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## **The Washington Chorus to Receive \$15,000 Grant from the National Endowment for the Arts**

*Washington, DC*—National Endowment for the Arts Acting Chairman Mary Anne Carter has approved more than \$27 million in grants as part of the Arts Endowment's first major funding announcement for fiscal year 2019. Included in this announcement is an Art Works grant of \$15,000 to The Washington Chorus for the DC Honor Chorus festival. Art Works is the Arts Endowment's principal grantmaking program. The agency received 1,605 Art Works applications for this round of grantmaking, and will award 972 grants in this category.

"The arts enhance our communities and our lives, and we look forward to seeing these projects take place throughout the country, giving Americans opportunities to learn, to create, to heal, and to celebrate," said Mary Anne Carter, acting chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts.

The DC Honor Chorus program in 2019 includes a two-day festival and its surrounding education, professional development, and performance opportunities. In collaboration with DC Public Schools (DCPS), The Washington Chorus (TWC) brings together DCPS students from third to twelfth grade, representing all eight wards of the District of Columbia, for an intensive music training and performance experience. Participating choral teachers receive professional development training before combining on-site for a two-day music festival of rigorous rehearsals and a culminating performance.

For more information on this National Endowment for the Arts grant announcement, visit [arts.gov/news](https://www.arts.gov/news).

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