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COMMUNITY IMPACT MICRO GRANTS GUIDELINES

Supporting accessible arts projects that enhance the cultural climate in our neighborhoods and communities.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Every 4th Friday of every other month.

WHO MAY APPLY: Non-profit organizations and/or individual artists

AWARD AMOUNT: \$1,000

PROJECT PERIOD: January – December 2023

*Community Impact Micro Grant award MAY BE awarded funding for **100%** of an applicants' total expenses.*

*Community Impact Micro Grant applicants are **NOT** required to provide a match of funds, which may be a combination of cash and in-kind contributions*

The Huntington Arts Council Community Impact Micro Grant provides grants to non-profit organizations, or an individual artist for arts & cultural projects and activities that enable Nassau and Suffolk communities to experience and engage with the performing, literary, media, and visual arts.

Funding Schedule

The Community Impact Micro Grant is awarded on a bi-monthly basis. Applications are due the 4th Friday of each month.

Notifications are sent upon panel review.

Artists and organizations can apply bi-monthly until they are funded.

Once awarded a Community Impact Micro Grant, you are ineligible to apply again within the same calendar year.

Funding Criteria

All Community Impact Micro Grant applications are reviewed for completeness and then sent to the respective panels. Applications are evaluated on the following criteria:

- Artistic: **40%**
- Public Impact: **40%**
- Fiscal and Managerial: **10%**
- Budget: **10%**

Grant Priorities

Community Impact Micro Grants priorities include:

- Providing an entry-level grant opportunity for individual artists and community organizations
- Goal of Micro Grant is to increase the future applicant pool for the Statewide Community Regrant Program
- Supporting arts centered programs and projects that have a demonstrable impact on their community
- Funding of immediate, stand alone or short term projects
- Funding that supports materials, artist fees, venue rental etc. for ongoing programming
- Supporting programs and projects that include underserved/underrepresented communities
- Partnerships with Community Organizations are not required but strongly encouraged.

Applicant Eligibility

- **Individual** artist applicants and **Non-Profit Organizations MUST** have a legal address in Nassau or Suffolk Counties (please note that a studio space in Nassau or Suffolk Counties is not considered a legal residence).
- **Non-Profit Organizations MUST** provide proof of nonprofit status through one of the following:
 1. U.S. Treasury Dept. under Section 501(c) 3 of the US Internal Revenue Code
 2. Board of Regents Charter of New York State Under Section 216 of the Education Law
 3. Registration with New York State Attorney General Division of Charities Registration
 4. Certification of Incorporation under Section 402 of the Not-for-Profit Law
 5. Authorization letter from a unit of local government

*Note: NY State tax exemption certificate from the Department of Taxation and Finance does **not** qualify as proof of nonprofit status.

- Projects **MUST** be artistic or cultural in nature, encompassing the visual, performing, media, literary arts or humanities.
- Projects **MUST** take place in the same county as the applicant, and serve the general public.
- Organizations **MUST** comply with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act ensuring accessibility for disabled persons.
- Individual Artists **MUST** be 18 years of age at the time of application.
- Projects **MUST** be open and accessible to public attendance and/or participation by the community.
- Final Reports must be submitted no later than 30 days upon completion of your funded program/project.

Ineligible Applicants

You are **not eligible to apply** to the Community Impact Micro Grant if you or your organization has:

- Applied directly to NYSCA for funding, *regardless of funding status*, for the calendar year 2023.
- Received funding for any SCR grant administered by Huntington Arts Council including: Creative Communities, Creative Individuals, Creative Learning (in Schools), Creative Learning (After School/Community Centers) and Capacity Building for the calendar year 2023.
- Received funding for a Community Impact Micro Grant in the calendar year 2023

Application Requirements

Applicant Profile: Submit general information including contact information, electoral district numbers, funding history, organizational mission.

Project Profile: Submit important details about your proposed project including title, project description and artistic discipline..

Public Impact: Describe in detail the public component/ population you plan to engage.

Fiscal and Managerial Profile: Describe in detail the essentials of your project, including how you plan to promote it and carry it out successfully. Be sure to include the anticipated date(s) of your event(s).

Budget: Submit your proposed budget for your project/program.

Certification of Application: Verify the information in the application form.