

Acton-Boxborough Cultural Council

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Board of Selectmen  
Town of Acton, Massachusetts

Dear Selectmen,

The Acton-Boxborough Cultural Council has received 40 applications for the FY2010 Grant Cycle. As required by the Massachusetts Cultural Council and in accord with the Commonwealth's general laws, the Council members have identified one application which requires disclosure of financial interest and five applications which might present the appearance of conflict of interest. A disclosure form from each council member is enclosed and a summary is below for your convenience in reviewing these disclosures as our appointing authority. Conflicts of Boxborough members are included for your information.

As is our usual practice and as recommended by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, at our voting meeting(s) the member with the financial interest or appearance of conflict of interest will announce the conflict of interest which will be recorded in the minutes, and the member will leave the room during discussion of that grant application. The exception is the discussion of Ms. Adishesu's application. She will not be present for the discussion or the vote but the other Council members need to participate in order to have a quorum.

1. Disclosure of Financial Interest by Special Municipal Employee: Acton member of the ABCC Suman Adishesu has applied for a grant for an Indian Dance program.

2. Disclosure of appearance of conflict of interest:

- a) All members of the ABCC serve on the Council with Suman Adishesu whose application is described in (1) above.
- b) Yanni Gou, Acton member, is a member of the Acton Chinese Language School and its Parent Council. The Acton Chinese Language School is a grant applicant.
- c) Barbara Estabrook, Acton member, is a recent member of Harvard pro Musica, a grant applicant.
- d) Reshma Singh, Acton member, is an Advisory Board member of Discovery Museums, a grant applicant.
- e) Pascale Belin-White, Boxborough member, is affiliated with the Commonwealth Ballet, a grant applicant.
- f) Mitzi Garcia-Weil, Boxborough member of the ABCC, served on the ABCC with former Acton member Rixin Li, who is a grant applicant.
- g) Marion Powers, Boxborough member, is a part-time on-call staff member at the Sargent Memorial Library of Boxborough, a grant applicant.

We plan to hold a voting meeting on November 12, 2006 and request your acknowledgement of these disclosures by that date. Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

Barbara Estabrook, co-chair  
Acton-Boxborough Cultural Council

**DISCLOSURE OF FINANCIAL INTEREST BY SPECIAL MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEE AND APPROVAL BY OF EXEMPTION**

**AS REQUIRED BY G. L.C.268A, §20(c) AND §20(d)\***

Note: You are eligible for this exemption only if you satisfy the requirements of a "special municipal employee," G.L. c. 268A, §1(n), as follows:

- you are a selectman in a town with a population of ten thousand or fewer persons; OR
- you are not a mayor, a member of the board of aldermen, a member of a city council, or a selectman in a town with a population in excess of ten thousand persons; AND
- you occupy a position for which no compensation is provided; OR
- you occupy a position which, by its classification in the municipal agency involved or by the terms of the contract or conditions of employment, permits personal or private employment during normal working hours; OR
- you do not earn compensation as a municipal employee for an aggregate of more than eight hundred hours during the preceding three hundred and sixty-five days; AND
- your position has been expressly classified by the city council, or board of aldermen if there is no city council, or board of selectmen, as that of a special municipal employee

Name:	Suman Adiseshu
Title or Position:	Webmaster / Acton Boxborough Cultural Council
Agency/Department:	Acton Boxborough Cultural Council
Agency Address:	
Office Phone:	
Contracting municipal agency:	Acton Boxborough Cultural Council
Contract is for (Attached additional pages if necessary):	
Financial interest of employee and immediate family (Attach additional pages if necessary):	I'm applying for a grant to ABCC for an Indian dance program "Sanvam Shivam Rhythm of Life". I would be a recipient of this grant (not for my personal interest). I'm a member of ABCC.
Employee Signature:	Suman Adiseshu <i>Suman Adiseshu</i>
Date:	10/22/2009

**APPROVAL OF EXEMPTION (needed for §20(d))**

The city or town council, board of aldermen, or board of selectmen approve this exemption from §20.

Signature:	
Date:	

After disclosure (and approval, if needed) are completed and signed, file this form with the city or town clerk.

Attach additional pages if necessary.

