

WHAT IS IT?

Administered by the Arizona Commission on the Art's AZ Youth Arts Council, the Youth Arts Engagement Grant is a funding opportunity for projects that support young people's stories and ideas through creative expression.

WHO'S IT FOR?

Arizona arts organizations, collaboratives, youth councils, clubs or similar organizations that are majority youth-led (20 years-old and under). An adult's role is as an ally or accomplice supporting and ensuring youth leadership and shared decision making.

ELIGIBILITY

- Main applicant must be under the age of 20
- Project is majority youth-led
- Project provides an artistic experience for the direct benefit of young people under the age of 20 in Arizona
- For projects taking place May 1 - July 30, 2021

AWARD AMOUNT

Applicants can request the following flat grant amounts: \$500, \$1,000, \$1,500. Funds may be distributed to individuals, Arizona nonprofit organizations or public schools, or individuals/collaboratives with a fiscal sponsor.

ELIGIBLE EXPENSES

Grant funds may be used for any of the following (this list is not comprehensive):

- Artist, consultant, and other fees
- Materials or supplies
- Travel costs
- Technology
- Space/rental fees
- Documentation

FUNDING PERIOD AND DUE DATE

Eligible project activities must take place between May 1 - July 30, 2021.

Application Period

February 15, 2021 - March 28, 2021

PRIMARY STAFF CONTACT

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TECHNICAL SUPPORT

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FUNDING RESTRICTIONS

This program does not fund the following:

- Food and beverages for any purpose.
- Fundraising projects.
- Scholarships, awards and competitions.
- Religious institution-led or religious group-sponsored projects not open to participation by noncongregants.
- Religious institution-led or religious group-sponsored projects whose primary purpose is the religious socialization of individuals or which exist as parts of religious sermons or services.

THE APPLICATION

When you're ready, go to <https://azarts.gov/grant/youth-art-engagement/> and click on "Apply Now." This will take you to a website called Submittable where you'll submit your application materials. Please note that late or incomplete applications will be ineligible for review or funding.

NARRATIVE

Address each of these aspects of your proposal.

You can type up your proposal narrative (1000 words),

or

You can upload it in a video or audio recording (no more than 7 minutes in length).

Project Overview

Provide a detailed description of your proposed project. What do you hope the project will achieve?

Collaborators

Who are the collaborators involved in this project? What do they bring to the table?

Youth-Led

What does youth-led look like in this project? How will the collaborators ensure shared power and decision making?

Community

Who does this project serve and why is it important to that community?

Project Timeline

Describe the timeline for the activities that will take place.

If you share your proposal narrative in a video or audio recording keep it simple and to the point. The recording should be just you, describing your proposal and answering the four questions listed above.

Please do not include edits of your work samples or special effects. Production quality of this recording will not be considered in your review. Just make sure we can hear and understand you and keep editing and post-production embellishment to a minimum.

PROJECT BUDGET

Project Expenses

List all project expenses and provide a short explanation of the expense.

Grant Amount Requested

Select which of the three flat grant amounts you are requesting for you project: \$500, \$1,000, or \$1,500

Budget Narrative

Use this space to bring your project budget to life, as if you were explaining it to the grant review panel.

WORK SAMPLES

Submit work samples your organization, collaboration or club has completed in the last 2 years. From the list below, please choose the most appropriate artistic work sample format to represent your discipline:

Applicant work samples (select one only)

- 3 minutes of recorded audio
- 3 minutes of recorded video
- 6 images
- 3 pages of double-spaced text or 3 poems

WORK SAMPLES DESCRIPTION

Provide a brief description explaining how the submitted work sample relates to your proposal. Why did you choose them? Include the following for each work sample:

- Title of the work

If applicable:

- Date completed/premiered
- Location/site of exhibition or presentation

EVALUATION CRITERIA

QUALITY OF PROPOSED OPPORTUNITY

Application demonstrates a strong collaboration and asset-based premise.

Does the application clearly outline the important details of the project? Have you articulated the specific assets and contributions of the collaborators and community involved?

POTENTIAL IMPACT

Application centers youth voice and leadership.

Do the young people have a voice in the development and implementation of the project?

VIABILITY

Application demonstrates a strong project plan and appropriateness of budget.

Does the application seem like it can be realized? Are the expenses you describe appropriate to the project you propose?

INTEGRITY OF PROPOSED PROJECT

Application demonstrates a consistency of proposed actions, values, methods, and goals.

Does the application articulate how the proposed project reflects or responds to the community?

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ARIZONA COMMISSION ON THE ARTS

One of 56 state and jurisdictional arts agencies across the United States, the Arizona Commission on the Arts is a 54-year-old agency of the State of Arizona and a leading force in the creative and professional development of Arizona's arts sector. Through robust programs, research initiatives and strategic grantmaking, the Arts Commission catalyzes arts-based partnerships that strengthen Arizona communities through the arts.

We imagine an Arizona where everyone can participate in and experience the arts.

For more information, contact us at (602) 771-6501 or email info@azarts.gov or visit www.azarts.gov. To request this or any other publication in an alternate format, contact the Arts Commission offices. An equal employment opportunity agency.

