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With a Public Art Learning Fund grant, Nimble Arts, Elsie Smith, and Serenity Smith, of West Brattleboro plan to strengthen their public art practice. Photo courtesy of Nimble Arts’ CreativeGround profile.
NEFA’s Impact in Vermont

FY20 NEFA Grants to Artists & Organizations

A2VT Burlington
Ashley Hensel-Browning Weathersfield
BarnArts Barnard*
Bread and Puppet Theater Glover
Burlington City Arts Burlington
Burlington Discover Jazz Festival Burlington
Burlington Taiko Group Burlington*
Circus Smirkus Greensboro
Crabgrass Puppet Theatre West Brattleboro
Elizabeth Billings Tunbridge
ERGO/movement Jeffersonville
Erika Senft Miller Colchester
Eve Jacobs-Carnahan Montpelier
Flynn Center for the Performing Arts Burlington*
Ida Mae Specker Andover
JC Wayne Shelburne
Kat Wright Burlington
KCP Presents Barnet*
Lida Winfield Middlebury
Mahaney Arts Center Middlebury*
Modern Times Theater East Hardwick*
Naomi Ullian Putney
Next Stage Arts Project Putney*
Nimble Arts, Elsie Smith + Serenity Smith West Brattleboro
O’HAnleigh Middlebury
Sandglass Theater Putney*
Spybird Theater Brattleboro
Toby MacNutt Burlington
Tori Lawrence Shoreham*
Town Hall Theater Middlebury

*received multiple grants in FY20.

NEFA Joins State Arts Agency Partners in Artist Relief

In response to the COVID-19 crisis, NEFA granted $285,330 from the risk reserve fund to support emergency relief funds at the six state arts agencies of New England in the initial phase of the pandemic. In Vermont, the $47,000 grant reached beyond both NEFA’s and Vermont Arts Council’s traditional constituent base, providing timely support to Vermont artists.

View additional resources at nefa.org/COVID-19.

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