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ARTS CREATE GRANT

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KEY FACTS

- ◆ **Agency:** TX Commission on the Arts
- ◆ **Application Guide:**
<http://bit.ly/1YbCUmT>
- ◆ **Award:** *Minimum Request:* \$3,000
Maximum Request: 25% of the organization's last completed year's cash operating budget
- ◆ **Deadline:** March 1 of odd numbered years
- ◆ **Contact Information:**

Phone: (512) 463-5535 or
(800) 252-9415 (message line)

Mailing Address:
Texas Commission on the Arts
Post Office Box 13406
Austin, Texas 78711-3406

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Texas Commission on the Arts
920 Colorado, 5th floor
Austin, Texas 78701

SUMMARY

This grant provides multi-year operational support with the intent of advancing the creative economy of Texas by investing in arts organizations.

DESCRIPTION

Applicants write their grant for a one-year period, and if funded, will provide an update for the second year. Depending on the availability of funds, the organization's award amount will be the same for two fiscal years. New organizations may only apply in odd numbered years. For more information about this opportunity, please visit: <http://bit.ly/1nlMICK>

EVALUATION & SELECTION

Applications are reviewed based on Artistic Quality (50 points), Capability (25 points), and Impact (25 points). A general consideration is whether the application reflects the intent of the grant program. TCA staff will accept draft applications for review and comment up to two weeks before the deadline. To submit a draft, send an e-mail to draft@arts.state.tx.us and request a draft review. Include your organization name and the name of the proposal you want reviewed.

ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES

Established Arts Organizations with a budget between \$50,000 and \$1 million and College Arts Institutions

To be eligible for TCA grants, an organization must:

- 1) Be a tax-exempt nonprofit organization as designated by the Internal Revenue Service and/or must be an entity of government
- 2) Have their eligibility status established with the TCA prior to the deadline day; know that it can take two weeks or more to get confirmation from the IRS of nonprofit status and 990 financial information which may be required for categorization
- 3) Inform TCA if they believe their eligibility status has changed
- 4) Be incorporated in Texas
- 5) Have fulfilled all its outstanding contractual obligations to the State of Texas (i.e. taxes, etc.)
- 6) Comply with regulations pertaining to federal grant recipients including Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, the Education Amendments of 1972, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, and the Drug Free Workplace Act of 1988.