# METRO ARTS PLAN

A MAP FOR THE ARTS IN BOISE



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BOISE CITY
COMMISSION

# METRO ARTS PLAN

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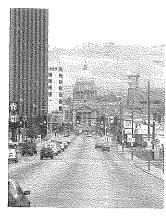
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# **Boise Needs an Arts Plan**

Boise and its arts have grown expansively during the past two decades. The city's population jumped from less than 100,000 in 1976 to approximately 150,000 in 1996. The greater metro area (including Ada and Canyon counties) grew from 220,000 to 410,000. Boise was headlined across the country as one of America's most livable communities. The city attracted nationally prominent performers, exhibits, conductors and choreographers. Cultural amenities were praised as major contributors to Boise's quality of life. Thousands moved here (or stayed here) to enjoy the outdoors, along with music, dance, theater, readings, galleries and events.

Now Boise faces new challenges. The city has outgrown its cultural facilities. Arts organizations are stretched thin. Arts education programs struggle to keep up with demand. Gallery and studio space barely exists. At the same time, the federal government is cutting back its funding of the arts.



# The MAP

MAP is a 5-year road map for maintaining and developing the arts in Boise. It identifies specific Destinations (goals), Roadways and Routes (strategies), and Milestones, Road Signs and Landmarks (objectives).



The Boise City Arts Commission (BCAC) saw these needs in 1993 and embarked on an ambitious planning process. BCAC members interviewed artists, arts administrators, educators, public officials, business leaders and philanthropists. The Commission studied local arts organizations' planning documents. It consulted other cities. BCAC linked with other local planning efforts. Focus groups and community discussion groups provided important feedback.

This "Metro Arts Plan" (MAP) is the result of that effort. MAP is a 5-year road map for maintaining and developing the arts in Boise. It maps the way for Boise to become a nationally respected center not only for business and recreation but also for the arts. It identifies specific Destinations (goals), Roadways and Routes (strategies), and Milestones, Road Signs and Landmarks (objectives).

# The Metro Arts Plan

# **Four Major MAP Goals**

# ARTS ADVOCACY

Strengthen the arts and cultural community to enhance Boise's image, attract visitors, build the local economy and enrich the quality of life.

# URBAN DESIGN AND COMMUNITY PLANNING

Integrate the arts into urban design and community planning to create physical environments where Boise citizens and visitors can enjoy art in their daily lives.

# ARTS EDUCATION

Expand leadership, resources and creative partnerships to strengthen Boise's arts education for all ages.

# FINANCIAL RESOURCES

Increase public and private support for the arts to secure Boise's cultural heritage for present and future generations.

structure needs to be maintained and upgraded in the same way that our roads and public services need to be maintained and upgraded. If not, Boise's valuable cultural investments will be lost.

Boise's cultural infra-

# **Boise City Arts Commission Will Lead and Advocate**

The Boise City Arts Commission will nurture and promote the arts in Boise, as it has since 1978. Established by city ordinance, BCAC is a nonpartisan, nonprofit body led by 15 volunteer commissioners appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council. The Commission advises and assists the City Council in development, coordination, promotion and support of the arts.

The mission of Boise City Arts Commission is to provide leadership and advocacy for the arts by:

• Promoting an understanding and appreciation of the arts.

- Helping local arts organizations and individual artists flourish.
- Enabling local arts organizations and individual artists to do things together that they can't achieve alone.

# **How We Can Afford MAP**

The Boise City Arts Commission is uniquely positioned to maintain and upgrade Boise's valuable arts community through the four goals of the MAP. The BCAC can provide information and incentives to the cultural marketplace. It can facilitate partnerships and leverage private investment. It can coordinate funding efforts that benefit the entire community.

Boise will be able to accomplish MAP goals with increased public and private investments of time, energy, creative vision and money. MAP strongly recommends that local investment in the arts increase over the next five years. It sets up a timetable for studying options and choosing those most appropriate and realistic for Boise.



# **Public Art**

"Boise Totems," by
Idaho artist Rod
Kagan, is a downtown landmark.
BCAC assists the
City in acquisition
and maintenance of
public art for interior
and exterior spaces.



"To capitalize on emerging community resources, (the city should) increase support for the city arts commission, which can take the lead in coordinating and implementing comprehensive plan policies relating to art and entertainment issues."

Urban Land Institute Report, Boise, 1995

# **A Wise Investment**

A wise investment in the arts will build on positive forces to shape our community for the 21st century.

