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ARTS COUNCIL SILICON VALLEY ANNOUNCES FUNDING FOR 78 ARTS AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATIONS IN SANTA CLARA COUNTY

San Jose, CA, June 30, 2011 – Arts Council Silicon Valley today announced that it has awarded \$290,502 in grants to 78 arts and cultural organizations focused on theatre, dance, music, and visual and literary art forms throughout Santa Clara County.

Through its Community Arts Fund (CAF) program, the Arts Council awarded 41 grants ranging from \$1,966 to \$4,000 for arts activities reflective of our multicultural region. Organizations receiving grant awards this year include the Cupertino-Toyokawa Sister City Committee (Cupertino), Gilroy Arts Alliance (Gilroy), Montalvo Arts Center (Saratoga), and St. Paul's Creative Arts Project for Youth (San Jose). To date, the Arts Council has distributed over \$2 million through this program's history.

To provide general operating support to professional and semi-professional arts groups with budgets ranging from \$100,000 to \$2 million, the Arts Council awarded grants ranging from \$1,600 to \$10,000 to 37 organizations through its Regional Arts Fund (RAF) program. A few of the organizations receiving grants awards this year through this program include Bus Barn Stage Company (Los Altos), San Jose Institute of Contemporary Art (San Jose), Silicon Valley Jewish Film Festival (Cupertino), and MACLA/Movimiento de Arte y Cultura (San Jose). Throughout the program's history, more than \$3 million has been distributed through this program.

"This funding support underscores our commitment and mission to not only make a key contribution to the cultural vitality of this region, but to help financially sustain these important arts organizations," said Nancy Glaze, Interim Executive Director, Arts Council Silicon Valley. "Together we can all help build a vibrant, well-rounded community and ensure that artistic and creative innovation continues."

To view a complete listing of 2011 CAF and RAF grants recipients, [click here](#).

ABOUT ARTS COUNCIL SILICON VALLEY

Arts Council Silicon Valley is a nonprofit organization dedicated to fostering arts and culture throughout the region. We bring leadership and support to the artists and arts organizations that form the cultural framework of our community. Since 1982 we have distributed nearly \$26 million in funding to the arts. Arts Council Silicon Valley is an official partner with the California Arts Council and the County of Santa Clara. For more information on Arts Council Silicon Valley go to: www.artscouncil.org.

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