

NEWS RELEASE

Contact:

Kate McOmber
Director of Communications
860-525-8629, ext. 249
KMcOmber@letsgoarts.org

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

HARTFORD GEARS UP FOR ARTS AND CULTURAL EVENTS THIS FALL *19 Organizations Receive Funding Through Hartford Events Grants*

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: September 29, 2016

Hartford, CT (September 29, 2016) – The Greater Hartford Arts Council is proud to award funding for nearly 20 Hartford events taking place between October 2016 – March 2017 through its Hartford Events Grants Program. These grants support free, family-friendly performances, festivals and concerts that draw community engagement, generate economic growth for local businesses, and celebrate Hartford’s cultural diversity. Hartford Events Grants are supported by contributions to the Arts Council’s United Arts Campaign, in addition to generous donations from the United Way of Central and Northeastern Connecticut.

“Hartford Events Grants make possible dozens of free community-wide events possible in our region each year,” says Cathy Malloy, Chief Executive Officer of the Greater Hartford Arts Council. “These events showcase the creativity, innovation and cultural diversity that make Greater Hartford such an exciting place to live, work and visit.”

The following events, which all received a Hartford Events Grants, will take place this October:

One World Market – October 1, 2016 – November 30, 2016

Presented by International Hartford, One World Market presents free indigenous performing arts from six global regions at the Parkville CT Transit station. World dance and music will be accompanied by food carts/trucks offering food from all over the world.

Night Fall – October 8, 2016

The free, celebratory event takes place in Elizabeth Park and features local artists and performers suited for all ages.

Cultural Heritage Celebrations - October 6, 2016 – March 30, 2017

Hartford Events Grants will support Parkville Senior Center's Cultural Heritage Celebrations which incorporates dancers, storytellers, dramatists, poets, visuals, and teaching artists to perform at the events and conduct workshops around cultural themes.

For a full list of the 2016 Hartford Events Grants award recipients, please visit LetsGoArts.org/HartfordEventsGrants.

###

The Greater Hartford Arts Council is the central voice for the cultural sector in our region. We secure community resources through the annual United Arts Campaign, and responsibly reinvest those dollars through a stringent grant-making process into a wide array of organizations and programs that keep our community strong. We promote the arts as a regional asset and connect citizens to the arts. To learn more about Arts Council programs and services, as well as our United Arts Campaign, visit LetsGoArts.org or follow us @letsgoarts_org on [Twitter](https://twitter.com/letsgoarts_org).