

CULTURAL COUNCIL

Margaret G. Plumer, Chairperson

The Dalton Cultural Council's mission is to promote excellence, access, education and diversity in the arts, humanities and interpretive sciences in order to improve the quality of life for all residents. We are responsible for allocating funds received from the Massachusetts State Lottery for cultural projects proposed by organizations and individuals for the cultural benefit of the Town of Dalton. These funds are paid out to successful applicants on a reimbursement basis. The Massachusetts Cultural Council keeps our local council informed and updated to this and other cultural programs that are available to the town.

In fiscal year 2004 the following projects received funding:

- Music for Seniors Concert – Patty Carpenter
- Square Dancing – Cliff Brodeur
- Christmas Parade/Summer Concerts – Dalton Civic Arts Committee
- Radio Reach Out – Berkshire Talking Chronicle
- Playwright Mentoring Project – Barrington Stage Company
- When I am old I will wear purple – Alma Rose Center for the Arts
- Chamber Music Concerts/Music Education – Music Works in the Berkshires
- Nessacus Cultural Enrichment Program – Nessacus P.T.O.
- Kreative Kids – Dalton Arts & Crafts Guild
- Arrowhead Staged Readings – Berkshire County Historical Society
- Ashfield Community Theatre Play Production – Ashfield Community Theatre, Inc.
- The Unicorn, the Gorgon & the Manicore – Paula Nuss
- Housatonic Rivershed Program – Mass Audubon Society/Berkshires
- Senior Citizen Holiday Concert – John Root
- Choral Music Performances – Hilltown Choral Society
- Writing for Performance Project – Becket Art Center of the Hilltowns

The current members of the Dalton Cultural Council are: Kathleen Desmarais; Michelle Furlong; Donald Harris; Marjorie Limburg; Monica Montferret; Deborah Parkington; Margaret Plumer; and Joan Roy.