## The Leonove Annenberg Scholarship, Fellowship, and School Funds



## PHILANTHROPIC IMPACT

"I have grown as a student and as a person because of this opportunity . . . . You have inspired us to be successful and to use our success to benefit others in need."

Joivonnah Childs, College Scholar

"Thanks to Leonore Annenberg's vision, the reality of a better tomorrow is accessible to these wonderful young people."

Mitchell Kurz, Academic Dean Bronx Center for Science and Math Mentor, Leonore Annenberg College Scholarships

"The College Scholarship Fund fulfills Mrs. Annenberg's wish to really 'reach out and touch' individual students and give them the opportunity to change the very trajectory of their lives—to soar as high as their skills and ability can take them."

Vartan Gregorian, President Carnegie Corporation of New York Member, Selection Council Leonore Annenberg Scholarship, Fellowship, and School Funds

"You have given me wings to fly with and I am proud to say that my life is in a decisively different place than it was when this Grant began. I would not have been able to reach the milestones of these two years without the freedom that you afforded me."

Jeremy Strong, Actor

"I feel a great sense of responsibility to honor the legacy of Leonore Annenberg and make the most of this extraordinary opportunity."

Angel Otero, Visual Artist

"The fellowship has allowed me to pursue activities that I would not have taken up alone. The classes I have taken have made me stronger, I am more aware of my body, I have met wonderful instructors, and I believe it has also prevented injuries."

Constance Stamatiou, Company Member Alvin Ailey American Dance Theatre

"Thank you for all the generous support of these artists over the past five years. When I see how Isabel [Leonard], Brenda [Rae] and Paul [Appleby] have thrived, I have great hope for the future of our art form. You can certainly take great pride in helping to secure that future."

Brian Zeger, Artistic Director, Department of Vocal Arts,
The Juilliard School
Executive Director, Metropolitan Opera Lindemann Young Artist
Development Program

"This [award] is an absolute dream and a blessing . . . . It is the foundation that I will always draw from when it is time to focus my efforts. At a time when I needed something big to happen, a major shift if you will, the Leonore Annenberg Fellowship provided . . . . Thank you to Lincoln Center and the mentorship provided throughout the period of this grant... Our relationship has only just begun.

Nyambi Nyambi, Actor

"This program is truly life-changing! So many thanks --"

André Bishop, Artistic Director Lincoln Center Theater Mentor, Leonore Annenberg Arts Fellowships

"I feel profoundly grateful to the Annenberg Public Policy Center for the career support I received through the Leonore Annenberg Fellowship. As I move forward in my career, I hope to inspire other young violinists and musicians to set ambitious artistic goals and find the support to realize them."

Francesca Anderegg, Violinist

"This fellowship has given me an incredible sense of empowerment over my work."

André Holland. Actor

"This Fellowship has been a godsend in my life . . . . I feel light-years ahead of where I was just a short year ago, both financially and professionally . . . . I plan for the day when I will be in a position to pay-it-forward and touch someone else's life the way you have touched mine."

Christopher Bolduc, Baritone

"These first months as a Leonore Annenberg Fellow mark the beginning of a period of great growth in my career... For the first time in my career I am financially stable, professionally empowered, and artistically satisfied."

Austin Durant, Actor

"The funds we will be receiving . . . for our small school with 97% poverty . . . will really help my teachers with their instruction and my students with their learning as they become even more technologically literate in the  $21^{st}$  century."

Clifford W. Buck, Principal Shearn Elementary School Houston Independent School District

"We believe that the only way to truly show our appreciation is our diligence in educating our young people and fully utilizing the classroom tools and labs that you have helped provide. We are striving to do just that."

Kathy Wilson, Public Relations Hancock County School District Kiln, Mississippi

"[The Science Laboratory] came with a boost to the lowest academic performance area . . . .students improved their academic performance across the board . . . and students will continue receiving the benefit for many years."

Mattye Jones, Principal Lorah Park Elementary School Miami-Dade County Public Schools

"The Annenberg Fellowship has helped me to experience more than I ever would have in the past year and, in turn, has helped me find a confidence in teaching dance. I know that this confidence will only grow as I continue to explore what is behind all the doors that this grant has allowed me to open with great excitement."

Demetia Hopkins Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater