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Southern Connecticut Camerata Receives CT Cultural Fund Operating Support Grant from CT Humanities

Norwalk, CT (January 24, 2023) — CT Humanities (CTH), the statewide, nonprofit affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities, has once again awarded the Southern Connecticut Camerata (SCC) a **\$5,300 CT Cultural Fund Operating Support Grant (CTCFOSG)**.

This support will have a direct and meaningful impact in continuing to sustain the SCC. The CTCFOSG will allow members of the SCC to improve their musical craft, support and increase membership, collaborate with local soloists and instrumentalists, and share beautiful pieces of music across Fairfield County.

“2023 has a great deal in store to be excited about!” says David J. Recca, SCC Artistic Director. “For the spring we’ll be delving into repertoire which celebrates and explores Greek myth and history. In the fall we will be collaborating with several first-rate Instrumentalists, led by Larry Zukof, in a performance of music by 17th German composer, Heinrich Schütz and Italian Jewish violinist and composer, Salamone Rossi.”

According to the CTH, the Board of Directors awarded approximately \$8.5M in operating support grants from the CT Cultural Fund to 723 non-profit museums and cultural, humanities, and arts organizations. CTH grants have supported a variety of projects and organizations for more than four decades. Since 1995, the Connecticut General Assembly has provided funding to CTH to deliver “...grants and support services for institutions in the humanities, including but not limited to libraries, museums and historical and cultural societies and associations.” A full list of grantees can be found on their website.

“Once again, we are so happy to have this acknowledgement and support,” says Russell D. Robbins, SCC President. “This grant will enable us to expand our repertoire immensely.”

This grant was administered by CT Humanities (CTH), with funding provided by the Connecticut State Department of Economic and Community Development/Connecticut Office of the Arts (COA) from the Connecticut State Legislature.

About Southern Connecticut Camerata

Southern Connecticut Camerata (SCC) was founded by Jeanne D. Kimball in 1955 as the Westport Madrigal Singers and is currently under the direction of Dr. David J. Recca. Continuing its tradition of commitment to quality performance, the group changed its name to Southern Connecticut Camerata in 2009, reflecting the broadening of its scope beyond early a cappella choral chamber music to the entire diverse richness of the past six centuries, including compositions from recent periods. Now in its 65th season, the SCC prides itself on finding and showcasing hidden gems of music history, rather than presenting well-known musical highlights. To schedule an audition, hear excerpts from past concerts, or purchase concert tickets, please visit <https://sccamerata.org>.

About Connecticut Humanities

CT Humanities (CTH) is an independent, nonprofit affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities. CTH connects people to the humanities through grants, partnerships, and collaborative programs. CTH projects, administration, and program development are supported by state and federal matching funds, community foundations, and gifts from private sources. Learn more by visiting cthumanities.org.

About Connecticut Office of the Arts

The Connecticut Office of the Arts (COA) is the state agency charged with fostering the health of Connecticut's creative economy. Part of the state's Department of Economic and Community Development, the COA is funded by the State of Connecticut as well as the National Endowment for the Arts.