

2018 Lincoln Arts Council (LAC) Project Grants

Application Deadline: Friday, December 15, 2017

OVERVIEW

In keeping with its mission “championing the arts connecting people, changing lives,” the Lincoln Arts Council is pleased to award grants to support arts projects in Lincoln. This funding can support any expense directly related with the project, except for those expenses itemized below under Restrictions. Grants will be awarded in amounts up to \$500.

TIMELINE

Applications will be accepted starting **October 20, 2017** and must be postmarked/e-dated no later than **December 15, 2017**. Projects that receive funding must occur between February 1, 2018 and December 31, 2018. Notification of funding will occur by January 22, 2018. A final report is due to LAC by February 15, 2019.

ELIGIBILITY

1. Applicant organization must be an arts organization (50% or more of budget is allocated for arts programming).
2. Applicant organization must be a current member of the LAC.
3. Applicant organization must be a 501(c)3 (submit documentation if not already on file with LAC).
4. The project must benefit Lincoln.
5. Requests must not exceed \$500 although the request may be used to supplement a larger budget.

FUNDING PRIORITIES

1. Arts projects or programs of the highest quality.
2. Arts projects or programs that reflect creativity and innovation.
3. Arts projects or programs which show cultural and generational diversity in programming.
4. Programs for under-resourced children and youth.

REVIEW CRITERIA

Applications are reviewed and scored by panelists on the following criteria:

1. Community impact, especially for under-resourced audiences. (40%)
2. Experience of the organization and/or experience and qualifications of artists and administrators of the project. (30%)
3. Inclusive programming: events or programs that include audiences from diverse cultural, demographic, geographic and economic backgrounds. (30%)
4. Additional scoring points will be given to projects not previously funded by an LAC Project Grant.

RESTRICTIONS

The grant will not fund the following:

- The purchase of equipment and/or software.
- Reception or per diem expenses.
- Faith-based (liturgical) programming.
- Training expenses.

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Application Cover Sheet – Application Deadline December 15, 2017

NOTE: APPLICATIONS PREFERRED IN HARD COPY.
COMPLETED FORMS WILL ALSO BE ACCEPTED BY EMAIL.

1. Name of Organization:

2. Contact Name:

3. Address, including city, state and zip code:

4. Phone Number:

5. Email Address:

6. Signature of person preparing the grant: _____

Application Narrative:

On **one page maximum**, answer these questions: (being succinct and clear is important)

If your grant is approved, how would the funds be used?

1. Describe the project.
2. How does the project support your mission?
3. Who are the people/group(s) that will benefit, and how will your project impact them.
4. Are there special efforts to make the project accessible or inclusive that we should know about?

Application budget:

Use the budget included or create your own that supplies the same information.

NOTE: PLEASE INCLUDE THE BUDGET FOR YOUR ENTIRE PROJECT, NO MATTER WHAT PERCENTAGE THE REQUESTED L.A.C. GRANT CONTRIBUTION REPRESENTS. WE NEED TO COMPARE ALL PROPOSALS WITH COMPARABLE INFORMATION. PARTIAL BUDGETS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

Note that we are not accepting additional materials.

Your application should be only the cover sheet, narrative, budget and 501(c)3 designation if not already on file with LAC.

Questions?

Contact Lori McAlister through email at lori@artscene.org or via phone at 402-434-2787.

Applications are accepted by mail, hand delivery or email until December 15, 2017

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PROJECT Specific EXPENSES	Cash(no inkind)	Detail Notes:
Marketing		
Space & Equipment rental		
Artistic Fees		
Misc. project expenses		
TOTAL EXPENSES		
PROJECT INCOME	Cash(no inkind)	Detail Notes:
Amount requested in LAC Project Grant		EXPENSE TO WHICH LAC FUNDS APPLIED:
TOTAL INCOME (Total income and total expenses must match)		