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PERFORMING ARTS PARTNERSHIPS HELP PROVIDE CULTURAL ACTIVITIES, WORKSHOPS AND INSTRUCTION

Glendale, Ariz. —Glendale residents can enjoy cultural arts as a result of the Glendale Arts Commission awarding service contracts to non-profit organizations, schools and government agencies for the 2012-2013 fiscal year.

The Arts Commission recommended funding nine performing arts projects totaling \$35,500. All the projects were approved by the City Council and are as follows:

- Arizona Broadway Theater Performing Arts Association will present *ABT's Theatre for Young Audiences Goes to the Library*.
- Arizona Theatre Company will provide an artist-in-residency project, which will include language workshops, Shakespearean scene study, interaction with professional Shakespearean actors and written materials for 9th and 10th grade classrooms at Mountain Ridge High School and 12th grade classrooms at Glendale High School.
- Ballet Arizona will produce and perform *Ballet Under the Stars* at Sahuaro Ranch Park.
- Center Dance Ensemble will give 12 performances of their touring shows at nine Glendale elementary schools.
- Childsplay, Inc. will present four touring performances of *Rock the Presidents*, *Food for Thought*, and *Tomás and the Library Lady* for after-school and weekend audiences at Foothills Branch Library.
- Free Arts For Abused Children of Arizona will provide five teaching artists to conduct one five-week residency at two group homes culminating in a festival entitled *One World, One People*.
- The Glendale Youth Project will produce Hip Hop classes at Glendale Community Center.
- Opendance will provide classes and workshops based on the classic story of *Ferdinand the Bull*. Performances will be held at two Glendale community centers and two assisted living centers in Glendale.

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- Phoenix Symphony Association will provide a *School Music Education Experience at Bicentennial South Elementary School*. The *Bach-in-Roll Assembly*, provided by one of the Symphony's touring ensembles, will be followed by attendance at one of the *Symphony for the Schools* concerts for the entire school.
- Scottsdale Cultural Council will present *Arizona Wolf Trap*, which places professional performing artists in Glendale preschool classrooms to help teach curriculum using the performing arts.

The public events will occur through June 30, 2013. Additional public information will be published on the city's website and through various local media.

In 1996, the City Council approved the Performing Arts Partnership Program. This program supports a wide variety of free programs, which make the arts more accessible to Glendale citizens, most notably youth and their families. The various organizations host a variety of diverse arts programs throughout the community that can be enjoyed by residents of all ages.

For more information on Glendale's Arts programs, call 623-930-3557 or visit www.glendaleaz.com/arts.

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