

ArtsWA – Project Support Guideline Information Sheet – What Fund and Don't Fund

PROJECT SUPPORT FUNDING EXAMPLES

Funded project events/opportunities **must be open to the public** and may include the following:

- Music, dance, or theater performances that are part of a season of events OR a stand-alone event
- Professionally juried visual art exhibitions
- Poetry and literary readings
- Literary publications or anthologies
- Traditional or folk arts performances/festivals
- Fees for professional guest artists, composers, costume designers, choreographers, etc.
- In-state tours by professional ensembles
- Royalties or rentals of equipment
- Broadcasts of the arts, for example via radio or webcasts
- Art films or videos, digital arts, web-based arts projects
- Arts events/projects that increase access for persons with disabilities, as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act
- Arts management training events
- Community artist residencies that result in presentations to the public
- Youth arts programs that occur outside of school and are not offered for school credit

WHAT WE CAN'T FUND

Project Support grants cannot be used to fund the following:

CERTAIN TYPES OF ACTIVITIES AT SCHOOLS, COLLEGES, UNIVERSITIES

- Events, activities, projects, or performances that are part of, or involve, academic or course credit
- Tuition assistance for college, university or other formal course of study that generates course credit

ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED BY AMATEURS, NON-PROFESSIONALS AND INDIVIDUALS

- Grants to individuals
- Expenses for an individual to attend contests, conferences, seminars or workshops
- Grants to students, student scholarships, or student or amateur work
- Amateur groups not under the direction or guidance of recognized professionals
- Touring of non-professional arts programs
- Payments to individuals with less than one year of independent professional experience
- Payments to board members of the applicant, unless made in compliance with Internal Revenue Service 501(c)(3) regulations that limit such payments to only professional services

CERTAIN TYPES OF PROJECTS OR PROGRAMS CONDUCTED BY OTHER STATE AGENCIES

Project Support grants cannot be used to fund state agency programs or projects that receive state appropriations for the same project.

PRIVATE PURPOSE AND RESTRICTED EVENTS

Project Support grants cannot be used to fund the following:

- Events that are not open to the public
- Activities primarily benefiting the organization membership or financed by artist entry fees, particularly those involving cash prizes
- Exhibitions not juried by professionals

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- Events not commonly recognized as a general public event, that are an integral part of a specific religion, or promote a religious observance
- Conferences benefiting a small group of people
- Hospitality expenses such as food, flowers, receptions and similar items
- Fund-raisers or benefit concerts

CERTAIN TYPES OF CAPITAL EXPENSES

Project Support grants cannot be used to fund the following capital expenses:

- Renovation, remodeling, restoration, or new construction of buildings
- Purchase of permanent equipment or real property, including public art installations

CERTAIN TYPES OF GENERAL EXPENSES AND DEFICITS

Project Support grants cannot be used to fund the following types of general expenses and deficits:

- Activities or expenses outside the grant period for these guidelines
- General operating support for the organization
- Activities that have occurred prior to the project period designated by the contract
- Requests to cover previous losses incurred by the organization

OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL

Project Support grants cannot be used to fund travel outside Washington. Travel expenses for artists to travel to perform in Washington State are allowable.