



New York City Department of Youth and
Community Development



New York City
Department of Cultural Affairs



The Council of the City of New York
Christine C. Quinn, Speaker

Dear Community Members:

The Department of Youth and Community Development (DYCD), in partnership with the Department of Cultural Affairs and the New York City Council are pleased to announce the second year of our **Cultural After School Adventures Initiative**. Last year's initiative demonstrated a breadth of cultural experiences, including programs offering dance, circus arts, theatre, visual arts, music, quilting, and gardening. The programs were well-received by the youth participants as well as their parents, teachers, and staff administering them. For Fiscal Year 2007, an additional \$760,000 is available for new cultural programs to be delivered in collaboration with Out of School Time (OST) programs between December 15, 2006 and June 30, 2007. Combined with the renewal of Fiscal Year 2006 grants, total funding to enhance cultural opportunities for OST programs exceeds \$2.6 million during Fiscal Year 2007.

All projects receiving Cultural After School Adventures funding are required to promote intellectual and creative exploration and skill development among their participants. Applications are welcome from every cultural and geographic area of New York City. As evidenced by last year's programs, we encourage cultural projects from a wide array of organizations. Funded projects must center on a demonstrable cultural activity with recognized value. Additional requirements can be found in the attached guidelines and application form, and further inquiries may be sent to casa@dycd.nyc.gov.

Once again, thank you for your interest in the Cultural After School Adventures Initiative. We eagerly anticipate your unique cultural and artistic contributions that will enrich the lives of our city's youth.

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