Economic Development - A strong cultural community attracts an educated and skilled workforce, promotes the region as a convention and tourist destination, and encourages private investment in public amenities. The arts contribute more than \$30 million per year to Boise's economy.<sup>1</sup>

Educating Our Children - Arts education develops problem-solving skills and self-discipline. The arts inspire students to stay in school and to succeed.

Safer Communities - Arts activities for youth and families are positive alternatives to gang behavior, crime and drug abuse.

Quality of Life - The arts make us proud of our community. We delight in our unique public art. We turn out by the thousands to enjoy concerts and festivals. We boast about our local talent. The arts improve our quality of life.

# Collaboration and Coordination

Working with the Boise City planning department, the MAP has been coordinated with the City's Comprehensive Plan, which specifically recommends adoption and implementation of the MAP. The MAP also links with other local planning efforts, including the Urban Land Institute Report (1995), River Street-Myrtle Street Urban Design Plan (1994), ArtSpace feasibility study (1993), Log Cabin Literary Center development plan (1996) and Boise Visions (1992 and 1996).

To fully implement the MAP, such collaboration and coordination must continue. These recommendations require the vision, cooperation, entrepreneurial energy and community ties of committed individuals and organiza-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> "How the Arts Affect Idaho's Economy," Michael J. DiNoto and Lawrence H. Merk, Northwest Report, November 1990.

tions. By working together, Boise will benefit from a flourishing cultural presence throughout the City.

The MAP is a plan for 1996, 2001 and beyond. Already, progress can be seen toward some of these destinations. Other routes will require building consensus, developing detailed plans and raising funds. As early landmarks are reached, we can anticipate growing momentum and community commitment to other achievements.

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The Boise City Arts Commission will act as catalyst and convener, and will monitor and publicize the progress along the way.



# City Arts Celebration

**Mayor Brent Coles** displays a poster during his annual proclamation of September as City Arts Celebration. **BCAC** coordinates the City Arts Celebration and the biennial Mayor's Awards for excellence in the arts to showcase and support Boise's artists and arts organizations.



# GOAL 1

# ARTS ADVOCACY

# Good Economics

**Economic impact** studies in more than 100 cities and 34 states have demonstrated a direct link between a community's cultural foundation and its economic vitality. A strong cultural base, or lack of it, can influence the tourist preparing for a vacation, the convention planner seeking a site, the corporate executive deciding where to establish new headquarters, or the family looking for a new home.

Strengthen the arts and cultural community to enhance Boise's image, attract visitors, build the local economy and enrich the quality of life.

Arts advocacy means marketing and promotion, encouraging networking and stimulating funding for artists, arts organizations, arts facilities and arts education.

# STRATEGY ONE

Present a coordinated public awareness campaign to promote the arts and improve attendance at arts events.

# **O**BJECTIVES

1. Build partnerships between Boise City Arts Commission, Boise Ad Federation, Boise Convention and Visitor's Bureau. Boise Area Chamber of Commerce and the Downtown Boise Association to present multi-media campaigns about the arts.

- **2**. Design an annual poster to celebrate the arts in Boise.
- **3**. Install kiosks for displaying posters and listings of arts events. Kiosks should be reader-friendly, regularly updated and installed in various locations throughout the City, such as at the Convention Center, Boise Airport, Boise Towne Square and Visitors Centers.

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- **4**. Explore BCAC assuming responsibility for centralized information about the arts in Boise, such as through a telephone line and/or website.
- **5**. Develop timely printed materials (such as brochures and/or a regular newsletter) on the performing and visual arts, and distribute through the Boise visitors centers, local hotels, businesses, civic organizations and other outlets.

**6**. Explore other cultural tourism opportunities to bring new audiences to Boise.

# STRATEGY TWO

Develop partnerships between business, the public sector and the arts.

# **OBJECTIVES**

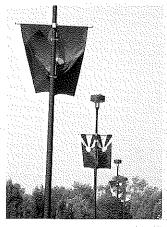
- **1**. Coordinate annual meetings for business people, community leaders and arts advocates to discuss arts and community issues.
- 2. Expand arts representation in business and civic organizations such as Boise Area Chamber of Commerce, Downtown Boise Association, Rotary Clubs, City Club, others.
- **3**. Coordinate art briefings for members of City Council, boards and commissions, neighborhood associations, social service agencies and community organizations.
- **4**. Facilitate discussions to organize a local chapter of Business Volunteers for the Arts.

# STRATECY THREE

Support the development of local arts organizations in such areas as administration, fund raising, marketing, advocacy, outreach.

# **OBJECTIVES**

- Encourage arts organizations to participate in collaborative training programs such as those offered by the Development Network, the Funding Information Center, and the SouthWest Arts Network.
- 2. Support special interest sessions for artists, staff and board members of arts organizations and arts supporters on topics such as marketing, research, tourism and the arts, training board members, building membership, audience development.
- **3**. Support efforts to overcome barriers to participation in the arts.



