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FAYETTEVILLE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA RECEIVES ARTS COUNCIL GRANT TO SUPPORT THEIR 2015-2016 SEASON

Fayetteville, NC — The Fayetteville Symphony Orchestra is pleased to announce the receipt of a grant from the Arts Council of Fayetteville/Cumberland County for the 2015-2016 season. The support received from the Arts Council grant enables the FSO to keep ticket costs affordable and accessible for our community, and provide music programs for school children.

"Operating Support grants are designed to strengthen our community through the arts," says Deborah Martin Mintz, Executive Director of the Arts Council. "We're proud to support a strong arts organization such as the Fayetteville Symphony Orchestra, which is vital to maintaining a vibrant community, essential for economic development and integral in the development of a creative workforce."

The Arts Council's Operating Support Grants may be awarded to local arts agencies in Cumberland County whose programs are vital to the cultural life of the community and whose organizations have reached a size and maturity that assure their long-term viability. The purpose of Operating Support Grants is to strengthen and stabilize major arts institutions and help them to deliver high quality arts services to the citizens of Cumberland County.

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The Fayetteville Symphony Orchestra, founded in 1956, is the longest standing performing arts agency in Fayetteville, NC. It is a professional, regional orchestra whose mission is to educate, entertain, and inspire the citizens of the Fayetteville, North Carolina region as the leading musical resource. Praised for its artistic excellence, the symphony leads in the cultural and educational landscape for Fayetteville and the southeastern North Carolina region.

About the Arts Council of Fayetteville/Cumberland County

The Arts Council of Fayetteville/Cumberland County serves the 300,000 residents of Fayetteville and Cumberland County. For 40 years, the Arts Council has ensured growth in our children's education, our community's cultural identity and our economic progress. The Arts Council's grants, programs and services are funded in part by contributions from businesses and individuals and through grants from the City of Fayetteville, Cumberland County and the North Carolina Arts Council, an agency of the Department of Cultural Resources.

