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AARON COPLAND FUND AWARDS GRANTS TO ENSEMBLES

–Eighteenth year of grants through the Performing Ensembles Program –

NEW YORK, NY – The Aaron Copland Fund for Music, Inc. has awarded grants totaling \$625,000 to performing ensembles across America and in the U.K. through its 2009 Performing Ensembles Program. Eighty-three organizations received awards in recognition of their commitment to contemporary American music. A complete list of grantees is attached.

The Fund received applications from 168 organizations requesting a total of \$2,177,626. From these, an independent five-person panel reviewed the applications, discussed their relative merits, and made award determinations in the areas of general operating and project support. Among the organizations supported are the Nashville Symphony Orchestra, English National Opera, SF Jazz, Third Coast Percussion and NewEar.

"For many years now, it has been the Copland Fund's mission to provide assistance to as many and as wide a variety of performing ensembles as we can," said Christopher Rouse, Fund President. "This year's hard-working panel did a stellar job in selecting a wonderful group of talented and deserving ensembles!"

In keeping with his lifelong devotion to the music of America, Aaron Copland created the Fund and bequeathed to it a large part of his estate. The Fund's purpose is to encourage and improve public knowledge of contemporary American music. In addition to the Performing Ensembles Program, the Fund has established a Recording Program and a Supplemental Program for service organizations and other non-profit institutions.

The next postmark deadline for applications to the Performing Ensembles Program is June 30, 2010. For more information, contact the program's coordinator at ensembles@coplandfund.org. Complete guidelines and application instructions are available online at www.coplandfund.org.

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Aaron Copland Fund for Music, Inc.
2009 Performing Ensembles Program Grantees

APPLICANT	LOCATION	DESCRIPTION	GRANT
Albany Symphony Orchestra	Albany, NY	General Operating	\$35,000
American Brass Quintet	New York, NY	Project Support	\$2,500
American Composers Orchestra	New York, NY	General Operating	\$30,000
American Contemporary Music Ensemble	Brooklyn, NY	General Operating	\$2,000
American Opera Projects	Brooklyn, NY	General Operating	\$7,000
Aperio	Houston, TX	General Operating	\$2,000
Argento New Music Project	New York, NY	General Operating	\$3,000
Bang on a Can	Brooklyn, NY	General Operating	\$17,500
Berkeley Symphony Orchestra	Berkeley, CA	Project Support	\$7,000
Boston Modern Orchestra Project	Malden, MA	General Operating	\$40,000
Boston Musica Viva	Somerville, MA	General Operating	\$13,000
Cabrillo Festival of Contemporary Music	Santa Cruz, CA	General Operating	\$30,000
California EAR Unit	Castaic, CA	General Operating	\$10,000
California Symphony Orchestra	Walnut Creek, CA	Project Support	\$5,000
Callithumpian Consort	Cambridge, MA	General Operating	\$3,500
Central City Opera	Denver, CO	Project Support	\$5,000
Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center	New York, NY	Project Support	\$3,000
Chicago Chamber Musicians	Chicago, IL	Project Support	\$3,000
Continuum	New York, NY	General Operating	\$5,000
Copland House	Peekskill, NY	Project Support	\$5,000
Cypress String Quartet	San Francisco, CA	General Operating	\$2,000
Da Capo Chamber Players	New York, NY	General Operating	\$6,000
Debussy Trio	Los Angeles, CA	General Operating	\$2,000
Del Sol String Quartet	San Francisco, CA	General Operating	\$2,000
Dinosaur Annex Music Ensemble	Brookline, MA	General Operating	\$2,500
eighth blackbird	Evanston, IL	General Operating	\$13,000
English National Opera	London, England	Project Support	\$5,000
Ethel	New York, NY	General Operating	\$8,000
Firebird Ensemble	Somerville, MA	General Operating	\$7,500
Fulcrum Point New Music Project	Chicago, IL	General Operating	\$4,000
Glimmerglass Opera	Cooperstown, NY	Project Support	\$15,000
Jazz Composers Alliance	Waltham, MA	General Operating	\$2,000
Kronos Quartet	San Francisco, CA	General Operating	\$10,000
League of Composers/ISCM	Brooklyn, NY	General Operating	\$2,000
Left Coast Chamber Ensemble	San Francisco, CA	General Operating	\$3,000
Lontano	London, England	Project Support	\$7,500
Los Angeles Chamber Orchestra	Los Angeles, CA	Project Support	\$8,000
Metropolis Ensemble	New York, NY	General Operating	\$4,000
Minnesota Orchestra	Minneapolis, MN	Project Support	\$25,000
Momenta Quartet	Brooklyn, NY	General Operating	\$2,000
Music from China	New York, NY	Project Support	\$4,000
Musiqqa	Houston, TX	General Operating	\$8,000
Nashville Symphony Orchestra	Nashville, TN	General Operating	\$5,000

