



2020 Emergency Arts Relief Grant Guidelines

About

Emergency Arts Relief Grants provide financial support to creative individuals and community groups who have experienced lost income from the postponement and/or cancellation of specific, scheduled opportunities or programs due to the outbreak of COVID-19. This grant program is administered by The ARTS Council of the Southern Finger Lakes with funding from the Community Foundation of Elmira-Corning and the Finger Lakes.

Applicant Eligibility

Individuals and community groups located in Chemung, Schuyler, and Steuben counties may apply.

Individuals must be 18 years or older. Community groups do not need non-profit status.

Project Eligibility

The following is an example of postponed and/or cancelled opportunities or programs eligible to be funded by this grant:

- Workshops, commissions, readings, performances, concerts, exhibitions

This is not an exhaustive list and is purposely left flexible, however, the lost income must be from a previously scheduled arts and/or cultural related activity. Opportunities or programs could have occurred anywhere.

Activities whose sole purpose is fundraising, scholarships, fellowships, awards, or activities that have already received funding from The ARTS Council and/or Community Foundation cannot be supported by Emergency Arts Relief Grant funding.

Grant Amount & Funding Eligibility

Grants for up to \$250 per lost income opportunity or program are available. Granted funds can be used at the applicant's discretion to best serve their financial needs.

Award Criteria

Applications are reviewed and evaluated on the following basis:

- Meeting the eligibility requirements
- Impact of lost income
- Proof of lost income
- Applications that are clear, concise, and complete

Application Process and Deadlines

There is no application deadline. Applications are reviewed by The ARTS Council staff on a rolling basis based on the availability of limited funds.

The application consists of the following components:

- Applicant Information
- Opportunity or Project Information

Applications must be submitted online at <https://earts.submittable.com/submit>. Proof of postponement and/or cancellation must be included in order for your application to be eligible.

Multiple applications are allowed.

Award Notification & Distribution of Funds

Applicants will receive award notification via email approximately 1 week after the application submission. Grant recipients must sign and return an acceptance agreement attached to award notification along with a W9 if applicable. Distribution of funds will be made only when this is received.

Final Reporting

There is no final report required for this grant program.

Assistance and Support

All applicants are encouraged to discuss an application before making a submission. Please contact Chris Walters, The ARTS Council's Grants Manager & Gallery Curator, at chris@eARTS.org.

About The ARTS Council of the Southern Finger Lakes

The ARTS Council of the Southern Finger Lakes (The ARTS Council) is a regional arts services organization located in the Southern Tier of New York State serving artists of all disciplines, organizations, and the public in Chemung, Schuyler, Steuben, and Tioga counties and beyond. Further information is available at www.eARTS.org.