



GUIDELINES FOR ALL-DIGITAL GRANT PROCESS 2020-2021

STATEWIDE CREATIVE CATALYST GRANTS

DUE DATES: ROLLING

Mission:

To strengthen the cultural, educational, and economic vitality of Pennsylvania's communities through the arts.

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STATEWIDE CREATIVE CATALYST DESCRIPTION:

Statewide Creative Catalyst Grants support proposals that incorporate **ALL** of the following components:

1. Align with one or more of the three goals of the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts:
 - ✓ Strengthen Pennsylvania communities through the arts.
 - ✓ Connect and increase Pennsylvanians' access to lifelong learning through the arts.
 - ✓ Champion public awareness and appreciation of the arts in Pennsylvania communities.
2. Demonstrate statewide benefit for the creative sector in Pennsylvania.
3. Include mechanisms to implement the PCA's overarching value of diversity, equity and inclusion.
4. Budget Considerations:
 - ✓ Up to 25% of grant can be used for administrative expenses.
 - ✓ \$1:\$1 Match IS required.

Please note the following:

- Typical grant amounts are between \$5,000 and \$10,000.
- Please note that this is NOT for on-going support or for an annual source of funds. For those types of applications/projects, please contact the PCA for more information.

ELIGIBILITY:

- Organizations must be nonprofit, tax-exempt corporations, a unit of government; college or university; school district or non-arts nonprofit providing arts programming and/or arts services in Pennsylvania. Organizations are required to provide proof of incorporation and activity in Pennsylvania before applications are reviewed or funds awarded.

FUNDING PROCESS:

- Applications are submitted online to the PCA.
- PCA staff reviews application(s) based on the above components and makes recommendations to the Council, the PCA's governing body.
- The Council acts on staff recommendations during their quarterly meetings.
- Those receiving awards will be sent a letter outlining the next steps in the grant process.

HOW TO APPLY:

- STEP 1. READ THIS DOCUMENT.
- STEP 2. CONTACT Jamie Dunlap at jadunlap@pa.gov/717.525.5542 **BEFORE** submission.
- STEP 3. REGISTER and APPLY THROUGH <https://www.esa.dced.state.pa.us>.
- STEP 4. SUBMIT ONLINE. No hard copies are required.

NEED HELP?

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