# Boise Banner Project

The arts bring business and government together to promote Boise. BCAC administers the Boise Banner Project, sponsored by Ore-Ida Foods and Albertsons, as a design competition for Ada County high school artists. The resulting banners are displayed during City Arts Celebration.



# MAP ACTION PLAN FOR ARTS ADVOCACY

ACTION STEPS

FY'96	
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community issues.	BCAC
• Hold art briefings with City leaders.	BCAC
FY'97	
• Install and maintain art kiosks throughout the City.	Seek partners for funding, administration, et
• Explore BCAC role in providing centralized arts information	P.C.A.C.
(e.g. telephone line, website).  * Develop and distribute printed arts materials (e.g. brochures,	BCAC
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"Great civilizations have had great commitment to the arts. If Boise culture is to thrive, individual businesses must be active participants in celebrating and promoting the arts."

Pug Ostling, owner/manager, Noodles restaurant

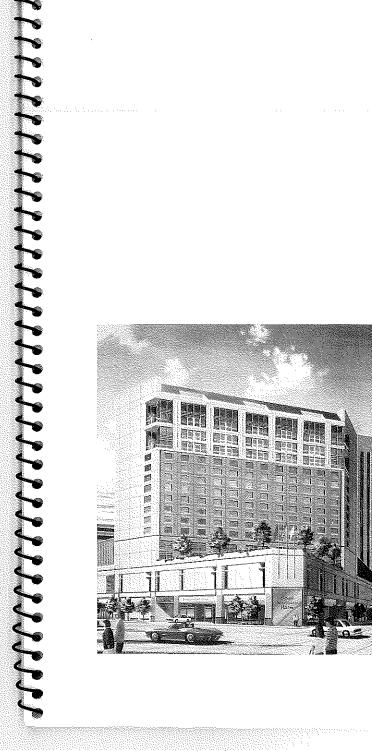
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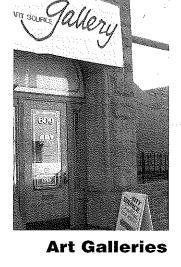
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LEADERSHIP







The Art Source
Gallery was established in 1993 as a
cooperative gallery
for local artists and
has grown to
become a thriving
downtown business. Boise has a
growing need for
galleries and studio
space for artists.

# **Public/Private Partnerships**

The WestCoast Hotel and Bank of America Centre, scheduled for completion in fall 1997, will include a site-integrated art component funded jointly by the Owner's Group and Capital City Development Corporation. BCAC recognizes this as Idaho's largest-ever public art project, as an opportunity to involve an artist as a member of the design team and as an example of public-private funding for art.





# URBAN DESIGN & COMMUNE eta

Integrate the arts into Boise's urban design and community planning to create physical environments where citizens and visitors can enjoy art in their daily lives.



**Performance Facility** 

A recent BCAC survey of Boise's performing arts organizations revealed the urgent need for a mediumsized performance facility. MAP supports efforts to acquire such a facility to better meet the needs of Boise's artists and arts organizations and to improve access to arts events.

In the next decade, Boise will have many opportunities for integrating the arts into our cityscape — such as in parks, buildings, bus stops, city gateways and other sites.

# STRATEGY ONE

Integrate the arts into local planning.

# **OBJECTIVES**

**1**. Use the MAP as the implementation plan for the arts in the Boise Comprehensive Plan, and as a resource for analyzing cultural needs and providing recommendations for meeting such needs.

- 2. Establish a procedure to ensure that the BCAC participates in the review of new city projects early in the design process to evaluate their suitability for art plan development.
- **3**. Explore programs to promote excellence in design, such as those offered through the National Endowment for the Arts.
- 4. Encourage artists and/or other representatives of the arts community to work with city planners, architects, developers and others to include the arts in planning, construction and design efforts: provide training, resources, other incentives.

- TY PLANNING

  Advocate for expanded cultural facilities to better meet the needs of Boise's artists and arts organizations, and to improve access to arts events.

  OBJECTIVES

  1. Promote Downtown as the cultural center of the Boise area.

  2. Provide leadership for establishing a cultural district in the downtown area, characterized by a strong arts presence, where the visual, performing, and literary arts will be specifically promoted and accommodated.

  3. Support efforts to establish a small to midsize performance facility.

  4. Facilitate creation of live/work space for artists.

# STRATEGYTHREE

Expand and promote Boise's public art programs.

