

Top 50 Recipients of Foundation Grants for Performing Arts, circa 2000*

Recipient Organization	State	Dollar Amount	No. of Grants
1. New Jersey Performing Arts Center Corporation	NJ	\$16,029,701	34
2. Music Center of Los Angeles County	CA	13,700,000	12
3. Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts	NY	8,656,643	63
4. Jazz at Lincoln Center	NY	7,885,000	21
5. Metropolitan Opera Association	NY	6,453,991	27
6. Chicago Symphony Orchestra	IL	6,152,500	36
7. Brooklyn Academy of Music	NY	6,096,135	44
8. New England Foundation for the Arts	MA	6,000,000	1
9. Chicago Symphony and Lyric Opera Facilities Fund	IL	5,500,000	6
10. National Symphony Orchestra	DC	5,345,000	8
11. Regional Performing Arts Center	PA	4,872,500	7
12. Drexel University	PA	4,692,000	2
13. Saint Louis Symphony Society	MO	4,633,871	27
14. Houston Music Hall Foundation	TX	4,609,919	14
15. New York City Ballet	NY	4,529,945	35
16. Institute of International Education	NY	4,500,000	1
17. Musical Arts Association	OH	4,386,708	29
18. Theater Communications Group (TCG)	NY	4,356,250	12
19. New York City Opera	NY	4,351,157	45
20. San Francisco Symphony	CA	4,227,650	32
21. Kansas City Symphony	MO	4,156,032	19
22. American Music Theater Festival	PA	3,772,750	13
23. Boston Symphony Orchestra	MA	3,478,584	28
24. San Francisco Ballet Association	CA	3,463,400	20
25. John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts	DC	3,337,267	51
26. New York Philharmonic	NY	3,194,083	35
27. Houston Grand Opera Association	TX	3,024,000	12
28. Dallas Symphony Association	TX	3,004,678	14
29. Kinkaid School	TX	3,000,000	2
30. New Jersey Symphony Orchestra	NJ	2,947,650	13
31. Houston Symphony Society	TX	2,928,000	17
32. Carnegie Hall Society	NY	2,905,305	12
33. Lyric Opera of Chicago	IL	2,887,957	32
34. Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra	WI	2,860,950	14
35. American Music Center	NY	2,805,000	3
36. New England Conservatory of Music	MA	2,740,000	4
37. Seattle Symphony Orchestra	WA	2,675,206	18
38. Performing Arts Center of Los Angeles County	CA	2,645,000	11
39. Detroit Symphony Orchestra	MI	2,611,650	9
40. San Diego Symphony Orchestra	CA	2,610,190	2
41. Ricardo Montalban Nosotros Foundation	CA	2,500,000	1
42. Pittsburgh Symphony Society	PA	2,484,162	30
43. Atlanta Symphony Orchestra	GA	2,359,658	15
44. Lincoln Center Theater	NY	2,340,000	29
45. Shakespeare Theater	DC	2,334,080	16
46. Steppenwolf Theater Company	IL	2,328,500	15
47. Lensic Performing Arts Center	NM	2,315,000	8
48. Opera America	DC	2,312,736	4
49. Alabama Shakespeare Festival	AL	2,275,000	9
50. State Ballet of Missouri	MO	2,260,684	15
Total		\$211,536,492	927

Source: The Foundation Center.

*Based on grants of \$10,000 or more awarded by a national sample of 1,015 larger U.S. foundations (including 800 of the 1,000 largest ranked by total giving). For community foundations, only discretionary grants are included. Grants to individuals are not included in the file. The search set includes all grants to recipient organizations classified in this topic area and grants to other recipient types for activities classified in this topic area. Grants may therefore be included in more than one topic table, e.g., a grant to a university for its arts program is included in Education, Higher Education, and Arts.

Note: Performing Arts grants are also included in the Arts, Culture, and Humanities table.