

ATTACHMENT 1 – APPLICATIONS SUMMARY FB GRANT – 2nd Intake 2024

Vancouver Cantonese Opera

Grant File #	24-L-013	
Title of Event:	The BambooTheatre – Cantonese Opera Extravaganza	
Project Budget:	\$32,758	
Free Admission:	No	
Amount Requested:	\$7,500	
Amount Recommended:	\$5,000	
Previous Support:	2023 Small Scale Festivals Burnaby Grant	\$4,500
	2020 Small Scale Festivals Burnaby Grant (Cancelled due to COVID-19)	\$3,500
	2016 Small Scale Festivals Burnaby Grant	\$3,500
	2015 Small Scale Festivals Burnaby Grant	\$3,500
	2014 Small Scale Festivals Burnaby Grant	\$5,000

An application request for \$7,500 has been received from the Vancouver Cantonese Opera for *The BambooTheatre – Cantonese Opera Extravaganza* to be held on April 26, 2025 at the Michael J. Fox Theatre and a Pre-Show Workshop to be held at a Burnaby Public Library on April 13th. The event is expected to attract over 400 people.

The Bamboo Theatre – Cantonese Opera Extravaganza is a festival with a series of exquisite opera performances that draws its inspiration from the historic festivals of China. Participants will have the unique opportunity to enjoy the traditional art form of Cantonese Opera. The event also includes a pre-show behind the scenes workshop. At the pre-show workshop, community members will go through the intricate details on the history and significance of the use of make up in Cantonese opera.

Grant funding will go towards assisting with artist fees and programming. Other funding has been received from the Canada Council for the Arts and Gaming Fund. There’s still pending funding from the Hong Kong Economic & Trade Office and fundraising events.

The Vancouver Cantonese Opera was established in 2000 with the mandate to present the unique traditional art of Cantonese opera at the highest level to both Chinese and non-Chinese audiences.

Scandinavian Community Centre

Grant File #	24-L-014	
Title of Event:	Scandinavian Midsummer Festival	
Project Budget:	\$ 163,200	
Free Admission:	No	
Amount Requested:	\$25,000	
Amount Recommended:	\$10,000	
Previous Support:	2024 Large Scale Festivals Burnaby Grant	\$10,000
	2023 Large Scale Festivals Burnaby Grant	\$9,000
	2021 Large Scale Festivals Burnaby Grant	\$8,000

2019 Small Scale Festival Burnaby Grant	\$8,000
2018 Small Scale Festival Burnaby Grant	\$6,000

An application request for \$25,000 has been received from the Scandinavian Community Centre for the Scandinavian Midsummer Festival to be held on June 21 and June 22, 2025 at the Scandinavian Community Centre. The event is expected to attract approximately +4000 people.

The festival has grown to become a well-recognized annual celebration in Burnaby and will be the 28th anniversary in 2025. The festival showcases Scandinavian heritage with performances of music, dancing, and singing of Swedish, Norwegian, Finnish, Icelandic and Danish countries. The lifestyle of the Nordic countries will be on display with cultural foods, hobby horse racing, wife carrying contest, heritage games, and replica of a Viking ship and Village.

Grant funds will support artist and performer fees, venue/equipment rental, administration and marketing costs. Other sources of funding being pursued such as the BCFE recovery grant and the Gaming grant are still pending.

The Scandinavian Community Centre was established in 1986 with the mandate to create a gathering place for all Nordic descendants in BC and show their culture.

Heights Merchant Association

Grant File #	24-L-015	
Title of Event:	Hats Off Day	
Project Budget:	\$164,800	
Free Admission:	Yes	
Amount Requested:	\$26,300	
Amount Recommended:	\$13,250	
Previous Support:	2024 Large Scale Festivals Burnaby Grant	\$13,000
	2023 Large Scale Festivals Burnaby Grant	\$13,200
	2022 Large Scale Festivals Burnaby Grant	\$12,000
	2019 Large Scale Festival Burnaby Grant	\$12,000
	2018 Large Scale Festival Burnaby Grant	\$8,000

An application request for \$26,300 has been received from the Heights Merchant Association for the annual *Hats Off Day* to be held on June 7, 2025 on Hastings Street between Boundary and Gamma. The event is expected to attract approximately 60,000 people.