# **OBJECTIVES**

- 1. Clarify and publicize a statement of purpose for Boise's public art programs.
- **2**. Expand public art programs to include visual, literary and performing arts on both public and private property throughout the City.
- **3**. Plan and promote public art as part of a citywide collection, not isolated works at segregated sites.
- 4. Encourage and recognize the design vision of architects and support renovation of historic buildings.
- **5**. Seek opportunities for artists to work as integral professional members of design teams for development and redevelopment of public spaces.



# **Public Art**

**BCAC** administers Boise's growing collection of art in public places. "Keepsies," a bronze sculpture by Ann LaRose, is located on the Grove in downtown Boise.



# URBAN DESIGN & COMMUN

**6**. Seek opportunities for public-private partnerships to acquire additional artworks.

# STRATEGY FOUR

Promote inclusion of the arts in private development.

# OBJECTIVE

**1**. Recommend incentives for private developers to include an arts component in new commercial and multi-family developments.

# STRATEGY FIVE

Establish appropriate channels for assessing and addressing the community's visions for the arts.

# **OBJECTIVES**

1. Conduct on a biannual basis a statistically valid survey of artists, arts appreciators and the general public to determine needs,

concerns and priorities for the arts and the BCAC.

- **2**. Host annual meetings of arts leaders to discuss shared concerns and emerging issues.
- **3**. Continue to inform City Council, the Mayor's office and City departments regarding arts issues, and foster City support of the arts.

Charlie Fee, artistic director, Idaho Shakespeare Festival

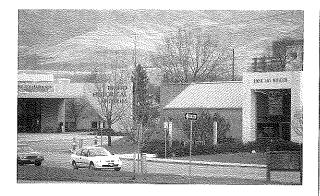
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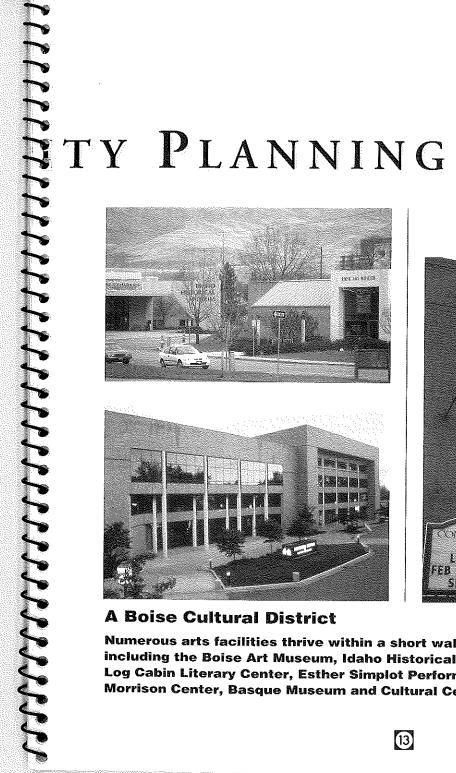
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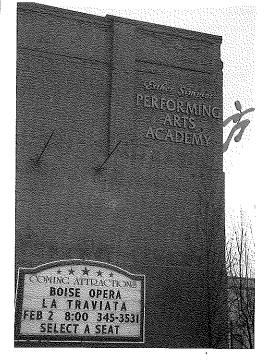
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Numerous arts facilities thrive within a short walk of the Boise Centre on the Grove including the Boise Art Museum, Idaho Historical Museum, Boise Public Library, Log Cabin Literary Center, Esther Simplot Performing Arts Academy and Annex, Morrison Center, Basque Museum and Cultural Center and public art sites.



# **Eighth Street/ Capital Blvd**

**BCAC** is working with the Capital City **Development Corp**oration to establish guidelines for a cultural district in the **Eighth Street/Capital** Boulevard area. **Cultural district** designation would strengthen and expand cultural activity in this downtown neighborhood to provide coordinated marketing, special events and improvements.



# MAP ACTION PLAN FOR URBAN DESIGN & COMMUN

ACTION STEPS	LEADERSHIP
FY'96	
• Adopt and implement MAP.	BCAC
Clarify and publicize statement of purpose for Boise's public	
art programs.	BCAC Visual Arts Committee
FY'97	
• Establish procedure for BCAC participation in design review of	
new city projects.	BCAC, City
<ul> <li>Encourage and support inclusion of the arts in planning,</li> </ul>	-
construction, design efforts.	BCAC
• Establish guidelines for cultural district.	BCAC, CCDC
Facilitate creation of artist live/work space.	BCAC
• Expand public art to include visual, performing and literary	
arts; citywide; public and private sites.	BCAC
• Survey needs, concerns and priorities for the arts and BCAC.	BCAC
<ul> <li>Support a small to mid-size performance facility.</li> </ul>	BCAC
FY'98	
• Explore programs to promote excellence in design.	BCAC
• Recommend incentives for including arts in private development.	BCAC

# Theater Outdoors

The Idaho
Shakespeare Festival
is building a new
world-class outdoor
amphitheater and
educational facility
in Boise.

