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Power of culture

MASS MoCA exhibit.

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Detail of Summer Day from the Landscapes and Prayers series by Marky Kauffmann.

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Welcome

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Today's presenters:

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Questions?

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- We will answer questions via Zoom's Q&A feature throughout the webinar. To access the Q&A, click on the link at the bottom of your screen.
- 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

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- Program Overview
- Eligibility
- Grant Determinations
- 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 and FAQs on the Mass Cultural Council website.

Program Overview

Cultural Sector Recovery Grants for Organizations

Unrestricted grants ranging from \$5,000-\$75,000 to Massachusetts cultural organizations and businesses negatively impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Naseem Alatrash (left) and Erini Tornesaki (right), photo by Dror Pikielny.



Unrestricted Operating Support

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- Direct financial support to assist with staffing, occupancy, program expenses, and other operational needs.
- Facility upgrades, including costs associated with programmatic adaptation due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Technology and infrastructure costs for safe reopening of facilities.

These grant funds may not be used to pay expenses if another source of financial aid has paid that same expense.

Eligibility – 1. Fully Cultural

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primary mission or purpose is creating and/or presenting cultural activities or services to the cultural sector in the arts, humanities, and interpretive sciences.

A performance at the Bombyx Center for Arts and Equity.

Eligibility – 2. Organization Types

PLUS, you
must be
one of
the
following:

1. Federally or state-recognized tribe or
an Urban Indian organization

2. Fiscally-sponsored organization

3. For-profit corporation, cooperative,
partnership or Limited Liability Company

4. Municipal organization

5. Non-profit organization

1. Federally or state-recognized tribe or an Urban Indian organization

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With ties to the land that is currently known as “Massachusetts”

The Universe is My Regalia, a painting by Erin Genia.

2. Fiscally-sponsored organization

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Lowell Kinetic Sculpture Race

Either an unincorporated organization with a non-profit objective

Or an incorporated organization in the process of getting your federal tax-exempt status.

Must have Massachusetts address & conduct the majority of your programming in Massachusetts.

3. For-profit corporation, cooperative, partnership or Limited Liability Company

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Black Market Nubian event poster

Must also be:

- (1) privately owned by individuals*
- (2) has a Massachusetts address on the business' Federal Business or Partnership Tax Return, and
- (3) has three or fewer locations.

4. Municipal organization

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Chalk drawing advertising Maynard Cultural District's Sidewalk Chalk Art Content.

In Massachusetts

Creating and/or presenting **your own** public cultural activities.

Local Cultural Councils, Cultural Districts, Historical Commissions, etc. Remember **fully cultural** & **primary mission.**

5. Non-profit organization

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Massachusetts recognized non-profit

Including organizations registered as foreign corporations

federal tax-exempt status is currently active

Concert at Hopkinton Center for the Arts

What about...?

- Sole proprietorships and single-member LLCs: Yes, *but not for this program. Apply to grants for individuals*
- K-12 Schools, degree-granting institutions, programs with a parent organization: Ineligible



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

If eligible, apply!

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Goal is to fund all who apply



Cut paper tiger by Zhonghe (Elena) Li.

How Will Grants Be Decided?

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- \$5,000 - \$75,000
- Number of applicants
- Pre-pandemic operating expenses
- Prioritization categories



Angel Landing (2020) by Imo Imeh.

Funding Priorities – NOT Eligibility Requirements

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- New or unfunded applicants
- Historically under-resourced communities
- BIPOC-Centered*
- Under-resourced city/town
- Economic need
- Job creation
- Tourism impact
- Little/no other state & federal COVID relief

If eligible, apply!

Application deadline:

September 28, 2022

at 11:59pm

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Detail of *Anatidae's
Repose* (2017) by
Joyce Utting Schutter.

