

Regional Artist Project Grant 2009-2010 Guidelines

Purpose

The Regional Artist Project Grant provides financial support to committed, gifted, individual artists and small-unincorporated groups of collaborating artists. The grant is awarded to projects that have artistic merit and promise to advance the career of the artist or group. The grant is open to emerging and established artists.

Sponsorship

The Sponsorship of the RAPG for 2009-2010 is funded by the Art Council of Henderson County, the Haywood Arts Council, the Tryon Fine Arts Center and the Transylvania Community Arts Council and is supported by a grant from the North Carolina Arts Council.

Eligibility

- **Individual artists and small, unincorporated groups of collaborating artists**
- **Applicants may be either emerging artists or established artists and should possess a strong record of artistic accomplishment appropriate to the stage of the applicant's career**
- **The applicant must be a resident of Henderson, Haywood, Polk or Transylvania counties and have resided there twelve months or from August, 2008.**
- **Applicants must be 18 years of age and not be enrolled in a degree or certificate program**
- **RAPG recipients who were awarded the grant within the last three years are not eligible**
- **Each member of a small unincorporated group of collaborating artists must meet the eligibility requirements and shall not circumvent these requirements by applying for what is really a collaborative effort.**

Projects

The RAPG is designed to award projects that will advance the applicant's career in demonstrable ways. The relationship of the project to the career advancement of the applicant must be clearly defined in the "Narrative" section of the application.

Examples:

- **Completion/production of a new work [cost of purchasing materials to complete a new work or facility rental for presentation]**
- **Career Promotion [demonstration CDs, portfolios, editorial assistance]**
- **Equipment [the cost of purchasing equipment to complete the project]**
- **Training [advanced study, coaching, or workshops that will enhance the applicant's abilities]**
- **Travel [costs for transportation, lodging, food associated with training, workshops, seminars or research]**

Grants may not be used for scholarships to assist in obtaining degrees either academic or professional.

Evaluation

A volunteer panel will evaluate applications based upon the following criteria:

- **Quality of the applicant's work**
- **Commitment to a professional artistic career**
- **The project's ability to advance the career in demonstrable ways**
- **Feasibility and realistic budget**

Submission

**Mail to: The Arts Council of Henderson County
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Hendersonville, NC 28792**

Deadline – August 1, 2009

Questions: Call 828-693-8504 or email: acofhc@bellsouth.net