

**FY 2008-2010
Cultural Arts Funding Programs
Guidelines Revisions**

Organizational Support

- No changes.

Project Support

- Delete section on funding priorities – out of date, not reflected in revised criteria of FY 2006.
- Increase maximum funding request from \$75,000 to \$100,000.
- Change program name to Project Support, previously Organizational/Project Support.

Project Support II

- Delete section on funding priorities – Same as Project Support above.
- Change deadline to May 1 – previously June 1.

Capacity Building

- CB Level I – Increase maximum request from \$2,500 to \$3,000.
- CB Level II – Increase maximum requests from \$10,000/\$5,000 to \$20,000/\$10,000.

Special Opportunities

- Increase eligibility to organizations with less than \$500,000 budgets, previously \$250,000.
- Reduce matching requirements to 1:1 match with ½ cash and ½ in-kind, previously 1:1 cash only.
- Implement new category for Organizational development.
- \$5000 maximum request for organizations (new), \$1500 for individuals, previously \$1000.

General

- Change Cultural Arts Advisory Board to Austin Arts Commission throughout.

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NEW PROGRAMS

Community Collaborations

This Program provides funding for community based arts and cultural projects involving two or more organizations. The applicant organization must be a 501c3 nonprofit organization. One of the primary organizations in the proposed collaboration must also be an arts organization.

The purpose of this category is strengthen the artistic community of Austin by supporting arts projects that: foster collaboration between arts and community organizations, support unique and innovative arts programming and projects, impact broad cross sectors of the community, and/or build partnerships across artistic disciplines.

Funding requests

Request for funding up to \$10,000

1:1 match 50% cash 50% in-kind

Deadline is the first Monday of each month and at least 30 days prior to the implementation of project activities.

Community Collaborations funding cannot be used for activities already receiving funding through the Cultural Arts Funding Programs. Community Collaborations funding may not be used for the same project two years in a row. Organizations may receive funding or participate as a collaborative partner only once per funding cycle.

Community Initiatives

This program provides support for smaller community arts projects and activities that may develop throughout the year.

Proposed activities must be developed by arts producing and/or presenting organizations and include a direct public impact and/or involvement.

The purpose of the Community Initiatives Program is to support public arts and cultural programming that celebrates Austin's culture of creativity and to encourage collaboration, innovation, accessibility, and cultural tourism.

Funding requests

Request for funding up to \$3,000

1:1 match 50% cash 50% in-kind

Deadline is the first Monday of each month and at least 30 days prior to the implementation of project activities. Applicants to the Community Initiatives Program may not already receive funding through the Core Cultural Arts Funding Programs. Organizations may receive funding only once per funding cycle.