Hats Off Day is a multi-component, community-building street festival which includes a parade, diverse live music, entertainment, vintage car show & shine, kid’s activities, food, and booths featuring many local non-profit organizations. This event started as a way for Hastings Street local merchants to give back to the community and to create common experiences that bring together residents, businesses and visitors in a positive way. The festival is the oldest in Burnaby and has been celebrated for over 40 years.

Grant funds will support artist and performer fees, venue/equipment rental, administration and marketing costs. In addition, other in-kind City support such as RCMP, Fire and Public Works services will be provided separately through the different Departments and not part of the Festivals Burnaby grant stream. The organization plans to pursue support from +25 potential sponsors such as Port of Vancouver, IATSE, and Tourism Burnaby.

The Heights Merchant Association was established in 1994 with the mandate to create and promote the economic development of the Heights commercial district in cooperation with the community.

Chinese Taoism Kuan-Kung Association in Canada

Grant File #	24-L-016	
Title of Event:	TJ Fest	
Project Budget:	\$140,350	
Free Admission:	Yes	
Amount Requested:	\$25,000	
Amount Recommended:	\$8,000	
Previous Support:	2024 Large Scale Festivals Burnaby Grant	\$8,000
	2023 Large Scale Festivals Burnaby Grant	\$8,000
	2022 Small Scale Festivals Burnaby Grant	\$4,000
	2018 Neighbourhood Festivals Burnaby Grant	\$3,000
	2017 Neighbourhood Festivals Burnaby Grant	\$3,000

An application request for \$25,000 has been received from the Chinese Taoism Kuan-Kung Association in Canada for the 14th annual *TJ Fest* to be held on May 3 and May 4, 2025 at the Tian Jin Temple and Avondale Park. The event is expected to attract approximately 30,000 people.

TJ Fest is a two day annual festival celebrating Burnaby’s vibrant cultural diversity and community spirit. The event will feature cultural performances, family activities, displays, local businesses, non-profit organizations, and authentic food in a family-friendly atmosphere.

Grant funds will support artist and performer fees, venue/equipment rental, administration and marketing costs. Other revenue is pending from corporate sponsorships including RBC, China Airlines, and Nissan.

The Chinese Taoism Kuan-Kung Association in Canada was established in 1995 with the core mission of helping, saving, and guiding those in need. They also aim to share and promote awareness of Chinese and Taoist culture and enriching the community through community programs and services.

Eurofest BC Society

Grant File #	24-M-004	
Title of Event:	European Festival	
Project Budget:	\$28,250	

Free Admission:	No	
Amount Requested:	\$11,300	
Amount Recommended:	\$4,000	
Previous Support:	2017 Large Scale Festivals Burnaby Grant	\$25,000
	2016 Large Scale Festivals Burnaby Grant	\$25,000
	2015 Large Scale Festivals Burnaby Grant	\$25,000
	2014 Large Scale Festivals Burnaby Grant	\$25,000
	2013 Large Scale Festivals Burnaby Grant	\$25,000

An application request for \$9,700 has been received from the Eurofest BC Society for the *European Festival* to be held on May 24, 2025. The event is expected to attract up to 1000 people.

The Eurofest BC Society's annual event celebrates the diverse cultures of Europe, promoting intercultural understanding and community cohesion within Burnaby. The festival fosters a sense of belonging among European-Canadian residents and educates the wider community about European heritage by showcasing European traditions, music, dance, and cuisine. This includes the Metis Nation which has European-Indigenous roots. The festival is anticipated to bring together families, individuals, and cultural groups from across Burnaby and the Lower Mainland, contributing to the city's vibrant multicultural landscape.

