

# Woodlawn Conservancy, Inc. Awarded \$25,000 by the New York State Council on the Arts

BRONX, NY, US, December 16, 2022 /EINPresswire.com/ -- [Woodlawn Conservancy](#) Inc, at the [Woodlawn Cemetery](#) announced a grant award totaling \$25,000 from the New York State Council on the Arts ([NYSCA](#)) to support the recovery of the nonprofit arts and culture sector. Following New York State's historic investment for the arts, NYSCA has awarded \$90 million since Spring 2022 to a record number of artists and organizations across the state.

Governor Kathy Hochul said, "As a cultural capital of the world, New York State is strengthened by our expansive coverage of the arts across all 62 counties. This year's historic commitment to the arts sector will spur our continuing recovery from the pandemic and set the course for a stronger future."



Victor Goines & Friends Perform The Woodlawn Suite at The Woodlawn Cemetery, June 2022

NYSCA Executive Director Mara Manus said, "We are immensely grateful to Governor Hochul and the Legislature for their unprecedented investment of \$240 million to support arts organizations across the state. New York State arts organizations such as the Woodlawn Conservancy are the cornerstone of our vibrant arts economy. As crucial drivers of our health and vitality, we are grateful to the unwavering dedication of arts workers across the state."

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NYSCA Chair Katherine Nicholls said, “On behalf of the

entire Council, I congratulate the Woodlawn Conservancy on this grant award. Their creative work provides the benefits of the arts to both their community and all of New York. Arts organizations are essential, leading our tourism economy and fueling sectors such as hospitality,

transit, and Main Streets across our state. “

Meg Ventrudo, Executive Director of the Woodlawn Conservancy added: “This funding from NYSCA will help support the musical performances at Woodlawn that are inspired by the lives of notable individuals interred at The Woodlawn Cemetery. Concerts will celebrate the musicians and songwriters associated with Tin Pan Alley, Jazz and Salsa.”

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#### About the Woodlawn Conservancy

The Woodlawn Conservancy provides educational programs for students and the public, engaging a strong volunteer corps and working to present the extraordinary collection of monuments and plantings found on the 400-acre site of The Woodlawn Cemetery. This mission is accomplished through the support of individuals and organizations who desire to preserve Woodlawn's beauty and history for the enjoyment of future generations. The Woodlawn Conservancy is enhancing its community and investing in the future by preserving the past. For more information, visit [www.Woodlawn.org](http://www.Woodlawn.org)

#### About the New York State Council on the Arts

NYSCA preserves and advances the arts and culture that make New York State an exceptional place to live, work and visit. NYSCA upholds the right of all New Yorkers to experience the vital contributions the arts make to our communities, education, economic development, and quality of life. To support the ongoing recovery of the arts across New York State, NYSCA will award record funding in FY 2023, providing support across the full breadth of the arts.

NYSCA further advances New York's creative culture by convening leaders in the field and providing organizational and professional development opportunities and informational resources. Created by Governor Nelson Rockefeller in 1960 and continued with the support of Governor Kathy Hochul and the New York State Legislature, NYSCA is an agency that is part of the Executive Branch. For more information on NYSCA, please visit <http://www.arts.ny.gov>, and follow NYSCA's Facebook page, Twitter @NYSCArts and Instagram @NYSCouncilontheArts.

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