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**Wave Farm Receives New York State Council on the Arts Grants  
to support facilities and fiscally sponsored artist project and commissions**

Acra, NY— The New York Council on the Arts announced last week that free103point9 Inc. (aka Wave Farm) was approved at the December Council Meeting for grants to support Wave Farm Transmission Equipment, LoVid (Tali Hinkis-Lapidus)'s "iParade," and Hans Tammen's "Apheresis - for large electronic ensemble."

The facilities award will support fifty percent of the cost to expand transmission technology resources for the Wave Farm Residency Program, including a site-specific AM radio station, and installation of expanded WiFi and electrical connection points, as well as the acquisition of a professional radio console to expand the usability of Wave Farm's WGXC Acra studio.

The Wave Farm Residency program provides artists with a valuable opportunity to concentrate on new transmission works and conduct research about the genre using the Wave Farm Study Center resource library. In conjunction with their residencies, artists perform, are interviewed, and create playlists for broadcast on Wave Farm's WGXC 90.7-FM, a creative community radio station serving over 78,000 potential listeners in New York's Upper Hudson Valley, and international listeners online.

NYSCA Chair Aby Rosen, and Executive Director Lisa Robb said, "We are working hard with our partners in state government to broaden the impact and advancement of arts, culture and heritage activities throughout the Empire State. Your work is vitally important to the community development, economic, tourism and education benefits that are a result of investment of public funds in arts, culture and heritage programming."

Wave Farm Executive Director Galen Joseph-Hunter said, "We are grateful and honored to receive this support and acknowledgement by the New York State Council on the Arts (NYSCA). These grants will have a tremendous impact on our ability to support creative and community engagement with the transmission spectrum and media as an art form."

The New York State Council on the Arts is dedicated to preserving and expanding the rich and diverse cultural resources that are and will become the heritage of New York's citizens. The Council believes in artistic excellence and the creative freedom of artists without censure, and the rights of all New Yorkers to access and experience the power of the arts and culture, and the vital contribution the arts make to the quality of life in New York communities. <http://arts.ny.gov>

Wave Farm is a non-profit arts organization that celebrates creative and community use of media and the airwaves. Our programs provide access to transmission technologies and support artists and organizations that engage with media as an art form. (Wave Farm is incorporated as free103point9 Inc.) For more information, visit <http://wavefarm.org>

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