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Name:	Suman Adisesku
Title or Position:	Webmaster / Acton Bourborough Cultural Council
Agency/Department:	Acton Bourborough Cultural Council
Agency address:	
Office Phone:	
I publicly disclose the following facts (Attach additional pages if necessary):	<p>I work as a Webmaster for ABCC along with the following members who have association with organizations involved with grant application.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.) Reshma Singh who is a committee member of Discovery Museum</li> <li>2. Barbara Estabrook who is associated with Harvard Pro Musica</li> <li>3. Yanni You who is <del>also</del> associated with Acton Chinese School</li> <li>4. Pascale who is associated with Commonwealth Ballet</li> <li>5. Marion Powers who is associated with Bourborough Library.</li> </ol>
Signature:	Suman Adisesku
Date:	10/22/09.

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Name:	Barbara Estabrook
Title or Position:	co-chair
Agency/Department:	Acton-Boxborough Cultural Council
Agency address:	PO Box 2291, Acton MA 01720
Office Phone:	
I publicly disclose the following facts (Attach additional pages if necessary):	<p>1. Suman Adishesu, an ABCC member, is a 2010 grant applicant. I have served with Suman on the ABCC for two years.</p> <p>2. Harvard pro Musica is a 2010 grant applicant. I was recently a member of this organization and may become active again in the future.</p> <p>3. Several other fellow ABCC members have affiliations with 2010 applicants:  Pascale Belin-White with Commonwealth Ballet Co.  Reshma Singh with Discovery Museums  Yanni Gou with Acton Chinese Language School  Marion Powers with Sargent Memorial Library, Boxborough</p>
Signature:	<i>Barbara B Estabrook</i>
Date:	October 23, 2009

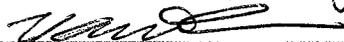
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Name:	YANNI Gou
Title or Position:	ABCC member
Agency/Department:	
Agency address:	
Office Phone:	
I publicly disclose the following facts (Attach additional pages if necessary):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- I serve ABCC with Suman Adiseh who is an applicant for the grant</li> <li>- I have involvement with Acton Chinese Language School for the preparation of 2009 Acton Chinese Music Night.</li> <li>- I serve with Barbara Estabrook a member of Harvard Pro music</li> <li>- I serve with Marion Powers - an employee of Sargent memorial library</li> <li>- I serve with Pascale Belin-white who has an involvement with Common Wealth Ballet</li> <li>- I serve with Reshma Singh who has involvement with Discovery MUSEUM</li> </ul>
Signature:	
Date:	10/22/09

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Name:	Gregory D. Hutchins
Title or Position:	Secretary/Clerk
Agency/Department:	Acton-Boxborough Cultural Council
Agency address:	
Office Phone:	
I publicly disclose the following facts (Attach additional pages if necessary):	<p>Grant applicant "Srishti the Creation" has identified Suman Adiseshu as their contact person. Ms. Adiseshu is a member of ABCC.</p> <p>Harvard Pro Musica is a grant applicant. ABCC member Barbara Estabrook sings with Harvard Pro Musica.</p> <p>Sargent Memorial Library has two grant applications. ABCC member Marion Powers works PT at the Library.</p> <p>Chinese Language School is a grant applicant. ABCC member Yanni Gou is affiliated with the School.</p> <p>Commonwealth Ballet is a grant applicant. ABCC member Pascale Belin-White works with Commonwealth Ballet.</p> <p>The Discovery Museums has applied for a grant. ABCC co-chair Preshma Singh is on the Advisory Board of the Discovery Museum.</p>
Signature:	Gregory D. Hutchins
Date:	Oct. 22, 2009

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Name:	Anne Krinsky
Title or Position:	ABCC member Artist.
Agency/Department:	ABCC member
Agency address:	
Office Phone:	
I publicly disclose the following facts (Attach additional pages if necessary):	<p>I serve on the ABCC with Suma Adishesu, reapplicant.</p> <p>I serve on the ABCC with Yanni Fou who is affiliated with Chinese Language School.</p> <p>I serve on the ABCC with Pascale Belin-White who is affiliated with Commonwealth Ballet and with Reshma Singh who is an advisory board member at Discovery Museum.</p> <p>and with Barbara Estabrook is affiliated with Harvard Pro Musica.</p> <p>and with Marion <sup>Powers</sup> who works at Buxborough Library.</p>
Signature:	Anne Krinsky
Date:	Oct 22, 2009

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Name:	Padmaja Kuchimanchi
Title or Position:	ABCC member
Agency/Department:	
Agency address:	
Office Phone:	
I publicly disclose the following facts (Attach additional pages if necessary):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- I serve with Suman Adiseshu in Abcc</li> <li>- I serve with Yani Gui who is member in Chinese lawyer</li> <li>- I serve with Barbar easterbrook who is involved with Harvard proMusica.</li> <li>- I serve with Pascale belin . who is involved in Commonwealth Ballet.</li> <li>- I serve with Reshma singh who is advisory Board member of Discovery Museum.</li> <li>- I serve with Mariane who was involved in Boxborough Library.</li> </ul>
Signature:	K. Padmaja
Date:	Oct 21-09