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Network for New Music	Philadelphia, PA	General Operating	\$8,000
New World Symphony	Miami Beach, FL	Project Support	\$12,000
New York New Music Ensemble	Staten Island, NY	General Operating	\$2,000
New York Virtuoso Singers	South Salem, NY	General Operating	\$5,000
NewEar	Kansas City, MO	General Operating	\$5,000
Oakland East Bay Symphony	Oakland, CA	General Operating	\$13,000
Opera Boston	Boston, MA	Project Support	\$20,000
Orchestra 2001	Philadelphia, PA	General Operating	\$5,000
Orchestra of St. Luke's	New York, NY	Project Support	\$7,000
Pacific Symphony	Santa Ana, CA	Project Support	\$8,000
Paul Dresher Ensemble	San Francisco, CA	General Operating	\$10,000
Peninsula Women's Chorus	Palo Alto, CA	General Operating	\$2,000
Pittsburgh New Music Ensemble	Pittsburgh, PA	General Operating	\$4,000
Present Music	Milwaukee, WI	General Operating	\$14,000
Providence Singers	East Providence, RI	Project Support	\$3,000
Red Light New Music	New York, NY	General Operating	\$2,000
Relâche	Philadelphia, PA	General Operating	\$2,000
S.E.M. Ensemble	Brooklyn, NY	General Operating	\$3,000
San Francisco Contemporary Music Players	San Francisco, CA	General Operating	\$11,000
Sequitur	New York, NY	General Operating	\$5,000
SFJazz	San Francisco, CA	Project Support	\$8,000
So Percussion	Brooklyn, NY	General Operating	\$8,000
Society for New Music	Syracuse, NY	General Operating	\$12,500
SOLI Chamber Ensemble	San Antonio, TX	General Operating	\$2,500
Southwest Chamber Music	Pasadena, CA	Project Support	\$6,000
Talujon	Sea Cliff, NY	General Operating	\$2,500
The Crossing	Westmont, NJ	General Operating	\$2,000
The New Music Agency	Lincoln, NE	Project Support	\$1,000
The Singers - Minnesota Choral Artists	Minneapolis, MN	General Operating	\$4,000
Third Coast Percussion	Chicago, IL	General Operating	\$4,000
Vanguard Jazz Orchestra	New York, NY	General Operating	\$7,000
Vocal Arts Ensemble of Cincinnati	Cincinnati, OH	General Operating	\$3,000
VocalEssence	Minneapolis, MN	General Operating	\$12,000
Voices of Change	Dallas, TX	General Operating	\$3,500
Volti	San Francisco, CA	General Operating	\$5,000
Warriors of the Wonderful Sound	Philadelphia, AP	Project Support	\$2,500
Washington Square Contemporary Music Society	Jackson Heights, NY	General Operating	\$2,000
Westchester Jazz Orchestra	Chappaqua, NY	General Operating	\$4,000
Young People's Chorus of New York City	New York, NY	General Operating	\$8,500
Zeitgeist	Saint Paul, MN	General Operating	\$10,000