

# 2016 ARTS & CULTURE GRANTEES

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*\$10,000 – Fresno County Public Library*

## ***La Musica en los Parques***

La Música en los Parques is a concert series in parks featuring musical programs celebrating Latino culture. A percussion laboratory will allow children to explore elements of music. A mobile library will create library cards on-site and loan materials at each venue. Posting videos online will increase access to concerts.

*\$10,000 – Fresno State Opera Program*

## ***Lucinda y las Flores de la Nochebuena: A Children's Opera***

This project seeks to share the diverse singing and acting talents of Fresno State students with the children and adults of Fresno County. By creating a new repertoire based on a Mexican folk tale and taking this newly created art to children in schools and in public forums where they would normally not be exposed to opera, the group will engage and change the way opera is perceived and see new audiences emerge and awaken to this ancient form of storytelling.

*\$10,000 – Central Sierra Historical Society*

## ***Sounds of the Central Sierra***

The Central Sierra Historical Society will create an innovative way for the community to experience the museum by developing an app that will allow visitors to engage with their exhibits through the rich sounds and songs of the central Sierra. The goal is to reach a broader audience using a new and modern approach.

*\$10,000 – Art of Life Cancer Foundation*

## ***Musical Playscape: Art of Life Healing Garden at Woodward Park***

The Art of Life Cancer Foundation will engage the Central Valley through the development of an outdoor musical playscape at the Art of Life Healing Garden in Woodward Park, intersecting the experience of both music and parks. This musical playscape offers equal benefits to all, transcending boundaries of age, ethnicity, gender, and ability. Offering an interactive experience, the ensemble of outdoor instruments will serve as a dynamic outlet that promotes music as art for generations to come.

*\$14,000 – Boys and Girls Club of Fresno County*

## ***SONGSTORYSHARE***

This program will engage children and their families in music performance and cultural activities to enrich their lives and deepen their understanding. The project will incorporate music from a variety of ethnicities within a cultural context and culminate in three events at City Parks. Youth will gain self-knowledge, self-esteem, and appreciation for multicultural music.