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Applications open for 2022 City of Kingston Arts Fund Operating and Project Grants

The Kingston Arts Council (KAC) is now accepting applications for Operating and Project Grants as part of the 2022 City of Kingston Arts Fund (CKAF). This funding program is administered each year by the KAC on behalf of the City of Kingston and provides grants to local arts organizations and collectives to enrich how Kingston residents experience and engage with the arts. CKAF nurtures the capacity of the arts, artists, and arts sector in Kingston while fostering creativity, encouraging social cohesion, enhancing the quality of life, and stimulating economic development through direct investment. The City investment for the 2022 CKAF Operating and Project Grants is \$580,431.

2022 CKAF Grant Guidelines and **Application Forms** are available for download on the KAC <u>website</u>. Applications must be submitted by email. If you require assistance with an application or would like to meet with the KAC about your application, please contact Felix Lee, Executive Director at <u>grants@artskingston.ca</u>.

New in 2022: Individual professional artists are now eligible to apply to CKAF Project Grants. Complete application requirements, including the criteria for eligible projects and the definition of a professional artist, can be found in the Grant Guidelines.

Deadline:

Applications to CKAF Operating and Project grants are due **Wednesday**, **13 April 2022 by 5:00 pm EST**.

Information Session

The KAC will be hosting a **CKAF Information Session** on **Tuesday**, **8 March**, **6:30 pm** - **7:30 pm** via Zoom. The session is intended for new and returning Project Grant

applicants but is not mandatory. It will include a detailed review of the 2022 Project Grant Guidelines, Application Forms and Assessment Criteria, as well as a Q&A about the CKAF grant process.

More information can be found on the KAC website: https://www.artskingston.ca/.

About the City of Kingston Arts Fund

In 2007, Kingston City Council established the City of Kingston Arts Fund, comprised of \$100,000 from the Healthy Community Fund Program and an additional \$400,000 in new funding. The Kingston Arts Council was contracted to administer CKAF and Kingston City Council has continued to invest in the funding program growth each year as part of its commitment to supporting arts and culture in Kingston. CKAF nurtures the capacity of the arts, artists, and arts sector in Kingston while fostering creativity, encouraging social cohesion, enhancing the quality of life, and stimulating economic development through direct investment. Through this program, the City of Kingston has invested close to \$7.4 million since its inception.

In 2021, in addition to City of Kingston Arts Fund Operating and Project Grants, Kingston City Council allocated an additional \$200,000 in one-time funding to support individual artists and non-profit arts organizations in recognition of the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. Learn more on the KAC website: https://www.artskingston.ca/city-of-kingston-arts-fund-2/

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