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### Volunteers Needed



Cherry Creek Arts Festival

SCFD is once again going to have a booth at the [Cherry Creek Arts Festival](#).

We are in need of volunteers to work the booth. The Festival is July 3-5. Any SCFD organization that sends volunteers can display/distribute informational collateral at the booth. If you are interested please contact [sheila@scfd.org](mailto:sheila@scfd.org).

### Eligibility

### Tier II Reminders

2010 Tier II [Qualification Applications](#) are due to SCFD by 5pm today, June 1st with the 2010 Tier II [Certification Reports](#) due on July 12th. Thank you to all those who submitted prior to the Qualification deadline. SCFD staff will be in touch after June 24th with budgeted distribution numbers necessary for completion of the Certification Reports. Please contact [Donna Smith](#) if you have any questions.

### Cherokee Ranch and Castle



[Cherokee Ranch & Castle](#) is majestically located on a high plateau. The castle is surrounded by acres of breathtaking mountain vistas in Sedalia, Colorado.

As a nonprofit foundation, its mission is to expand our community's access to cultural experiences, provide educational opportunities devoted to Colorado's Western heritage and preserve Colorado's environment. If you love music and theater, Western culture and history or the splendor of Colorado's rugged outdoors, then check their [events](#) and plan your next trip now!



To discover and post your Metro Denver cultural activities visit [Denver 365](#).

### SCFD Board of Directors Meeting



Randy Weeks, Brian Vogt, Christoph Heinrich, Craig Piper, George Sparks

The May 27, 2010 SCFD Board meeting was hosted by the Denver Museum of Nature and Science.

The Tier I organizations-[Denver Art Museum](#), [Denver Botanic Gardens](#), [Denver Center for the Performing Arts](#), [Denver Museum of Nature and Science](#) and [Denver Zoo](#)- presented their annual certification reports to the SCFD Board of Directors. Following their presentations and board questions, the board approved [Resolution 10-04](#) Pertaining to the 2010 Tier I Formula and Discretionary Funds Distribution. A total of \$24,256,065 in 2010 sales and use tax revenue is projected to be distributed to the Tier I organizations as follows: Denver Art Museum, \$5,052,538; Denver Botanic Gardens, \$2,850,088; Denver Center for the Performing Arts, \$4,409,753; Denver Museum of Nature and Science, \$6,064,016 and Denver Zoo, \$5,879,670.

SCFD Treasurer Joseph Arcese reported that the March 2010 SCFD sales and use tax revenue was \$3,362,554.92. This compares to March 2009 revenue of \$3,154,808.67 and is a 6.58% increase in March 2010 over month-to-date (MTD) March 2009 and is the fifth consecutive month of



Eligibility is the first required step for new organizations to become applicants for SCFD funds.

Eligibility Applications are accepted between June 1, 2010 and October 31, 2010. Please see <http://www.scfd.org/?page=apply&sub=1> for information on the eligibility process. Eligibility does not guarantee funding at the Tier III level.



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### Denver Art Museum

June 5  
July 3  
August 7  
September 4  
October 2  
November 6  
December 4

### Denver Botanic Gardens

July 22  
August 25  
September 26  
October 28

### Denver Botanic Gardens at Chatfield

June 4  
August 6  
November 5  
December 3

### Denver Center for the Performing Arts

Enter a free ticket drawing at [www.denvercenter.org/free](http://www.denvercenter.org/free). Recipients are randomly chosen and notified when seats are available. Each entry is eligible for two tickets to one production on a date/time determined by The Denver Center. Good luck!

### Denver Museum of Nature and Science

August 8

reported MTD increases. The 2010 year-to-date (YTD) sales and use tax revenue is \$8,860,768.46. This compares to YTD 2009 revenue of \$8,494,047.41 and is a 4.32% increase in YTD 2010 over YTD 2009.

Executive Director Peg Long reported that between March 5th and May 21st:

- Staff reviewed and analyzed 461 Tier III grant applications for 2010 and prepared 461 summaries for the County Cultural Councils
- Staff reviewed and summarized 276 Tier III 2009 final grant reports
- 70+ Tier III County Cultural Councils members reviewed a total of 461 grant applications and interviewed applicants
- 276 unique Tier III organizations applied for 2010 funds
- Staff attended more than 36 evening/weekend CO Cultural Council grant interview meetings

Ms. Long reminded all that [CenterFest 2010](#), a weekly summer series of cultural performances and activities featuring more than a dozen SCFD-funded organizations, and hosted by the Arvada Center, will begin on Thursday, June 3rd and continue through September 2nd.

The next regular SCFD board meeting is scheduled for 1pm Thursday, June 24, 2010 at the [Cherokee Ranch and Castle](#), 6113 Daniels Park Rd., Sedalia, CO 80135.

### Tier III News

For any general Tier III inquiries, contact [nancy@scfd.org](mailto:nancy@scfd.org) or 303-860-0588 ext 112.

SCFD staff would like to send a special thanks to all [County Cultural Council](#) members. We appreciate your time, dedication, and hard work during the 2010 grant review and allocation process!

Congratulations to Tier III applicants for completing the grant submission and interview processes. Remaining council [meetings](#) where funding recommendations will be discussed or decided are:

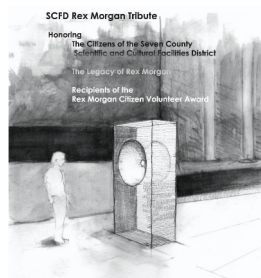
6/1 Jefferson County - 6/3 Arapahoe County - 6/7 Broomfield County - 6/8 Denver County - 6/8 Douglas County - 6/9 Jefferson County - 6/10 Adams County

Please see our [website](#) for more information on these meetings. As a reminder, the amounts recommended by county cultural councils are not official until they have been approved by the County Commissioners or City Council in each county and passed as a resolution by the SCFD [Board of Directors](#) on September 23, 2010.



To discover and post your Tier III activities visit [www.thescen3.org](http://www.thescen3.org).

### Rex Morgan Tribute Update



Please consider participating in the [Rex Morgan Tribute](#) with a modest, tax-deductible cash donation. The Tribute fundraising committee is nearing their goal for securing the donations needed to fund the SCFD Rex Morgan Tribute. The Tribute, an exciting public art sculpture will celebrate the contributions of Rex Morgan, a founder of SCFD, the recipients of the annual Rex Morgan Citizen Volunteer Award and the citizens who make the SCFD possible. Your gift will make a

August 30  
September 13  
September 19  
October 3  
October 18  
November 14  
December 6

difference and help the committee reach the finish line! Please contact [Donna Smith](#) or [Harry Lewis](#) for more details. Thank you to the many donors who are supporting this community endeavor. See the Rex Morgan Tribute section of the SCFD [website](#) for a complete list of donors.

**Denver Zoo**

October 13  
October 21  
November 7  
November 13

For more details, please visit our [Free Days page](#).



**Nonprofit Best Practices**

Did you know nonprofit best practices include being up to date on filing federal and state documents such as Federal IRS form 990 and registering with the Colorado Secretary of State (SOS), and that both nonprofit and local government recipients of SCFD funds must be registered with the SOS's Charitable Solicitations Section? Organizations need to be in good standing with the State before SCFD is able to release funds to them. It is easy to register and be in good standing, using the web: <http://www.sos.state.co.us/biz/BusinessEntityCriteriaExt.do> and <http://www.sos.state.co.us/ccsa/CcsaInquiryMain.do>.

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