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## **Bistline Fund in ICF gives almost \$57,000 in grants**

BOISE – The F.M. and Anne G. and Beverly B. Bistline Foundation Fund in the Idaho Community Foundation is providing almost \$57,000 in grants to arts-focused nonprofits in southeastern Idaho.

The Bistline Fund gives grants twice a year. The next deadline is May 1 and grants will be awarded in early summer. Eligibility guidelines and the application are available at [http://www.idcomfdn.org/pdf/donor\\_advised/2011\\_Bistline\\_Grant\\_Guidelines.pdf](http://www.idcomfdn.org/pdf/donor_advised/2011_Bistline_Grant_Guidelines.pdf).

The fund was established in 2011. Previously it was the F.M. and Anne G. and Beverly B. Bistline Foundation, a private foundation founded in 1999 by Pocatello philanthropist Beverly Bistline and named in honor of her parents.

Recipients of the fall grant cycle are:

**American Falls Theatre Guild, Inc., American Falls** – \$3,500 to update the facade of the building (matching grant)

**Highland High School, Pocatello** – \$6,250 to purchase a Conn 20KSP Sousaphone

**Holy Spirit Catholic School, Pocatello** – \$1,000 to purchase xylophones and metallophones for the music program

**Idaho International Choral Festival, Pocatello** – \$4,000 to support the 2013 Festival by helping to secure a Festival high school honor choir director

**Idaho Public Television, Boise** – \$2,000 to sponsor “Great Performances” on Idaho Public Television in eastern Idaho counties

**Idaho Shakespeare Festival, Inc., Boise** – \$5,000 to support Idaho Shakespeare Festival educational outreach programs, Idaho Theater for Youth and Shakespeareance, for K-12 youth in eastern Idaho counties

**Idaho State University Foundation - Boise Extension** – \$1,716 to pay for male and female counselors at the ISU Summer Piano Institute in Pocatello who will also coach piano duets, and provide three \$100 scholarships to needy students

**Idaho State University Foundation - Boise Extension** – \$15,725 to bring in a professional national theatre tour to the Stephen’s Performing Arts Center in Pocatello for a public performance and to teach a workshop for the Theatre and Dance Department focusing on “Being a Professional Actor”

**Malad Valley Theater Guild, Malad City** – \$2,500 to purchase a script for a play appropriate for high school students, plus supplies for sets and costumes for the play

**Marsh Valley Performing Arts Committee, Arimo** – \$3,150 to purchase a duet-size, adjustable piano bench and overhead light system for the grand piano and to help fund the annual Festival of Trees Scholarship drive and Christmas concert (\$500 matching)

**Musicians West, Inc., Pocatello** – \$2,098 to provide monetary awards and trophies for the first-, second- and third-place winners in each of six levels of the pre-college division of the Musicians West Piano Competition

**National Oregon Trail Center, Montpelier** – \$3,000 to purchase a feedback monitor speaker system for on-stage performers

**Old Town Pocatello Foundation, Pocatello** – \$5,000 to commission and place a piece of public art at the Old Town Pavilion located in the heart of Old Town Pocatello

**The Cabin, Boise** – \$2,000 to provide underwriting support for two weeks of Idaho Writing Camps for underserved youth of the Shoshone-Bannock tribes living on the reservation at Fort Hall

The Idaho Community Foundation is a statewide public nonprofit organization whose goal is to have a permanent endowment of charitable dollars that will serve Idaho forever. Transferring a private foundation to an ICF fund is easy, free and offers a variety of flexible giving options to achieve maximum financial planning and tax benefits.

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