

Sammamish Arts Commission

Arts Grant Application

The Arts Grant Program provides funding for organizations, individuals, and youth to deliver exemplary projects in arts education, dance, design, folk and traditional arts, literary arts, media arts, musical theater, multidisciplinary works, theater, visual arts, and all other forms of art or artwork for the citizens of Sammamish. Organizations and individuals funded by the Arts Grant must demonstrate high quality arts programming and deliver a positive impact to the community while supporting projects that celebrate Sammamish's creative and cultural heritage, invite mutual respect for differing beliefs and values, and enrich humanity

This grant program provides available funding through four categories (mark or highlight categories you are applying for):

Neighborhood & Community Focus – projects that support art programs, events and services that promote arts, participation and build community.

City Artist Focus – projects that demonstrate high artistic quality, innovation, creativity in programming and artist selection and demonstrated ability by the artist that directly serve the community.

Educational Focus – projects that support art programs, events and services that include direct community educational projects.

Cultural Focus - projects that support art programs, events and services that include Sammamish's diverse culture and values, including capacity to support the City's underserved communities.

Arts Grant Application Questions

- 1. Applicant Name.
- 2. Artist or Organization Name and Mission Statement.
- 3. Name of project, activity or program with full description and amount of funding you're requesting for.
- 4. Identify the discipline(s) used in your programming: Dance, Theatre, Music, Opera, Media Arts, Design/Architecture, Literary Arts, Visual Arts, Folk Arts/Folklore, Multidisciplinary, etc. *The Commission looks to support programming in all disciplines when possible.*
- 5. Describe the programs and services you or your organization plans to provide. Provide a specific description of the programs and services provided by your organization. Information to include when and where programming will be held and whether the efforts are new or continuing. This is your opportunity to introduce yourself or your organization to the panel.
- 6. What are the program/project goals and how do you or your organization plan to achieve them? Beyond a description of your programming efforts for the coming year, list one or two goals or objectives that this funding will help you achieve.
- 7. Describe the methods you or your organization will use to determine and ensure artistic and/or programming quality.

 Artistic/Programming quality is determined in your selection and evaluation processes. Describe why your process is important to the project.
- 8. What impact does the community receive by having your programming take place? Why do you or your organization merit public funding from the Sammamish Arts Commission? This response should not be a description of your programming but describe why your programming is relevant and important to a particular community, neighborhood, or site.

- 9. Describe the primary audience/participants that will be served through your programming and explain any strategies you may have for broadening your audience. Describe your target audience. The Commission looks for individuals or organizations that make efforts to reach a broad audience. Describe your or your organization's efforts which may include growing your audience, increasing diversity, and/or providing services to underrepresented communities.
- 10. Please give in detail an itemize budget for requested amount of funding for your project or program.
- 11. What is the timeline for use of funds/implementation?
- 12. How will the success of the program be measured?
- 13. Is this a one-time expenditure or will there be an ask to fund it again in the future?
- 14. What is the plan if the Commission cannot fund or only partially fund your request?
- 15. Has this grant request been funded by other sources in the past? If so, please explain. Please give details other grants you or your organization receive and the amounts for those grants.

Please submit application, graphics, photos, and any other material that supports your application to Emily Scott, Recreation & Cultural Services Manager at escott@sammamish.us. Call 425-295-0524 or email if you have any questions during the open portal process.