Arts & Cultural Affairs Fund

The City Manager’s Office administers the Arts & Cultural Affairs Fund. This money is designated to support and foster creative programs and initiatives that nurture the development of a rich and sustained arts community, drive tourism, promote economic development, and contribute to Davis as a visitor destination and incubator for imaginative public programming. The fund will support emerging, innovative, creative capacity building in Davis. Up to $120,000 is allocated to continue this program into 2019. This funding is separate from the Community Arts grants.

Eligibility
In order to request funding, applicants must meet one or more of the following criteria:
- Creative/innovative activities that are available to and involve Davis residents, visitors, businesses, and organizations in the pursuit of promoting a vital arts scene.
- Programs that encourage tourism and promote overnight hotel stays.
- Arts providers requiring support to obtain venues for creative programs (including City-owned and operated venues and other locations).
- Local non-profit arts providers or programs that support creative capacity building.
- Public festivals whose core purpose celebrates Arts or Culture in our region.
- Emerging arts organizations based in, or directly serving, the Davis community.
- City-selected special projects that elevate the core mission of the arts program.

Process for requesting funds
Funding is available on a first-come, first-served basis, and allocated at the discretion of a committee consisting of members of the Civic Arts Commission, City Manager’s Office, and Visit Yolo. The committee will review and approve funding requests on a quarterly basis. Awards must be requested in writing, at least 2 months prior to planned expenditure of the funds. Exceptions to this may be made on a case-by-case basis under extenuating circumstances. Proposed requests for funding will be reviewed and awarded at the end of January, April, August, and December; and annual funding will be available until funds have been depleted.

Applicant Requirements
- Applicants must be in good financial standing with the City.
- Preference will be given to emerging projects, and enhancements to existing programs.
- Projects must comply with all City permitting and legal requirements.
- It is up to the applicant to understand and comply with prevailing wage laws.
- Publicity must acknowledge support, sponsorship, or underwriting by the City of Davis.
Proposal for City Support

General Information
Organization Name______________________________________________

Principal Officer Name/Title________________________________________

Contact Person Name/Title__________________________________________

Contact Phone: Day________________________ Evening__________________

Contact E-Mail ____________________________________________________

Applicant’s Mailing Address _________________________________________

Is your organization:
☐ A 501(c)3 non-profit organization
☐ A smaller arts organization operating under a fiscal sponsor
☐ Other. Please explain________________________________________________

Amount requested $________________________________________________

Certification
By signing, the applicant certifies that all information included in this proposal is as complete and accurate as possible, and that, if funded, the applicant will comply with the city’s non-discrimination ordinance.

________________________________________ Date

Applicant’s Signature and Title

SUBMIT YOUR SIGNED PROPOSAL TO:
Arts & Cultural Affairs, City Manager’s Office, City of Davis, 23 Russell Blvd., Davis CA 95616

For questions or more information: Rachel Hartsough 530-757-5640, rhartsough@cityofdavis.org

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Please submit a brief written proposal responding to all of the following questions.

**Project Description**
All projects must take place within the City of Davis.
What do you plan to do? How? When? Where?

Project Title ________________________________________________________________

**Project Goals**  
Select and explain how your project addresses one or more of the funding criteria:

- Creative/innovative activities that are available to and involve Davis residents, visitors, businesses, and organizations in the pursuit of promoting a vital arts scene.
- Innovative programming that supports economic development in and around the City of Davis.
- Programs that encourage tourists and visitors to Davis, and promote overnight stays.
- Arts providers requiring support to subsidize venue rental fees for creative programs.
- Local non-profit arts providers or programs that support creative capacity building.
- Public festivals whose core purpose celebrates Arts or Culture in our region.
- Emerging artists and arts or cultural organizations.
- Other ________________________________________________________________

**Target Audience**
Who is your target audience? How would support provide increased access to the Arts for this group?

**Publicity**
How will you publicize your project or event to the larger Davis community or your target audience?

**Project Costs**
Explain how funding support will be used. Please note other sources of funding or underwriting. If funding is awarded, applicant may be asked to justify and account for actual spending.

**Questions?**
Contact Arts & Culture Manager Rachel Hartsough 530-757-5640, rhartsough@cityofdavis.org