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RESTART NY REGRANTS

Live Performance Grants

2021 - 2022 GUIDELINES

A Regrant Program of the
New York State Council on the Arts



In an effort to support New York's return to live, in-person performances, the New York State Council on the Arts (NYSCA) is providing funding to eligible applicants for planned performance programming in 2021 - 2022.

NYSCA recognizes that performing arts organizations, and the artists that work with them, have been deeply impacted by COVID-19. This streamlined regrant program is designed to get funds into the hands of municipalities, libraries, 501(c)3 nonprofit organizations, and individual artists quickly, to fund live, in-person events.

The Restart NY Regrants Program focuses on reviving live, in-person performances on a local level. In-person performing arts programming will be given priority in this special round of funding.

Overview

- **Restart NY Regrants projects must have a live, in-person, public element**
- **Application Deadline: Thursday, September 30, 2021, 11:59pm**
- Award Amount: \$1,000 - \$3,000
- Project Period: July 01, 2021 - June 30, 2022 (Completed or partially completed projects may be funded retroactively)
- Restart NY Regrants projects must be artistic or cultural in nature
- Restart NY Regrants do NOT require matching funds; awards may fund up to 100% of a project's total expenses
- Applicants are limited to ONE Restart NY Regrants request
- NOTE: 2021 DEC/SCR grantees may still apply for Restart NY Regrants funding for a different performance or event. Restart NY Regrants applicants may also apply for 2022 SCR funding for a completely different 2022 project.

Eligibility

- Municipalities, libraries, & 501(c)3 non-profits, incorporated within Jefferson, Lewis, or St. Lawrence Counties, established for at least one year, which conduct all activities with non-discriminating practices
- Governmental or quasi-governmental entities, or tribal organizations
- Individual artists (18 and older), collectives, or unincorporated organizations may apply through a fiscal sponsor - a municipality, library, or 501(c)3 non-profit organization that meets the eligibility requirements.
 - Fiscal Sponsor must be based in the applicant's county
 - Applicant must attach a letter of commitment from the sponsoring organization, confirming partnership and outline the scope of the partnership

Fundable Project Expenses

- **At least 60% of the award is restricted to compensation for artistic/creative professionals**
- The project must take place in the county where the applicant is physically located
- Funded events must be open to the public and accessible to disabled persons
- Applicants cannot apply for support to cover a performance or event that is currently being funded by another state or federal grant (DEC/SCR, NYSCA or NEA)
- Funds may not be used to cover expenses already covered by another government fund (Paycheck Protection Program, Shuttered Venue Operators Grant, etc.)
- Grant funds may not be used for expenses that occur out-of-state (travel, food, personnel, etc.)
- Applicants may also apply for an SCR grant as long as the project and expenses remain discrete.

Evaluation Criteria & Review

- **Priority funding is targeted to projects that have a live public performance event; secondarily, if funds remain, projects that have an in-person public element are also eligible.**
- Applications are reviewed for completeness, and then submitted for panel review.
- Applications will be evaluated based on
 - Artistic Merit
 - Community Engagement
 - Use of Funds
 - Promotional Plan
- A peer review panel will score each application based on evaluation criteria

Awards

- Total Amount to Regrant: \$24,617
- Grant recipients must submit a signed contract
- Grant recipients will be required to submit a final report within 30 days of project completion
- Because this opportunity is provided through one-time relief funding, the appeals process will not apply.