Culture supports

This program will begin shortly

Detail of *Summer Day* by Marky Kauffmann.
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Welcome

Michael J. Bobbitt, Executive Director
Mass Cultural Council
Today's presenters:

Dan Blask, Program Manager, He/Him/His

Carmen Plazas, Communications/Community Engagement Manager, She/Her/Hers
Today’s Q&A moderators:

Cheyenne Cohn-Postell, Program Officer, She/Her/Hers

Maggie Holtzberg, Ph.D., Program Manager, She/Her/Hers
Questions?

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• Your question might be answered as we go through the webinar. You can look ahead or follow along online.

• This webinar will be recorded and published to Mass Cultural Council’s YouTube page: https://www.youtube.com/user/MassCulturalCouncil
Today’s agenda

• Program Overview
• Eligibility
• Application Information
• Timeline
• Questions?

• Please note: this Information is a supplement to the published guidelines for the grant program and is not a substitute for reviewing the Guidelines on the Mass Cultural Council website.
Program Overview

Cultural Sector Recovery Grants for Individuals

Unrestricted grants of $5,000 to creatives and gig workers to support recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic and set a path for growth.

Naseem Alatrash (left) and Erini Tornesaki (right), photo by Dror Pikelny.
Program Eligibility

You are eligible to apply if you are:

• An artist or culture bearer active in any artistic discipline or cultural tradition

• A teaching artist, scientist, or humanist

• A cultural worker in the arts, humanities, and sciences
## Program Eligibility Continued

PLUS, you meet FIVE criteria:

- You are **18 or older**
- You are a **full-year resident** of Massachusetts
- Your work is **independent**
- You are **not a full-time student**
- You are **not a Mass Cultural Council staff or Council member or family of staff/Council**
Who should apply?

- Musicians and artists
- Instrument makers
- Dance, art, and music teachers
- Artists, creatives, and cultural workers of all kinds

Nacho González Nappa
Grants are $5,000

Unrestricted

Grantees decide how best to use the support

Cut paper tiger by Zhonghe (Elena) Li.
How Will Grants Be Decided?

- Funding Priorities
- Geographic Distribution
- Lottery-style Selection
Funding Priorities

• New Grantees
• Historically Under-funded applicants
• People in Under-resourced cities/towns

Detail of Crazy Eights (2018) by Laura Petrovich-Cheney.
Geographic Distribution

Grants awarded by region of the Commonwealth in proportion to the region’s application demand

Regions:
• Greater Boston
• Central
• Metrowest
• Northeast
• Southeast
• Western
Apply Using Grants Management System

https://massculturalcouncil.smartsimple.com

Your email address is your username - your unique ID

Have you applied to past Mass Cultural Council grants?

Yes – log in or click “Forgot Password?”

No – click “Register” to create Profile
Important: Update Your Profile

Funding Priorities will be determined using YOUR USER PROFILE from Grants Management System.
What is the timeline for this program?

Application Deadline: November 1, 2022 at 11:59:59pm ET

Award notification: January/February 2023

Final Report – How did you use the funds? – due: July 13, 2023
Other Opportunities for Individuals

• **Artist Fellowships**: No grants FY23 – stay tuned for redesign

• **STARS Residencies**: Grants to support creative learning residencies in the arts, sciences, and humanities

• **Local Cultural Councils**: Grants in local communities to support cultural projects with a public benefit

• **ArtSake**: Online resource to support Massachusetts artists

• **HireCulture**: database of cultural employment opportunities

• **Artist News**: e-newsletter to support Massachusetts artists
Questions?

Add questions to Q&A – we’ll do our best to answer!

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