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## **CAAM TO RECEIVE NEA GRANT FOR CAAMFEST 2018**

**San Francisco, CA, February 12, 2018**– National Endowment for the Arts Chairman Jane Chu has approved more than \$25 million in grants as part of the NEA’s first major funding announcement for fiscal year 2018. Included in this announcement is an Art Works grant of \$20,000 to the Center for Asian American Media to support CAAMFest, our annual media arts festival showcasing the work of Asian and Asian American artists.

“It is energizing to see the impact that the arts are making throughout the United States. These NEA-supported projects, such as this one to CAAM, are good examples of how the arts build stronger and more vibrant communities, improve well-being, prepare our children to succeed, and increase the quality of our lives,” said NEA Chairman Jane Chu in a statement.

“CAAM is honored to continue to receive funding from the National Endowment for the Arts for CAAMFest,” said CAAM Executive Director Stephen Gong. “NEA support recognizes the highest standards of artistic excellence, and recognition from peers in the media arts field. We appreciate the support which will help us present CAAMFest 2018 during APA Heritage month in May.”

The Art Works category is the NEA’s largest funding category and supports projects that focus on the creation of art that meets the highest standards of excellence, public engagement with diverse and excellent art, lifelong learning in the arts, and/or the strengthening of communities through the arts. For more information on projects included in the NEA grant announcement, visit [arts.gov/news](http://arts.gov/news).

### **About CAAM**

The Center for Asian American Media (CAAM) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to presenting stories that convey the richness and diversity of Asian American experiences to the broadest audience possible. We do this by funding, producing, distributing and exhibiting works in film, television and digital media. For 37 years, CAAM has exposed audiences to new voices and communities, advancing our collective understanding of the American experience through programs specifically designed to engage the Asian American community and the public at large. For more information on CAAM, please visit <http://caamedia.org>.

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