# TY PLANNING ACTION STEPS ONGOING • Promote Downtown as Boise's cultural center. • Promote public art as a citywide collection. • Recognize design vision of architects, support historic renovative. • Host annual meeting of arts leaders. • Conduct a biannual survey of needs, concerns, priorities for the arts and BCAC. • Seek opportunities for artists to work on design teams. • Establish public-private partnerships for acquiring public art. BCAC fiscal year is October 1-September 30. MAP implementation plan for FY96 and FY97 is included in the appendix, pages 24-25.

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# LEADERSHIP

BCAC, CCDC, Downtown Boise Assn.

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BCAC to assume leadership, in partnership with other agencies/organizations, except as noted above.



# **Performing** at Home

The Idaho Theater for Youth has performed at the Kennedy Center and will represent North America at an international theater festival in Russia in October 1996 yet finds it difficult to perform at home in Boise, where a mid-size facility is needed.





# ARTS EDUCATION

# Arts Education is Effective

Arts education is acknowledged across the nation as one of the most effective ways to open the door to personal achievement, critical thinking skills, self-esteem, self-motivation, selfdiscipline, and a greater understanding of diverse cultures. It cultivates the whole person, gradually building many kinds of literacy while developing intuition, reasoning, imagination, and dexterity into unique forms of expression and communication. This process requires not merely an active mind but a trained one.

Expand leadership, resources and creative partnerships to strengthen Boise's arts education for all ages.



Successful arts education programs already exist throughout Boise. But access to these programs must be expanded so that Boiseans of all ages have opportunities to learn from the arts.

# STRATEGY ONE

Foster, coordinate, and promote highquality, school-based arts education opportunities available to all students.

# **O**BJECTIVES

**1**. Establish an Arts Education Network composed of Boise educators, artists and members of the community.

- **2**. Charge the Network with conducting an inventory of existing arts education resources.
- **3**. Establish a citywide recognition program to present awards for excellence in arts education.
- **4**. Identify and establish model programs in arts education.

# STRATEGY TWO

Encourage collaborations for life-long arts education with organizations such as Boise Parks and Recreation Department, Fort Boise Community Center, West Boise YMCA, professional arts organizations and Boise State University.

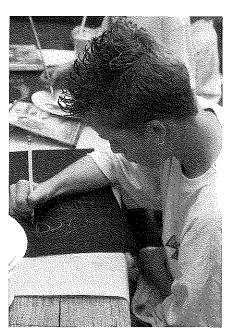
# **O**BJECTIVES

.1. Actively support expanding community centers and programs throughout the City to encourage and facilitate participation in the arts.

- **2**. Encourage arts education programs in currently underserved locations.
- **3**. Identify needs and opportunities for alternative arts programs, such as arts-oriented Latchkey programs and artist residencies for youth at risk.
- **4**. Provide information and registration at Arts for Kids about ongoing arts education opportunities in Boise.

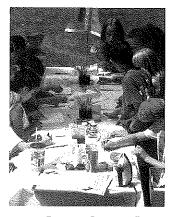
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**5**. Expand community participation in Boise State University's arts educational programs, events, facilities and resources.



"This school district has over a third of its secondary students involved in the arts. The grade point average is significantly higher, the attendance significantly better, the dropout rate significantly lower among these students."

Jerry Vevig, coordinator of Music Education for Boise Public Schools



**Arts for Kids** 

**BCAC** and Boise **Parks and Recreation** Department co-sponsor Arts for Kids, offering free workshops in visual and performing arts for 3000 children. preschoolers through teens. In 1996 Arts for Kids received the **National Recreation** and Parks Association **Arts and Humanities Award in the Pacific Northwest Region.** 

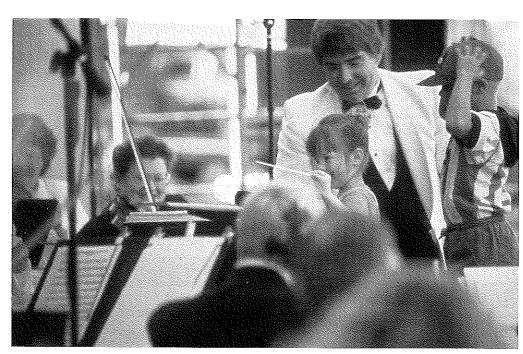


# MAP ACTION PLAN FOR ARTS EDUCATION

# Arts Education Network

**Several Boise arts** organizations already offer excellent arts education programs but often struggle to provide those services. MAP urges the formation of an Arts **Education Network** composed of Boise educators, artists, organizations and members of the community. The Network will inventory existing programs, identify needs, and coordinate community efforts to make local arts education more available and more effective.

ACTION STEPS	LEADERSHIP
<ul> <li>FY'97</li> <li>Establish Arts Education Network (AEN).</li> <li>Inventory existing arts education resources.</li> <li>Establish award for excellence in arts education.</li> <li>Provide information at Arts For Kids about ongoing arts education opportunities.</li> </ul>	BCAC AEN BCAC, Mayor's Awards for the Arts BCAC, Arts For Kids
<ul> <li>FY'98</li> <li>Identify and establish model programs in arts education, alternative arts education programs.</li> <li>Encourage expansion of arts education programs in underserved locations.</li> <li>Expand community participation in BSU's arts education programs.</li> </ul>	AEN, BCAC AEN, BCAC, BSU
• Support citywide expansion of arts education programs.	BCAC
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# **Young Audiences**

Each year the Boise Philharmonic invites approximately 14,000 4th- and 5th-grade students from schools within a three-hour radius to attend Children's Concerts. For many of these children, this is the first time they have been in the Morrison Center and the first time they have experienced live orchestral music. The concerts are free to the children and their schools.



# **Ballet Idaho**

"It is our conviction that participation in dance offers children the opportunity to learn self discipline and motivation to achieve, to set and accomplish goals, and to gain confidence in themselves."





# FINANCIAL RESOURCES

Increase public and private support of the arts to secure Boise's cultural heritage for present and future generations.



# Local Arts Agencies

Of local arts agencies serving cities similar in size to Boise, 68% make grants to local artists, arts organizations and arts programs; 71% provide an arts directory; 63% list tourism as part of their mission; 71% have arts programs that address social issues within their communities; and 38% manage an arts facility.

(Source: NALAA 1993 Survey of Local Arts Agencies.) Only with an adequate, stable funding base will Boise's cultural resources keep pace with growth. BCAC must take a lead role in establishing financial stability for arts programs and facilities.

# STRATEGY ONE

Position the BCAC as a liaison between arts organizations, government and the private sector to encourage and promote funding for cultural development.

# **OBJECTIVES**

1. Establish BCAC's visibility and leadership

- in advocating for expanded support for local arts organizations.
- **2**. Stabilize the funding base for BCAC operations through Boise City general funds.
- **3**. Support and assist arts organizations in researching and applying for nationally available grants.
- **4**. Explore means to increase access to cultural programs for all citizens.
- **5**. Establish a BCAC policy concerning fund raising and presenting that would not compete with arts organizations.

# STRATEGY TWO

Develop and implement a five-year plan to establish ongoing dedicated arts funding from local sources to better serve the local arts community.

# **O**BJECTIVES

**1**. Convene and facilitate a task force of leaders from public and private sectors (includers from public and private sectors)

ing representatives of arts organizations) to study the funding needs and opportunities for Boise's cultural sector.

- **2**. Convene an "arts summit" as part of City Arts Celebration, September 1997.
- **3**. Expand public and private funding for the arts.
- **4**. Establish a centralized funding strategy to direct public and private resources to local artists, arts organizations and arts programs.

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"Increased funding is certainly the most important current need in taking the Boise Master Chorale to a higher level in the next 5 years."

Strategic Planning Committee Report, Boise Master Chorale, May 1994 "Ticket revenue covers less than one-third of production costs." Lance Richardson, board president, Boise Opera



# Public/Private Investments

BCAC uses public money to leverage private investment in the arts. The budget for "Spring Run," a Ninth Street sculpture installation by Marilyn Lysohir, was shared by Capital City Development Corporation and First Security Bank. BCAC served as project administrator.



# MAP ACTION PLAN FOR FINANCIAL RESOURCES

"Dwindling support from the National Endowment for the Arts presents challenges and opportunities for all of us who care about culture. More than ever, state government will need to collaborate with local governments, businesses and non-profit groups to leverage dollars and expertise."

