12 'Hamp projects garner arts funding

From staff reports

NORTHAMPTON - The city's Arts Council has awarded grants to 12 projects in the fall 2002 round

of Arts Lottery funding.

The total amount given out in this round is \$6,716, a 79-percent cut from the previous year's amount of \$32,320. The drop was due to state budget cuts for the arts.

Grants given for two dance projects were \$500 to Ines Arrubla for Son Flamenco, a performance blending Caribbean drums and flamenco guitar, song, and dance, and \$400 to Lisa Leizman for a dance concert entitled "All Hindemith: Tanz-Sing-Und Spielmusik."

The film grant of \$250 will go to Aldo Cipriani for a documentary film about the former Northamp-

ton State Hospital.

In mixed media, a \$700 grant was given to Andrea Hairston for "Loss and Renewal: The Seeds of War, the Seeds of Peace," a concert of original compositions, and \$400 to Chivas Sandage for "Short

Stories in Performance," weaving poetry, prose, dance, and music with the photography of J.C. Tibbo.

Four theater grants were given: \$1,000 to the Enchanted Theater for the creation of a multi-ethnic. youth ensemble of Latin drummers and dancers; \$700 to Catalina Arrubla for "Multi Arts," free presentations of original theatrical work developed during a summer arts program; \$600 to Sondra Radosh and the Spindrift Theater for a production of "North Star," a drama by black playwright Gloria Bond Clunie: \$600 to the Jackson Street School for a series of workshops, rehearsals, and performances using puppets to tell original stories.

In the visual arts, the city's Arts Council granted \$900 to Lisa Leary for an exhibit of new works entitled "Works on Paper"; \$416 to Luke Jaeger for "Fundraiser," a public sculpture; \$250 to Mira Bartok for "Once Upon a Time," an exhibition of works by children's book illustrators from the River Valley Group.