**WESTMORELAND COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION**
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## Westmoreland County Local Arts Grant Applications are available for 2013

The Westmoreland County Bureau of Parks and Recreation is offering grants to non-profit organizations to support art related projects and activities that will benefit Westmoreland County residents. These awards are designed to stimulate and encourage arts programming in Westmoreland County. Nine thousand ($9,000) dollars are available for grants in 2013. This grant program has been made possible by the Westmoreland County Commissioners.

Applications for funding are available through the Westmoreland County Bureau of Parks and Recreation. Local non-profit arts organizations and governmental units engaged in the display or production of arts activities are eligible to apply. Eligible arts activities include projects involving music, theater, dance, and other performing arts.

A qualified, independent review board will evaluate all applications received by Tuesday, March 19, 2013. Up to 60% project funding is available only for direct costs of proposed projects, not for general administration, capital expenses or in-kind costs. Activities that are not open to the general public, that take place outside Westmoreland County, that have a religious purpose or that serve as vehicles for prizes, fund raising, or academic credit are also ineligible.

These grant funds are available for projects taking place from May 15 to September 30, 2013, and all applicants will be notified of grant awards by May 10. The application is available online at www.co.westmoreland.pa.us/parks or by calling Westmoreland County Parks and Recreation at (724) 830-3950.

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