



California Arts Council 2016–2017

GRANT PROGRAMS

The California Arts Council is dedicated to advancing California through the arts and creativity. The California Arts Council invests in California nonprofit organizations via competitive grant programs, administered through a multistep public process. Program details including application deadlines, guidelines, and more can be found at www.arts.ca.gov/programs.

ACCESS, EQUITY, DIVERSITY, INCLUSION

LOCAL IMPACT: Up to \$18,000 for arts projects in underserved communities.

VETERANS INITIATIVE IN THE ARTS: Up to \$10,000 for arts projects for veteran communities.

CULTURAL PATHWAYS*: \$10,000 over two years to strengthen the capacity of small organizations rooted in communities of color, recent immigrant and refugee communities, or tribal groups.

ARTS AND ACCESSIBILITY (Administered by the National Arts and Disabilities Center): Up to \$1,500 to support individual artists with disabilities, and up to \$2,000 for organizations to enhance opportunities for participation in the arts by people with disabilities in California.

CORE OPERATING SUPPORT

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND CONSULTING: \$1,000–\$5,000 for capacity-building professional development or consulting projects for arts organizations.

STATE–LOCAL PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM: Up to \$35,000 to foster community development through partnerships with county-designated arts agencies.

STATEWIDE AND REGIONAL NETWORKS: Up to \$30,000 to support culturally-specific, multicultural, and discipline-based statewide and regional arts networks and services organizations.

All grant programs have a dollar-for-dollar (1:1) match requirement that can include up to 50% in-kind unless otherwise specified (see guidelines). All applicant organizations must have a history of arts programming for at least 2 years.

Applicants must apply for distinct projects for each grant program. A single project cannot be funded in multiple grant categories. Applicants may not apply for both Local Impact and Creative California Communities grants.

COMMUNITY VIBRANCY

CREATIVE CALIFORNIA COMMUNITIES: Up to \$50,000 a year for small and mid-sized organizations and up to \$75,000 a year for large organizations to support collaborative creative place-making projects. *This is a two-year grant program.*

ARTISTS ACTIVATING COMMUNITIES: Up to \$18,000 for artist residencies in community settings.

ARTS AND PUBLIC MEDIA: Up to \$15,000 to support nonprofit media coverage of and engagement with arts and culture in California.

ARTS LEARNING AND ENGAGEMENT

ARTISTS IN SCHOOLS – ENGAGEMENT AND EXTENSION: Up to \$18,000 for collaborative arts education projects for PreK-12 students. Engagement projects take place on school sites during the school day. Extension projects take place after school or during the summer, either on school sites or in community settings.

ARTISTS IN SCHOOLS – EXPOSURE: Up to \$18,000 for field trip and assembly support to expose PreK-12 students to the professional arts.

ARTISTS IN SCHOOLS – PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT: \$2,500 to support arts integration training for classroom teachers facilitated by teaching artists.

JUMP StArts: Up to \$30,000 for collaborative arts education projects for youth involved in the juvenile justice system.

RESEARCH IN THE ARTS: Up to \$50,000 to support original research on the value and impact of the arts led by California-based researchers.

*Cultural Pathways operates on a two-year grant cycle. The next application will open in fall 2017. **For all other grant application deadlines, please see reverse.**





GRANT WRITING TIPS

Thinking of applying for a California Arts Council grant? Below are some simple tips to help your organization succeed:

TIP 1: Familiarize yourself with cac.culturegrants.org and create your account early.

TIP 2: Be specific and be clear. Successful proposals are tailored to grant program requirements and goals.

TIP 3: Align your project narrative and your budget, and make sure your budget fulfills the matching requirements.

TIP 4: Balance ambition with practicality.

TIP 5: Balance jargon with field-wide knowledge and readability.

TIP 6: Prepare your narrative in a word processing application (MS Word or Google docs). Spell/grammar check and please proofread!

TIP 7: Allow enough time to get letters of support, compile work samples, and complete the DataArts Profile.

TIP 8: Know that we want you to succeed! Contact us after you've read the program guidelines.

INFORMATIONAL WEBINAR: APPLYING FOR A CALIFORNIA ARTS COUNCIL GRANT

Thursday, Dec 1, 2016 from 11:00a.m. to noon
Register at www.arts.ca.gov/programs

This grants webinar will give an overview of all 14 of the California Arts Council's 2016-17 grant programs, highlighting some changes and new additions to our grant offerings. The programs staff will review the application process, provide some tips for grant writing success, and answer questions from the public.

APPLICATION DEADLINES

Grant Program	Application Deadline
Professional Development and Consulting	Winter Deadline: 12/14/2016 Spring Deadline: 4/5/2017
Artists Activating Communities	2/1/2017
Statewide and Regional Networks	2/1/2017
Artists in Schools: Exposure	2/15/2017
Artists in Schools: Extension	2/15/2017
Local Impact	2/15/2017
Creative California Communities	3/6/2017
Arts and Public Media	3/8/2017
JUMP StArts	3/8/2017
Research in the Arts	3/29/2017
Veterans Initiative in the Arts	3/29/2017
Artists in Schools: Engagement	4/5/2017
Artists in Schools: Professional Development	4/5/2017
State Local Partnership	6/27/2017
Cultural Pathways	Next application in Fall 2017
Arts and Accessibility (apply through NADC)	Rolling Deadline