Delores C. Fery, Chair, Idaho Commission on the Arts

ACTION STEPS	LEADERSHIP
FY'96  Convene and facilitate a task force to study the funding for Boise's cultural sector.	BCAC
<ul> <li>FY'97</li> <li>Stabilize funding base for BCAC operations through Boise City general funds.</li> <li>Convene an "arts summit."</li> <li>Establish BCAC policy re: fundraising and presenting.</li> </ul>	BCAC BCAC, City Arts Celebration BCAC
FY'98 • Establish centralized arts funding strategy for dispersing public and private resources.	BCAC, task force
<ul> <li>• Establish BCAC's visibility and leadership in support of local arts organizations.</li> <li>• Support and assist other arts organizations in researching and applying for national grants.</li> <li>• Increase access to cultural programs for all citizens.</li> <li>• Expand public and private funding for the arts.</li> </ul>	BCAC BCAC BCAC BCAC
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# **Art Attacks**

Each year City Arts
Celebration includes
Art Attacks, seemingly spontaneous
free public performances such as this
one by Idaho Dance
Theatre in front of
City Hall. MAP calls
for BCAC to pursue
expanded funding for
public performances
and programs by
Boise artists and arts
organizations.

# **Funding Strategies**

Local arts agencies across the country have developed innovative centralized strategies to fund local artists, arts organizations, and arts programs. A video rental tax in Broward County, Florida, produces \$450,000 for the arts. One-tenth of one percent of the sales tax in Denver's metro area raises \$20 million for the arts. In Deadwood, South Dakota, a gambling tax generates \$5 million for the arts, culture and historic preservation. In San Francisco, the arts receive a \$10 million share of the hotel/motel tax. MAP proposes a timeline for exploring similar strategies that could work for Boise.





# METRO ARTS PLAN PROJECTED IMPLEMENTATIONS FOR FISCAL YEARS 1996 AND 1997

FY'96 Implementation	LEADERSHIP AND Resources
<ul> <li>ADVOCACY</li> <li>Design an annual poster to celebrate the arts in Boise.</li> <li>Meet with business/community/arts leaders to discuss arts and community issues.</li> <li>Hold art briefings with City leaders.</li> <li>Support special interest training sessions for artists, arts leaders.</li> </ul>	CAC budget BCAC budget Staff, BCAC Staff, BCAC
URBAN DESIGN/ COMMUNITY PLANNING  • Adopt and implement MAP.  • Clarify and publicize statement of purpose for Boise's public art programs.	As budgeted BCAC policy
FINANCIAL RESOURCES  • Convene and facilitate a task force to study the funding for Boise's cultural sector.	BCAC budget
FY'97 Implementation	LEADERSHIP AND RESOURCES
• Install and maintain art kiosks throughout the City. • Explore BCAC role in providing centralized arts information (e.g. telephone line, website).	Materials + staffing (.25 FTE) partners TBD for FY98 implementation CAC 97; other materials FY98

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# First Thursday

**BCAC** worked with the Downtown Boise Association to establish First Thursday as a monthly arts, cultural and entertainment event downtown.

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<ul> <li>Develop and distribute printed arts materials (e.g. brochures, newsletter).</li> <li>Explore cultural tourism opportunities.</li> <li>Expand arts representation in business and civic organizations.</li> <li>Explore organization of Business Volunteers for the Arts.</li> <li>Encourage participation in collaborative training efforts.</li> </ul>	staff, BCAC staff, BCAC staff, BCAC staff, BCAC
<ul> <li>URBAN DESIGN/ COMMUNITY PLANNING</li> <li>Establish procedure for BCAC participation in design review of new city projects.</li> <li>Encourage and support inclusion of the arts in planning, construction, design efforts.</li> <li>Establish guidelines for cultural district.</li> <li>Facilitate creation of artist live/work space.</li> <li>Expand public art to include visual, performing and literary arts; citywide; public and private sites.</li> <li>Survey needs, concerns and priorities for the arts and BCAC.</li> <li>Host annual meeting of arts leaders.</li> </ul>	BCAC policy staff, BCAC staff, BCAC staff, BCAC staff, BCAC staff, BCAC (may require part-time staff FY98) BCAC budget
<ul> <li>ARTS EDUCATION</li> <li>Establish Arts Education Network.</li> <li>Establish award for excellence in arts education.</li> <li>Provide information at Arts For Kids about ongoing arts education opportunities.</li> </ul>	BCAC budget City Arts Celebration/Mayor's Awards AFK budget
<ul> <li>FINANCIAL RESOURCES</li> <li>Establish BCAC policy re: fundraising and presenting in competition with other arts organizations.</li> <li>Stabilize funding base for BCAC operations through Boise City general funds.</li> <li>Establish BCAC's visibility and leadership in support of local arts organizations.</li> <li>Support and assist other arts organizations in researching and applying for other national grants.</li> <li>Convene an "arts summit" as part of City Arts Celebration,</li> </ul>	BCAC board policy  City Council approval  staff, BCAC  staff

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CAC budget



# Presenting the Arts

IJA Productions presents a full year of arts programming and sponsors an annual competition for young writers. In 1995 IJA successfully launched First Night Boise, an alcohol-free New Year's celebration for all ages.



