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TACA Gives Out Record \$1.3 Million in Grants to North Texas Performing Arts Organizations in 2013

(DALLAS, Texas) January 29, 2013 – Dallas' premier umbrella arts organization TACA, The Arts Community Alliance, had a banner year fundraising in 2012, allowing the organization to distribute \$1.3 million to diverse and deserving North Texas performing arts organizations. Of that amount, \$1.2 million was distributed on January 28 at the TACA Grant Awards Presentation, presented by Bank of Texas, at the Dee and Charles Wyly Theatre. Hosting the event was the AT&T Performing Arts Center.

The additional \$100,000 will be distributed later this year in June as part of the TACA Donna Wilhelm Family New Works Fund. This fund is intended to particularly encourage the creation of innovative and experimental work. Awards will be available to organizations that have otherwise qualified as TACA beneficiaries through TACA's annual general operating and project grants funding process.

“Bravo to all those who supported TACA, who attended one of our events, who support the performing arts by attending a play, a performance, a musical and more,” said Nancy Carlson, Chair of TACA's Board of Directors. “Exceeding the \$1 million mark has been a goal of TACA's, whose mission is to support and sustain a vibrant performing arts community in North Texas.”

In 2013, TACA's grants awarded will help support more than 5,073 performances that approximately 1.4 million people will attend. Ranging from \$5,000 to \$110,000, TACA grants are being awarded to a varied group of North Texas' performing arts organizations, from the very large and established to the newly emerging.

New organizations being funded this year are AT&T Performing Arts Center, Bruce Wood Dance Project, Lone Star Circus Arts Center, Nasher Sculpture Center, New Philharmonic Orchestra of Irving, and Plano Symphony Orchestra.

2013 TACA Grant Award Recipients:

\$5,000

New Philharmonic Orchestra of Irving
One Thirty Productions Matinee Series

\$7,500

Plano Symphony Orchestra
Sammons Center for the Arts

\$8,000

Irving Chorale
Lone Star Wind Orchestra
Teatro Dallas

\$10,000

AT&T Performing Arts Center
Dallas Bach Society
Dallas Museum of Art
Lone Star Circus Arts Center
Meadows School of the Arts, SMU
Nasher Sculpture Center
Uptown Players
Voices of Change

\$12,000

Cara Mia Theatre Company
Chamber Music International
Echo Theatre
Orchestra of New Spain
Turtle Creek Chorale

\$15,000

African American Repertory Theater

\$17,500

Bruce Wood Dance Project
Second Thought Theatre

\$20,500

Orpheus Chamber Singers

\$25,000

Fine Arts Chamber Players

\$27,500

Undermain Theatre

\$32,000

Children's Chorus of Greater Dallas

\$34,000

Junior Players

\$35,000

Dallas Wind Symphony
Shakespeare Dallas
Theatre Three, Inc.

\$40,000

Kitchen Dog Theater

Lyric Stage
TITAS
WaterTower Theatre

\$42,000
Greater Dallas Youth Orchestra

\$60,000
Texas Ballet Theater

\$70,000
Dallas Black Dance Theatre

\$75,000
Dallas Children's Theater

\$100,000
Dallas Symphony Orchestra
Dallas Theater Center

\$110,000
Dallas Opera

Rebecca Young, president and executive director of TACA, added, "We want to thank all of our supporters and sponsors this year. A special thanks to the Communities Foundation of Texas for its generous gift of \$100,000 and to our Gala Chairmen, Jacquelin and Phillip Taylor and Nicholas Even, who exceeded their fundraising goal by 45%."

A special thanks to the sponsors and supporters, especially ALON USA, Communities Foundation of Texas, Rosewood Mansion on Turtle Creek, Diane and Harold Brierley, Nancy and Clint Carlson, Ann and Lee Hobson, Lexus, RBC Wealth Management, RBMM, Peggy and Carl Sewell, Sewell Automotive Companies.

ABOUT TACA:

TACA (The Arts Community Alliance) champions artistic excellence in performing arts organizations and encourages innovation, collaboration, and engagement through financial support, stewardship and resources.

Since its inception in 1966, TACA has distributed more than \$21.5 million to emerging and established performing arts organizations with budgets as small as \$13,000 to as large as \$30 million. Funds are raised through three signature events: the TACA Silver Cup Award Luncheon, which honors one man and woman each year for outstanding volunteer support of the arts, TACA Lexus Party on the Green, and TACA RBC Wealth Management Custom Auction Gala. In addition, TACA receives strong support from its Board of Governors, Founders Circle and Corporate Council. More information can be found at www.taca-arts.org or by calling 214.520.3930.

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