Apply Using Grants Management System

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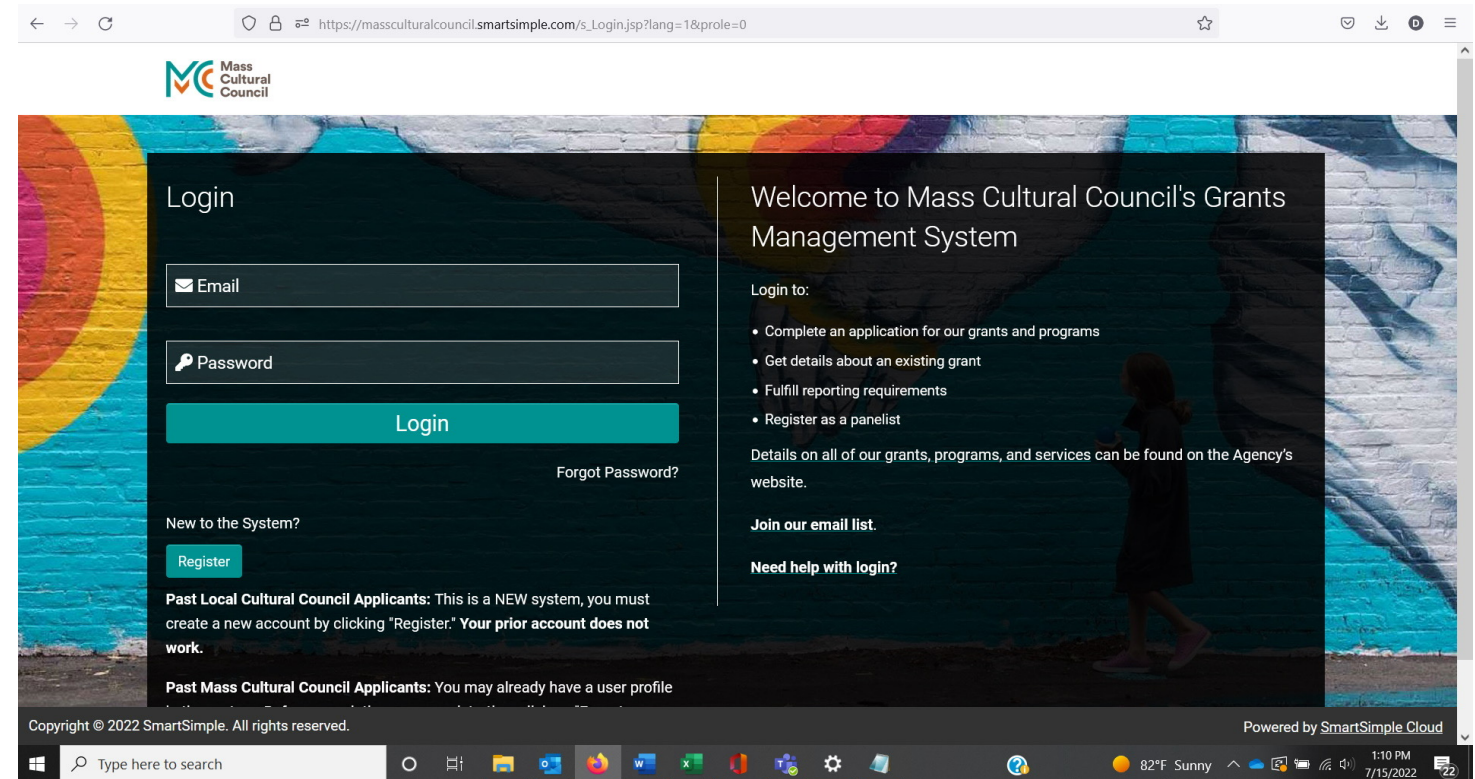
<https://massculturalcouncil.smartsimple.com>

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

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL https://massculturalcouncil.smartsimple.com/s_Login.jsp?lang=1&prole=0. The page features the Mass Cultural Council logo at the top left. The main content area is divided into two sections. On the left, under the heading "Login", there are input fields for "Email" and "Password", a teal "Login" button, and a "Forgot Password?" link. Below this, a "New to the System?" section includes a "Register" button. A notice for "Past Local Cultural Council Applicants" states that this is a new system and users must create a new account. Another notice for "Past Mass Cultural Council Applicants" mentions that users may already have a profile. On the right, a "Welcome to Mass Cultural Council's Grants Management System" message is displayed, followed by a "Login to:" section with a bulleted list of actions: "Complete an application for our grants and programs", "Get details about an existing grant", "Fulfill reporting requirements", and "Register as a panelist". Below this, it says "Details on all of our grants, programs, and services can be found on the Agency's website." and provides links for "Join our email list" and "Need help with login?". The footer of the page includes "Copyright © 2022 SmartSimple. All rights reserved." and "Powered by SmartSimple Cloud". The Windows taskbar at the bottom shows the time as 1:10 PM on 7/15/2022.

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Important: Update Your Profile

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Funding Priorities will be determined using **YOUR USER PROFILE** from the Grants Management System.

OPTIONAL, complete the **BIPOC-Centered Organization Self-Identification Form**.

Have at hand:

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Your federal tax forms for FY19, FY20, and FY21.

Non-profits	your federal form 990 or 990EZ
For-profits	your federal form 1120 or 1065.
For fiscally-sponsored organizations, and programs of municipalities, Tribal Governments, and non-profits that file a 990-N	provide a statement of income and expenses for FY19, FY20, and FY21, and a balance sheet if you have them.

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For fiscally-sponsored organizations, and programs of municipalities and Tribal Governments, and non-profits that file a 990-N	provide a statement of income and expenses for FY19, FY20, and FY21, and a balance sheet if you have them.
Founded during pandemic	provide a tax form or an internal statement of income and expenses for each year that you have them. When filling out the budget form, put '0' in any year that your organization did not exist.

What is the timeline for this program?

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Application is open now

If you need accommodations such as translation services or alternative formats, please submit a request at least 2 weeks prior to the application deadline

Application deadline: September 28, 2022 11:59pm EDT

Awards finalized; email notifications sent: Late January 2023

Contracts sent: February 2023

Final report deadline: July 14, 2023

- Grantees will be expected to complete a simple final report describing the use of their grant funds by July 14, 2023, for legislative reporting and advocacy purposes.

Ongoing support

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- Office hours, small group meetings: [Agency Dates](#)
- One-on-one assistance: [30-Minute Meetings with Program Staff](#)
- Email: organization.recovery@art.state.ma.us
- Phone: [617-858-2821](tel:617-858-2821)
- Grants Management System Help
Desk: Grants_HELP_DESK@ART.STATE.MA.US
- To stay up-to-date on Mass Cultural Council's latest news and deadlines, [sign up for our newsletter](#) or visit the [Power of Culture blog](#).



Questions?

Detail of *Portrait 36, after Manet's Olympia* (2021) by Dinora Justice.