Community College is an academic nonprofit management program that can be completed in one year, focusing on one course at a time. Program information can be found at rrcc.edu/nonprofit.

"This program has given me the opportunity to expand my knowledge in the nonprofit sector and to excel professionally."

Ericka Hernandez, Interim Executive Director, Mexican Cultural Center (2020-2021 scholar)

Apply for a scholarship to become part of the 2022-2023 Nonprofit Pathway

program cohort. Priority deadline for applications: May 27, 2022. Applications are encouraged from members of historically marginalized communities. Scholarship partners include: Community First Foundation, Scientific and Cultural Facilities District, and Arts & Venues Denver.

#### Want no-cost help with your public relations needs?

Public Relations Society of America (PRSA) Colorado offers all SCFD-funded organizations an opportunity to register for pro-bono communication services as part of an annual program called PR Paid Forward. Interested organizations are invited to register for help on a variety of communication challenges - from content strategy, social media, crisis planning, media relations, messaging, thought leadership, and others. PRSA Colorado is a membership-based professional organization for strategic communications professionals in the Denver metro area. PR Paid Forward is a no-fee, volunteer-led program where professional communications practitioners are matched to participating nonprofit organizations based on experience, needs, and goals. Nonprofit organizations can sign up before June 24, 2022 to participate in this year's PR Paid Forward. Professionals and organizations are matched in July and project work takes place through Sept. 2022. For more information, FAQs and a detailed timeline, visit <a href="https://bit.ly/RegisterPRPF">https://bit.ly/RegisterPRPF</a>.



### **Engage with Us**

#### Get to know the SCFD staff

The small-but-mighty staff of the SCFD serve a critical role in ensuring that the voter-designed district provides funding for more than 300 arts and culture organizations across the seven-county metro area. In 2021, that meant providing more than \$75 million in general operating support to a broad array of



organizations, all of them struggling to recover from pandemic shutdowns and other challenges created by the global health emergency. Their sole focus and dedication is supporting the wonder our community loves. Here's a quick peek at who they are.

DEBORAH JORDY, executive director

Hometown: Denver

Favorite creative outlet: Designing and making jewelry, especially when I'm creating something as a gift for family, friends or colleagues

Cultural org you can't live without

Denver Art Museum

Favorite Book: One Hundred Years

**KENDAL ZIMMERMANN,** program officer **Hometown:** Racine, Wisconsin **Favorite creative outlet:** Figure drawing

Cultural org you can't live without: Any science organization, but to be honest, probably all of them as they feed a different part of my soul

of Solitude by Gabriel Marquez

Talent you covet: I would love to be
a fabulous singer and move between
jazz, opera, pop and blues

The best music genre: All jazzmainstream, Latin and Avant-garde

JESSICA KATO, deputy director
Hometown: Steamboat Springs
Favorite creative outlet: Singing or

writing poetry

Cultural org you can't live without: Any of our wonderful Theatre Companies (Performance Now, Su Teatro, Vintage Theater, Miners Alley Playhouse, DCPA, Townhall Arts Center, etc.)

Favorite Book: Fahrenheit 451 by

Ray Bradbury

Talent you covet: Baking (I can cook. I am horrible at baking.)

Best music genre: Original

Broadway Cast Recordings

DANA MANYOTHANE, program officer

Hometown: Denver

Favorite creative outlet: I like to paint pots with my daughter, whose talent has surpassed mine
Cultural org you can't live
without: Any outdoor festival or fair where there are the three Ts: Tents,

T-shirts, and Turkey legs

Favorite Book: Born a Crime by Trevor Noah or Soul City by Touré Talent you covet: Singing like

Mariah Carey

Best music genre: R&B

Favorite Book: Any of the Harry Potter series by J.K. Rowling or *The* Soul of an Octopus by Sy Montgomery

**Talent you covet:** Singing or playing the accordion, mandolin, or any other instrument

Best music genre: This is difficult to choose. I play music based on my mood or activity, so everything from the Rat Pack to Indie Rock to Bluegrass to Latin.

TIM MURPHY, program officer
Hometown: Gordonsville, Virginia
Favorite creative outlet: Cooking
Cultural org you can't live
without: Denver Center for the
Performing Arts

Favorite Book: I'm not a big reader.

I'd rather see the movie!

Talent you covet: Singing

Best music genre: All of them? I like pop, dance, Broadway, Latin pop, Motown, folk, jazz, singers & standards, classical, country, etc.

ARLENE HICKS, administrative assistant Hometown: West Bloomfield,

Michigan

**Favorite creative outlet:** Journaling. My life is documented in 30 books... so far.

Cultural org you can't live without: I'd say all the ethnic and heritage-based groups because they keep people like me connected to our roots.

Favorite Book: Pillars of the Earth by

Ken Follett

Talent you covet: I wish I could play

the piano.

**Best music genre:** Christmas! I'm the reason KOSI 101 changes their

format in early November.

# A shout out from the SCFD community to metro area cultural champions

A longstanding tradition at SCFD is to recognize top cultural contributors with the Rex Morgan Awards. Named for Rex Morgan, without whom the SCFD would not exist, these awards seek to honor his memory by recognizing major contributors to the cultural landscape in lifetime leadership, civic engagement and innovative

partnerships. Here are the 2022 winners.

 Lifetime Achievement: Jim Harrington's service over many decades as treasurer and chairman of the SCFD Board of Directors, as well as his instrumental work in securing reauthorization of the district across multiple elections demonstrates his deep commitment to culture in our metro area. His tireless service has ensured the continued vibrancy of our cultural landscape for generations to come.



 Civic Engagement: Darrell Anderson is an internationally known painter and visual artist with work displayed around the globe. But it is his deep commitment to mentoring, teaching and transforming the Denver metro area for the better that sees him honored with this year's award for civic engagement. While you can see



his magnificent art around Denver, you might not see the hundreds of lives he has transformed through his championing of artists and arts organizations as well as the power of art to create a better world.

 Innovative Partnership: The Bonfils-Stanton Foundation and the Denver Foundation came together at a critical juncture to create a unique partnership that was a literal lifeline to arts and culture organizations devastated by the necessary pandemic shutdowns. In the end, the two venerable Denver foundations delivered \$2 million to 72 organizations across the Denver metro area.

### Save The Date: The SCFD Block Party & Awards

The Scientific and Cultural Facilities District Block Party & Awards is coming Wednesday, June 22, 2022 from 5:30 – 8:30pm.

The party will include community, food and drink and the Rex Morgan Awards, dedicated to the leader, advocate and visionary who made SCFD a reality.



The SCFD Board of Directors oversees the operation of the district as well as all fund distributions.

The next meeting of the SCFD Board of Directors will be held virtually at 1 p.m. on May 26 at the Denver Botanic Gardens, Denver Botanic Gardens, 1007 N. York St., Denver. <u>Get more information for joining meetings and see the full calendar of 2022 board meetings</u>.

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