



California Arts Council 2017–2018

GRANT PROGRAMS

The California Arts Council is a state agency dedicated to advancing California through the arts and creativity.

The California Arts Council invests in California nonprofit organizations and units of government via competitive grant programs, administered through a multistep public process. Grants support organizations and programs that foster community vibrancy, arts learning, and equitable access to the arts.

Unless otherwise specified, programs open in late 2017. Program details, including application deadlines, guidelines, and more, can be found at www.arts.ca.gov/programs.

ARTS PROJECT SUPPORT

ARTS AND ACCESSIBILITY (Administered by the National Arts and Disability Center): Up to \$1,500 to support artists with disabilities, and up to \$2,000 for organizations to enhance participation in the arts by people with disabilities. *Next application opens in January 2018.* Details at www.semel.ucla.edu/nadc/grants.

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

ARTS AND PUBLIC MEDIA: Up to \$18,000 to support the production and programming of multiplatform nonprofit media projects centered on the arts and culture in California.

CREATIVE CALIFORNIA COMMUNITIES: Up to \$150,000 over two years to support collaborative creative placemaking projects. *Next application opens in Fall of 2018.*

LOCAL IMPACT: Up to \$18,000 for community-driven arts projects by small and mid-sized arts groups.

REENTRY THROUGH THE ARTS: Up to \$50,000 for arts projects supporting formerly incarcerated adults.

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. *Next application opens in Fall of 2018.*

VETERANS IN THE ARTS: Up to \$18,000 for arts projects for veteran communities.

ARTS OPERATING SUPPORT

CULTURAL PATHWAYS: Up to \$20,000 over two years to strengthen the capacity of small organizations rooted in communities of color, recent immigrant and refugee communities, and tribal or indigenous groups.

ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT: Up to \$5,000 for consulting projects to build capacity of arts organizations.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT: Up to \$1,000 for access to professional development resources and networks to strengthen the business acumen of individuals employed by arts organizations.

STATE-LOCAL PARTNERSHIP: Up to \$35,000 to foster community development on the local level through partnerships between the California Arts Council and the state's designated local arts agencies. *Next application opens in Fall of 2018.*

STATEWIDE AND REGIONAL NETWORKS: Up to \$30,000 to support statewide and regional arts service organizations that serve as networks for artists, constituent organizations, and cultural communities.

ARTS EDUCATION SUPPORT

ARTS EDUCATION – ARTISTS IN SCHOOLS: Up to \$18,000 for collaborative arts education projects for students from infancy through Grade 12 taking place on school sites during the school day.

ARTS EDUCATION – EXTENSION: Up to \$18,000 for arts education projects for students from infancy through Grade 12 taking place after school or during the summer, either on school sites or in community settings.

ARTS EDUCATION – EXPOSURE: Up to \$18,000 for field trip and assembly support to expose students from infancy through Grade 12 to performances and exhibits.

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

JUMP StArts: Up to \$50,000 for collaborative arts education projects for youth involved in the juvenile justice system.





GRANT WRITING TIPS

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

- TIP 1:** Read the grant program guidelines thoroughly and familiarize yourself with our grant application system, calartscouncil.smartsimple.com.
- TIP 2:** Be specific and be clear. Successful proposals align with grant program requirements and goals; are tailored to a specific, clearly identified community; and are thoroughly developed.
- TIP 3:** Align your request narrative and your budget, and make sure your budget fulfills any matching fund requirements, if applicable.
- TIP 4:** Balance ambition and practicality with projects that fit the scale and scope of your organization.
- TIP 5:** Balance jargon and readability. Make sure to define terms clearly that may be unfamiliar to proposal reviewers.
- TIP 6:** Check spelling and grammar, and be sure to proofread!
- TIP 7:** Allow enough time to acquire signed letters of support, compile work samples, and complete the DataArts Profile and Funder Report accurately.
- TIP 8:** Know that we want you to succeed! Contact us with questions after you've read the program guidelines.

INFORMATIONAL WEBINAR: APPLYING FOR A CALIFORNIA ARTS COUNCIL GRANT

December 5, 2017 at 1:00 p.m.
Register at www.arts.ca.gov/programs

This grants webinar will provide an overview of the California Arts Council's application process, highlighting some changes and new additions to our grant offerings. Join us for tips for grant writing success and answers to your questions.

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

APPLICATION DEADLINES

Grant Program	Application Deadline
Professional Development	1/10/18, 3/1/18, 5/2/18
Artists in Communities	1/23/18
Arts Education - Extension	1/23/18
JUMP StArts	2/7/18
Statewide and Regional Networks	2/7/18
Cultural Pathways	2/7/18
Arts Education - Exposure	2/22/18
State-Local Partners	2/28/18
Organizational Development	3/1/18
Veterans in the Arts	3/1/18
Local Impact	3/8/18
Arts and Public Media	3/15/18
Arts Education - Artist in Schools	3/22/18
Arts Education - Professional Development	3/22/18
Reentry Through the Arts	3/22/18
Arts and Accessibility (apply through NADC)	Rolling Basis

All deadlines subject to change
Visit www.arts.ca.gov for more information

