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WCM RECEIVES COUNTY GRANT

Weekend of Chamber Music received a \$2,400 Sullivan County Arts & Heritage Grant, provided by the Sullivan County Legislature through the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance (DVAA) in support of the annual WCM Summer Festival July 11 to 24, titled “Chaos, Color & Contrast.”

“The County Legislature and DVAA have supported us for many years,” said WCM’s artistic director Judith Pearce, “and we really appreciate the assistance of people who care enough about the arts to make opportunities for funding like this available.”

WCM also received a \$1,900 Arts Partners Challenge Grant in September through ArtsWestchester, with funding from the Arts in Education Local Capacity Building Program of the New York State Council on the Arts. WCM’s Artist Coaching Project, which brings professional musicians to the public schools to work one-on-one and in ensemble coaching sessions with local music students, is supported by this funding.

“Our Artist Coaching and Arts-in-Education work are remarkable projects,” says Ms. Pearce, “and we have the good fortune to collaborate with some outstanding teachers. When one sees first hand the tremendous impact hands-on experiences with the arts have on young people, finding the extra time and funding to make sure it happens successfully requires no second thoughts.”

As a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, Weekend of Chamber Music’s operations are also supported by multi-year grants from the New York State Council on the Arts, and the generosity of its individual donors and fans.

For more information about WCM’s summer festival or in-school activities and projects, visit web site at WCMconcerts.org.