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Name:	RESHMA SINGH
Title or Position:	CO. CHAIR, ACTON BOXBOROUGH CULTURAL COUNCIL
Agency/Department:	
Agency address:	
Office Phone:	
I publicly disclose the following facts (Attach additional pages if necessary):	<p>I volunteer as co. chair of the Acton Boxborough Cultural Council (ABCC)</p> <p>The following members of the ABCC are also involved with the below mentioned organizations that have applied for Cultural Council grants FY 09-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Reshma Singh (myself) ... Advisory Board member of the Discovery Museum</li> <li>2. Barbara Lettbrook ... associated with Harvard Peabody Museum</li> <li>3. Yanni You ... associated with Acton Chinese School</li> <li>4. Pascale Belin White ... associated with Commonwealth Ballet</li> <li>5. Marion Powers who is associated with the Boxborough Library</li> <li>6. Arman Adveshu ... associated with Prishtu, the Creation.</li> </ol>
Signature:	<i>Reshma Singh</i>
Date:	10/22/09

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Name:	Mitzi Garcia-Weil
Title or Position:	<del>Acton</del> treasurer / Co-Grants Coordinator
Agency/Department:	Acton Boxborough Cultural Council
Agency address:	
Office Phone:	
I publicly disclose the following facts (Attach additional pages if necessary):	<p>① I serve on the council with Suman Adishesu who has applied for a grant for her dance troupe. (Srishti) (A grant applicant)</p> <p>② I also served with Rixin Li on the cultural council approximately 3-4 yrs. ago. (A grant applicant)</p> <p>③ I serve w/ Yanni Gon - a new member affiliated with Chinese Language School</p> <p>④ I serve w/ Pascale Belin-White who has an involvement with the Commonwealth Ballet</p> <p>⑤ I serve w/ Marion Powers - an employee of Sargent Memorial Library</p> <p>⑥ I serve w/ Barbara Estabrooke a member of Harvard Pro Music</p>
Signature:	Mitzi Garcia-Weil
Date:	22 Oct 2009

⑦ I serve w/ Reshma Singh who is involved w/ Discovery Museums

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Name:	MARION POWERS
Title or Position:	PUBLICITY CHAIR
Agency/Department:	A-B CULTURAL COUNCIL
Agency address:	
Office Phone:	
I publicly disclose the following facts (Attach additional pages if necessary):	<p>- I AM A PART-TIME ON CALL STAFF MEMBER AT THE BOXBOROUGH, SARGENT MEMORIAL LIBRARY.</p> <p>- I SERVE ON THE A-B CULTURAL COUNCIL WITH SUMAN ADISESHU, A GRANT REQUESTOR TO THE ABCC.</p> <p>- I SERVE ON THE ABCC WITH YANNI <del>QWO</del> WHO IS INVOLVED WITH THE ACTON CHINESE LANGUAGE SCHOOL.</p> <p>- ALSO WITH PASCAL BEZIN-WHITE WHO HAS AN AFFILIATION WITH THE COMMONWEALTH BALLET CO.</p> <p>- AND BARBARA ESTABROOK, A MEMBER OF HARVARD PRO MUSICA.</p> <p>- AND RESHMA SINGH WHO IS AN ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER OF THE ACTON DISCOVERY MUSEUM.</p>
Signature:	<i>Marion Powers</i>
Date:	OCTOBER 22, 2009

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Name:	PAOLA BELIN-WHITE
Title or Position:	GRANTS COORDINATOR
Agency/Department:	AC Cultural Council
Agency address:	
Office Phone:	
I publicly disclose the following facts (Attach additional pages if necessary):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Currently serving on the ABCC with Marjory Powers a BRIMBOROUGH LIBRARY EMPLOYEE</li> <li>* Currently serving on the ABCC with Yanni Gou involved with the Chinese language school applying for a grant.</li> <li>* Currently serving on the ABCC with Barbara Eastabrook a singer with Harvard PRO MUSICA applying for a grant.</li> <li>* Currently serving <del>on</del> on the ABCC with Reshma Singh an advisor with the Discovery museum applying for a grant.</li> </ul>
Signature:	<i>PAOLA BELIN-WHITE</i>
Date:	10/22/09

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