



PROPOSED FUTURE PROJECTS OF THE CENTER

(1) CATALOG OF PUBLIC FUNDING FOR THE ARTS & CULTURE - an analysis of public funding for arts and culture in Cook County from these jurisdictions:

- Department of Cultural Affairs
- Mayor's Office of Special Events
- Department of Aging & Disability
- Chicago Park District
- Chicago Public Library
- Chicago Board of Education

The analysis would take the form of sources and uses for the current fiscal year and a five history for those programs that fund or impact the arts. Specific funding programs or project initiatives would be identified with relevant staff contacts. Grants lists would be included with breakdowns by discipline and by ward. For programs that are not grant based and where funds are disbursed on a discretionary or contract basis, a list of fund disbursements will be provided. This report would be issued annually.

(2) CULTURE & PUBLIC POLICY "ISSUES BRIEFS" SERIES - a quarterly publication which focuses on a particular issue and reports background information, program models and applications for the Chicago region. Projected topics include: the hotel tax in Chicago and other cities, the status of the public radio and TV stations, cable TV regulation in Cook County, zoning regulations as they affect the arts.

(3) "CULTURE AND PUBLIC POLICY" JOURNAL - a national journal devoted to the study of the interactions between the cultural community and the body politic. Each issue would be devoted to a specific topic and contributions would be solicited from civic, social scientists, researchers, public arts agency officials and artists nationally.

(4) PERFORMANCE AND POLICY EVENTS - a series of performances or installations which would include a panel or seminar feature. We would use Roosevelt's theater, gallery and performance spaces creatively – blending lecture, guest artists and audience participation.

(5) THE STATUS OF THE INDIVIDUAL ARTIST - a survey of visual and performing artists using available census data, already published studies and original research. We would be attempting to establish a count as well as a snapshot of basic conditions, such as age, distribution, annual income and some measure of well-being.

(6) LEISURE TIME TRENDS IN THE REGION - we are working with the Metro Chicago Information Center, which just released the 1990 Metro Chicago Survey, on collecting richer data on how people in the region use their leisure time. We may want to commission a special study on why people do and do not experience arts events and pay special attention to traditionally under-served communities.

(7) NOVEL FUNDING SOURCES PROJECT - a survey of other cities to catalog non-traditional funding sources for arts and culture, with special note of how those mechanisms were created and who the key players are in their operation.

(8) "WHO'S WHO IN COOK COUNTY ARTS & CULTURE" - a directory of local leaders in arts and culture with biographies and contact information.

(9) CROSS INDEX OF CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTORS AND ARTS CONTRIBUTORS - Using information from theater programs, annual report and the Board of Elections, creating a cross index showing a list of contributors to various political campaigns compared to the arts organizations they give to.

(10) LIBRARY OF CULTURAL POLICY REFERENCE MATERIALS - a depository for studies, impact studies, reference works, legislation and model project information.

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