Grant funding will go towards assisting with artist fees and venue rental costs. Other sources of funding are being pursued from other local businesses, fundraising and Vancouver based European consulates.

The Eurofest BC Society was established in 1998 with the mandate to promote unity, identity, diversity, and heritage across the Lower Mainland. By celebrating and preserving Europe's cultural richness in Canada, the annual European Festival and other events help build a stronger, inclusive, and more vibrant European community that is welcoming to anyone interested in European culture. The organization went through a structural change prior to the pandemic and is currently rebuilding their capacity and resources.

Mali Kurdistanian Society

Grant File #	24-M-005	
Title of Event:	NEWROZ	
Project Budget:	\$20,600	
Free Admission:	Yes	
Amount Requested:	\$8,240	
Amount Recommended:	\$2,500	
Previous Support:	2020 Small Scale Festivals Burnaby Grant	\$2,000
	(Cancelled due to COVID-19)	

An application request for \$8,240 has been received from the Mali Kurdistanian Society for *NEWROZ* to be held on March 16, 2025. The event is expected to attract approximately 3000 people.

The event will be a celebration of the Kurdish New Year which is on March 21st. The Society has invited musicians and singers to sing in different dialects. In addition to the cultural entertainment, there will be some activities for kids such as football, races, and face painting.

Grant funding will go towards artist's fees, venue/equipment rental, and administration costs. Other sources from funding comes from businesses that support the event and contributions from the organization itself.

The Mali Kurdistanian Society was established in 2019 with the aim to facilitate the Kurdish community in BC to integrate with the Canadian culture and system through seminars and events. They also aim to organize festivals and events.

Open World for Kids Foundation

Grant File #	24-SN-012	
Title of Event:	Who is Santa?	
Project Budget:	\$8,895	
Free Admission:	No	
Amount Requested:	\$2,600	
Amount Recommended:	\$1,800	
Previous Support:	2021 Small Scale Festivals Burnaby Grant (Cancelled)	\$1,800
	2017 Small Scale Festivals Burnaby Grant	\$1,500

An application request for \$2,600 has been received from the Open World For Kids Foundation for "Who is Santa?" to be held on December 28, 2024 at the Serbian Centre (Burnaby Hall) with an expected attendance of 600 people. This event will showcase a traditional Russian Christmas and New Year celebration with theatrical performances and other activities such as costume contest, games, paintings, dancing, and singing. Grant funds will support with the venue rental and programming costs.

The Open World for Kids Foundation was established in 2012 with the mission to keep and preserve Russian cultural, historical, and national heritage. They aim to support and help the development of cultural expression through performances and the arts and recognize talented young people.

North America Artist Association

Grant File #	24-SN-013	
Title of Event:	Burnaby Spring Festival Gala	
Project Budget:	\$14,800	
Free Admission:	No	
Amount Requested:	\$4,000	
Amount Recommended:	\$4,000	
Previous Support:	2023 Large Scale Festivals Burnaby Grant	\$8,000

2019 Small Scale Festivals Burnaby Grant

\$5,000

An application request for \$4,000 has been received from the North America Artist Association for *Burnaby Spring Festival Gala* to be held on February 9th, 2025 at the Delta Hotel Conference Centre in Burnaby. The event is expected to have 300 people in attendance.

The Burnaby Spring Festival celebrates the Lunar New Year and serves as a bridge between the Chinese community and residents of Burnaby. It will showcase the vitality of traditional Chinese culture through rich performances and interactive activities. The event will feature a wide variety of artistic performances including Chinese classical opera, folk dance, traditional instrumental music, and various performances that blend the eastern and western musical styles.

Grant funding will go towards programming, artist fees, and marketing costs. Other funding is being pursued from Sun Life and Scotiabank and other sponsors.

The North American Artist Association was established in 2016 with the mandate to bring together the artistic elites in North America, create a high-level platform for artistic exchange, and promote the prosperity and development of multiculturalism.