# HOW THE MAP EVOLVED TIMELINE

# APRIL 1993

BCAC board does organizational assessment.

### FEB. 1994

BCAC board holds Long-Range Planning Session. Revises mission statement; establishes five goals of the BCAC, including the Metro Arts Plan; creates MAP steering committee.

### 1994

**Music Week** 

Established in 1919, Music Week is an

annual nonprofit, noncommercial communi-

ty music festival free

for all to attend. "Art

is a rewarding activity for any community and

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Whether it be amateur

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chairman.

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struggle for funding,"

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BCAC committees create component plans on Visual Arts, Performing Arts, Literary Arts, Special Projects, Administration.

# Nov. 1994

BCAC kicks off Metro Arts planning process with a breakfast meeting for approximately 80 arts and community leaders. Key arts issues identified.

# DEC. 1994

River Street-Myrtle Street Urban Design Plan is approved by Boise City Council; includes guidelines for arts funding, public art; identification of a cultural district.

### Mar. 1995

BCAC holds Board Planning Retreat: MAP themes identified (design/vision; arts advocacy; arts education; funding.)

# 1995

Urban Land Institute study on Boise's key issues of planning and growth includes recommendation for increased support of BCAC and the arts.

# 1995

Boise State University's public policy survey quantifies economic value of the arts in Idaho and includes questions about arts participation and concerns.

# 1995

Boise City Comprehensive Plan is presented for community review. The document includes overview of arts and cultural resources, plus detailed goals, objectives, policies and implementing programs. BCAC presents suggestions for revisions to correlate with the MAP.



# **JULY 1995**

BCAC holds "vision meeting" for approximately 25 community leaders: a discussion of Boise's cultural district, live-work space for artists, and community vision for the arts.

# JULY/AUG. 1995

MAP steering committee interviews arts leaders, government officials and business leaders.

# Nov. 1995 - June 1996

MAP steering committee and BCAC revise and structure MAP document; recruit consultants for document preparation.

# **APRIL 1996**

BCAC hosts discussion groups on arts education and financial resources for the arts.

# **SUMMER 1996**

BCAC presents published MAP for public review, hosts public forums, meetings with community leaders and arts organizations; begins coordinated media campaign.

#### 1996 - 2001

BCAC coordinates MAP implementation, including annual review and updates/revisions as appropriate.



# **Morrison Center**

The 2,000-seat Morrison Center is the premier performance hall in the state of Idaho and is recognized nationwide for its elegance and acoustical excellence. Yet rental rates limit the availability of the Morrison Center to local groups.



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"First Security's corporate philosophy on contributing to the arts is based, in part, on the belief that public art and artistic endeavors provide an immeasurable contribution to the quality of life in Idaho and foster a greater sense of pride in Idaho's cultural identity."

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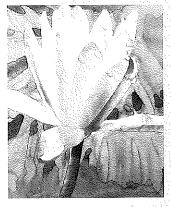
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# Boise Art Museum

One of the country's most significant private collections, American Realism: The Glenn C. Janss Collection, is on loan to the Boise Art Museum. The museum hosts regional, national and international changing exhibitions.



# MAP KICK-OFF BREAKFAST AND DISCUSSION NOVEMBER 1994

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1993-1994 Ballet Idaho

Jerry Vevig

Bill Weed

Boise Children's Theatre

Boise High School Auditorium

Boise Little Theatre

Boise Master Chorale

Boise Music Theatre

Boise Opera

BSU Pavilion

**BSU Special Events Center** 

Borah High School Auditorium

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City Hall

Crystal Ballroom

**IIA Productions** 

Idaho Dance Theatre

Idaho Shakespeare Festival
Idaho Theater for Youth
Kids Koncerts
Morrison Center for the Performing Arts
Morrison Center, Stage II
Nampa Civic Center
Noodles Restaurants
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Red Lion Riverside
South Junior High Auditorium
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## VISUAL ARTS Discussion July 1994

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Michael Gifford
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# ARTS EDUCATION Discussion April 1996

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# Log Cabin Literary Center

Located in a historic building on the Boise Greenbelt, the Log Cabin Literary Center will host readings, workshops, meetings and other events and programs for readers and writers. BCAC has been the parent organization for Snake River Writers and the Log Cabin Literary Center.

