

Summary of Results from the Richmond Cultural Council's Community Input Survey 2016

The Richmond Cultural Council used a five question survey to elicit thoughts and ideas from town residents. The surveys were distributed at the "baby" Town meeting and at the official Town meeting and collected as people left the meetings. There were a total of 41 responses which were tallied and are summarized below.

1. Were you aware that artists, schools and community organizations can apply for grants from the **Richmond Cultural Council** grants funds? 34 - Yes 6 - No

2. What should be the most important priorities for **Richmond Cultural Council** funding next year? Please rank your top three recommended priorities (write "1" for the most important, "2" for the next, etc.).

___23___ Projects led by local artists/musicians

___23___ Public events like concerts, festivals

___24___ Youth arts programs outside of school

___24___ Environmental education projects

___24___ Support for community organizations

___35___ Arts, humanities and science in the schools

Other idea or suggestion:___ Senior programs, students in Town government.

3. What current arts and cultural programs or services do you feel are important to maintain?

School programs, field trips cultural programs at RCS, Non school programs, whole town programs, Adult Education, Science education, music and art programs, Artists guild, COA, library, museum passes and historical programs, Berkshire Theater residency, Wharton's writers project, Shakespeare & Co programs, Barrington theater programs.

4. How do you hear about cultural activities that interest you?

___30___ Local paper

___30___ Town email

_19___ Word of mouth

_8___ Notices at the library, Town Hall or School

_6___ School newsletter

Other: Town Report, Rogovoy report, Local Yokel, major publications

5. Other comments/suggestions:

Use most of the funds in and for Richmond activities

School is the key

Creative Writing workshop

Poetry & Book reading/ Local authors

Theater at town hall