

## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

## HEATH CULTURAL COUNCIL ANNOUNCES 2023 GRANT RECIPIENTS Funding for community-oriented arts, humanities, and science programs allocated

The Heath Cultural Council (HCC) recently announced recipients of funding for the 2023 grant cycle. These grants were awarded in keeping with the Council's mission to support artistic and culturally-enriching community programs in the Town of Heath and the surrounding area. This year, HCC received a total of 27 grant applications. After thorough review and deliberation by Council members, funds totaling \$5,775 were awarded to the following 15 applicants: Music at the 105th Annual Heath Fair; 2023 Heath Arts Exhibition; the *Heath Herald*; Square Dances hosted by the Heath Council on Aging; 105th Annual Heath Fair Square Dance; Evening Sky Tour at the Benson Place; RaisingOur Voices: A Summer Reading Performance at the Heath Library; Charlemont Forum Summer Speakers Series 2023; Mohawk Trail Concert Series Summer Festival 2023; Hilltown Youth Recovery Theatre Summer Workshop; Pothole Pictures 2023 season; Mohawk Trail Regional High School Darkroom; Piti Theatre residency at Hawlemont Elementary School; Buckland Historical Society Colonial Experience at Wilder Homestead; and Winter HooPla in Shelburne Falls.

The Heath Cultural Council is honored to support these worthwhile events, programs, and activities. We look forward to the entertainment and enrichment they will bring to our community in the months to come.

The Heath Cultural Council is part of a network of 329 Local Cultural Councils (LCC) serving all 351 cities and towns in the Commonwealth. The LCC Program is the largest grassroots cultural funding network in the nation, supporting thousands of community-based projects in the arts, sciences and humanities every year. The state legislature provides an annual appropriation to the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency, which then allocates funds to each community.

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