2018-2019 Inspiration Grant Round 1

ArtsKC - Regional Arts Council

Preliminary Application

PLEASE NOTE: The Preliminary Application process is <u>very competitive</u> and less than 50% of those submitted are approved to move on to the next stage. So it is important that you provide enough clear details for the reviewers to understand what you plan to do and how it would help you in the professional development of your arts practice. <u>Answers that are too brief, general or vague do not work in your favor.</u>

The highest priorities for funding are projects or activities with the potential to have substantial impact on the career development and working capacity or efficiency of the artists involved. Applications for assistance with normal, 'business as usual' expenses involved with the applicant's customary art practice or professional activities are not a high priority for funding and are generally not funded.

If you have a question about the suitability of your idea for an Inspiration Grant, ask the ArtsKC Grants Manager: Heather Beffa, beffa@artskc.org.

Project Name*
NAME OF PROJECT: Please give your project a brief descriptive name.
Character Limit: 100

Project Description*
Please provide a description of the project or activity to be funded.
Character Limit: 3000

Amount Requested*
Inspiration Grants to a single individual applicant range from a minimum of $250 to a maximum of $2,500.

Most grants awarded are for LESS than the maximum. The majority of Inspiration grants awarded range from $500 to $1,500.

Requests for $1,000 or less do not require any matching funds. Requests for more than $1,000 require matching funds for the amount of the request that is more than $1,000; one dollar of additional revenue should match every dollar in excess of $1,000.

For example, a project with a total expense budget of $2,000 is eligible for a grant request of $1,500, with $500 in matching revenue from other sources.

Personal funds can be used for the matching requirement if necessary.

Matching funds do not have to be secured before applying for the Inspiration grant.

Enter the amount of your Inspiration Grant request in the space below.

Character Limit: 20

Project Cost*
What is the total projected cost of the project or activity? Please enter the total of all expenses in the space below.

Character Limit: 20

Use of Grant Funds*
What is the proposed use of the grant funds?

Character Limit: 2000

Location of project or activity.*
In what geographical location does the project or activity take place? Select all that apply. If elements of the project are planned for both outside and inside the KC area, or in more than one area county, indicate that by choosing more than one item from the list below.

Choices
Outside of the Kansas City metro area
Clay County, MO
Jackson County, MO
Johnson County, KS
Platte County, MO
Wyandotte County, KS

KCMO residency*
Are you a resident of the city of Kansas City, Missouri?
(We ask this for our own reporting. City residency is not required for consideration.)

Choices
Yes
No

Activity Dates*
For this round, supported activities should take place between August 1, 2018 and May 30, 2019, although they can extend before and after this period.

When will your project take place?

Character Limit: 250

Local Community Impact*
In what ways do you think this project could have an impact on the local Kansas City creative community, or on the community at large?

Character Limit: 2500

Are Other Artists Involved?

If there are other artists involved in your project in a meaningful way, please list them below and explain briefly how they are involved.

If you are applying on behalf of an artist collective or a performing arts group, please provide the names and artistic disciplines for others in the group.

Character Limit: 1500

Advancement of Professional Development*

Explain how this project will advance your professional development as an artist or arts professional. For example, how might it provide valuable training or experience for your work? Will it help your ability to earn more revenue as an artist, or to expand or change the direction of your work? Will it help you to work more efficiently, or perhaps to explore new ideas? All of these elements can be valid contributions to enhancing your professional development as an artist.

NOTE: It is often helpful to explain how this project relates to your previous art practice or working experience, as well as to plans and goals for your work in the future.

Character Limit: 2500

Additional Information*

What other details about the project and your request for Inspiration grant funding would you like the review panelists to know?

If you are awarded less than the full amount requested, how would you consider adjusting your expense budget and/or making up the shortfall in revenue?

Character Limit: 1500

Project Budget*

Upload a budget document that includes all project income and all project expenses. The income should include the amount of your ArtsKC grant request. The source of any matching revenue, if required, should be shown. The total amount for expenses and the total amount of income should be equal to each other, so your budget is balanced.

This file may be an Excel, Word or PDF document.

File Size Limit: 2 MB

Use the Resume, Artist Statement and Bio sections below to tell the panel about yourself, your experience, and your work in general.

Resume*

Upload your professional resume or cv, OR your artist resume or cv

File Size Limit: 2 MB

Artist Statement or Bio
OPTIONAL: Upload your Artist Statement or Bio

File Size Limit: 2 MB

Use the Work Sample sections below to add up to six samples of your recent or current work.

Files can be PDF, JPEG, GIF, PNG, Doc, Docx, Xls, Xlsx, Txt or CSV. Files in JPG or PDF formats work the best.
The committee has a limited amount of time to review applications, so links to short excerpts are best. They are unlikely to sample more than a short section of longer works, so it's best to guide them as to what part you want them to see or hear if that's the case.
For writers, a total of no more than 10 - 15 pages of work sample material is recommended.

For performing artists, add web links to music, video, YouTube or Vimeo. Do not upload media files, because they do not work well with our grants system. You can type a web address in full "http" format in the boxes below to provide direct links to an address on the internet.
If your online link needs a password, please provide it in the work sample description.

Work Sample 1*
Upload a sample of your current work or recent work, or provide an internet link to it.

Provide information about the sample in the box below.

Character Limit: 500 | File Size Limit: 2 MB

Work Sample 2*
Upload a sample of your current work or recent work, or provide an internet link to it.

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Work Sample 3
Upload a sample of your current or recent work, or provide an internet link to it.

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Work Sample 4
Upload a sample of your current work or recent work, or provide an internet link to it.

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Work Sample 5

Upload a sample of your current or recent work, or provide an internet link to it.

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Work Sample 6

Upload a sample of your current or recent work, or provide an internet link to it.

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We recommend clicking "Save Application," then, let the page reload. Next, click on "Application Packet," at the top of the page to **preview your application and attachments as a combined PDF, <u>which is how our committee reviews it.</u>**
Up until the time you hit "Submit Application," or the deadline, you can return to your application online to revise and edit your request.
FINISHED? Be sure to click the **Submit Application** button!