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## **Southern Arts Federation Awards \$60,878 to North Carolina Arts Organizations**

*Atlanta, GA* - The Southern Arts Federation (SAF) announces a total of \$60,878 awarded to North Carolina arts organizations for fiscal year 2010-11 in fee support to present touring artists. Through the NEA/SAF Regional Touring program, the National Endowment for the Arts and the Southern Arts Federation partner to offer nonprofit presenting organizations fee support to present artists from outside of their states. Touring support is awarded for theatre, music, opera, musical theatre, literary and dance projects that contain both a public performance and an educational component. North Carolina grant recipients, location, amount and program funded are:

- **Alexander Central Auditorium, Taylorsville**, \$3,667 for Equinox Jazz Orchestra
- **Alexander Central Auditorium, Taylorsville**, \$2,500 for Soul Street Dance
- **American Dance Festival, Inc., Durham**, \$5,563 for Mark Dendy Dance and Theater
- **Appalachian State University, Boone**, \$5,750 for MOMIX Dance Company
- **Brevard College, Brevard**, \$3,917 for Sphinx Chamber Orchestra
- **Carolina Theatre of Durham, Durham**, \$1,433 for Jeffrey Solomon
- **Eastern Music Festival, Greensboro**, \$3,792 for Horacio Gutierrez
- **Haywood County Arts Council, Waynesville**, \$690 for Simon Powis
- **Lake Eden Arts Festival, Black Mountain**, \$3,754 for Sones de Mexico Ensemble
- **NCSU Center Stage, Raleigh**, \$4,625 for Daniel Bernard Roumain
- **Pack Place Performing Arts, Inc., Asheville**, \$5,813 for nicholas leichter dance
- **Pamlico Musical Society, Oriental**, \$1,113 for Sierra Hull and Highway 111
- **Pamlico Musical Society, Oriental**, \$750 for Vega String Quartet
- **Raleigh Chamber Music Guild, Raleigh**, \$4,167 for Harlem String Quartet
- **The ArtsCenter, Carrboro**, \$6,125, Soul Street Dance
- **University of North Carolina-Wilmington, Wilmington**, \$3,958 for Daniel Bernard Roumain
- **Western North Carolina Jazz Society, Asheville**, \$3,263 for Karrin Allyson Quartet

Presenting organizations from SAF's nine-state region competed for a total of \$392,546 supporting 104 projects in Regional Touring funding.

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**About the Southern Arts Federation:** *The Southern Arts Federation, a non-profit regional arts organization founded in 1975, creates partnerships and collaborations; presents, promotes and produces Southern arts and cultural programming; and advocates for the arts and arts education. Working in partnership with nine state arts agencies—Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee—SAF builds on the South’s unique heritage, and enhances the public value of the arts in our communities by promoting and supporting the arts in the South, enhancing the artistic excellence and professionalism of Southern arts organizations and artists, and serving the diverse population of the South.*