Wednesday, March 1, 2023 2:00-3:30pm

GRANTS WORKSHOP!

Learn about San Mateo County's streamlined Arts & Culture Grant Opportunities
San Mateo County Arts Commission and The Office of Arts and Culture

2023 GRANTS
APPLY MARCH 6-24
We look to you as our partners, doing the important work to grow the arts and culture ecosystem to create a vital, healthy community.
To develop equitable and trust-based grantmaking practices, it is essential to build a respectful relationship between the OAC, the Arts Commission, and grantees, past and future. To do this, we will:

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<td>Design a streamlined online application and reporting system that is efficient, accessible, and user-friendly.</td>
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<td>Engage an expert panel of peer readers to review the applications along with the OAC staff and recommend funding priorities to the Arts Commissioners.</td>
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Eligibility

Must be an arts or cultural organizations located in or serving residents in San Mateo County.

Must be a 501(c)(3) or fiscally sponsored nonprofit organization in good standing with the Internal Revenue Service or a local public agency/entity.

Must have been in operation for 1+ years.

Must have a budget under $1,000,000.
2023-24 Grants Programs

Term: July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024

Final report due June 30, 2024

• General Support Grants

All funds may be used by the organization as needed to support the organization’s overhead, salaries, or other needs.

• Project/Program Grants

All funds may be used to support costs of a specific project or program.
Criteria

- Celebrate the arts and culture through programs that reflect diverse County needs
- Present effective arts and culture programs/services in San Mateo County
- Articulate a clear vision and plan for success and sustainability
- Embrace diversity, equity, and inclusion in the organization’s staff, board, and community served
- Demonstrate the organization is well-managed, effective, and financially viable
- Establish impactful goals and appropriate evaluation methods
- Partner/collaborate with others for community benefit and organizational efficiency
- Attract/secure diverse board members that are engaged and contribute financially
The Application

• In addition to organizational and contact information we ask:

• Describe your organization’s history, mission, and vision. (1,000 characters)

• What services/programs does your organization provide to residents of San Mateo County and what is the impact of those services/programs? How does your organization promote diversity, equity and inclusion through its programs? (1,500 characters)

• Do you collaborate/partner with other organizations, if so with whom and how? If not, please explain? (1,000 characters)

• List top three sources of funding. (250 characters)
The Narrative General Support

• What are your three most urgent organizational concerns/needs and how would a grant from the SMCAC help address those needs? (2,500 characters)

• Briefly describe the demographics of the population you serve, including the numbers you serve in San Mateo County. (1,000 characters)

• How do you engage community members, including those with lived experiences, to assure your strategies and solutions are tailored to meet the needs of the communities you serve? (1,500 characters)
• Describe in detail your project or program; include its work and/or approach towards equity and serving under-resourced populations. (2,500 characters)

• Briefly describe the demographics of the population you serve, including the numbers you serve in San Mateo County. (1,000 characters)

• How do you engage community members, including those with lived experiences, to assure your strategies and solutions are tailored to meet the needs of the communities you serve? (1,500 characters)

• What are the expected outcomes of the project/program and what metrics will you use to determine success?
Documents Required

- W-9 IRS Form
- Financial Statements for last fiscal year
- Current Organizational Budget
- DEI or Non-Discrimination policy or statement (if you have one)
- Project/Program Budget (For Project/Program Support Grants only)
Review Process

• A Peer Review Panel will use rubrics that reflect the County’s and Arts Commission’s equity policies to review and rank the applications.

• The Arts Commissioners will review the panel’s recommendations and award grants accordingly.
Important Dates
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- Application Available: March 6, 2023
- Application Deadline: March 24, 2023
- Panel Review: April 2023
- Grant Award Notification: May 2023
Thank you!

Questions?