

2022-2023 Black History Month Arts Grant Awardees

For 40 years, since the inception of the West Contra Costa Public Education Fund in 1983, providing resources to our teachers and students in the classroom has remained a central focus of our organization. That is why we are pleased to announce that the Ed Fund will be awarding \$27,000 this year in Arts grants from support from our donors for 27 classroom and school-wide projects and community events across the district to support and commemorate Black History Month. Grants range from \$500 to \$1,500.

These projects empower teachers, students, and community members with programming that centers their voice, focuses on the needs of African-American/Black students, and utilizes the Arts as a tool to disrupt the historical inequalities within our public education system. A list of awardees is as follows:

Project Name	School/ Community	Grant Type
Celebrating Black History Through Dance	Hercules High	School wide
Alvin Ailey Dance Company UC Berkeley performance	El Cerrito High, Nystrom Elementary and Pinole Middle	Community
Black Liberation Walking Tour Field Trip	Stege Elementary	Classroom
Celebrate Black History	Richmond High	School wide
Building Literacy around Race and Racism in America through Accessible Books	Verde K-8	Classroom
Black Student Union Rally, Blackout Dance, and Movie Day	Richmond High	School wide
Bringing Black Choral/Vocal Educators To Work With My Choir	Pinole Valley High	Classroom



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3D Builders in the 21st Century	Harding Elementary	Classroom
Black History Month Art Collaboration	Tara Hills Elementary	Classroom
A Music Tribute to Black History	All WCCUSD schools	Community
Pinole Valley High School's Black History Month Commemorative Jubilee 2023	Pinole Valley High	School wide
Black Joy in the Culinary Arts	Nystrom Elementary	Classroom
Splash of Curiosity	Stewart K-8	Classroom
Movement with Motors	Chavez Elementary	Classroom
Book Study of the book, "The Watsons go to Birmingham" by Christopher Paul Curtis	Montalvin Manor K-8	Classroom
East Bay Center Performance Day	DeJean and Helms middle and Kennedy and Richmond High	Community
OurStory-Experience History Different	Grant Elementary	Community
African American Representation in Toys and Literature	Cameron School	School wide
Black History Month Assemblies - "We Are One"	West County Mandarin School, Murphy Elementary, Bright Futures GDC	Community
Group Presentation of A Timeline of Events in the Civil Rights Movement	Middle College High	School wide
African American Fair	Montalvin Manor K-8	School wide
Black History Month Rally	Middle College High	School wide
Teen Night at the Symphony with "Disruptor Conductor" Daniel Bartholomew-Poyser	Middle College High	Classroom



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Black History Month	Middle College High	Classroom
Celebrating Black Joy: A Black History Month Walk-Through	Nystrom Elementary	School wide
Black History Podcast and Arts & Crafts	Bay Area Girls Club	Community
Mafanikio Black History Program 2023: Melanted and Brilliant	King Elementary	Classroom