

Grant Talks: CKAF Edition

On Thursday, March 3, the Kingston Arts Council held a special edition of Grant Talks, a free, interactive information session where individuals, artists, and organizations get together and learn about granting opportunities. This edition of Grant Talks was all about the 2016 City of Kingston Arts Fund, valued at \$543,000, that provides grants to local arts groups and organizations to foster creativity at all levels and enrich how Kingston residents experience and engage with the arts.



Administered annually by the Kingston Arts Council, the City of Kingston Arts Fund is comprised of two categories: Operating Grants and Project Grants. The Fund is divided with approximately 70 per cent going toward Operating Grants and 30 per cent towards Project Grants.



Our Grants Officer, Katharine Vingoe-Cram led the group through an information session, sharing what was new and different with this year's grants, and facilitated an interactive workshop that focused on the "visioning" portion of the application process. One of the aspects that Katharine focused on was to demonstrate to individual artists the opportunities they had to apply to CKAF through the forming of a collective.



For this year's Grant Talks program, we tripled attendance since last year's sessions and had an incredibly diverse group of artists and organizations attend.



Thank you to the Kingston Frontenac Public Library for the space, Steven Smith for volunteering his time to help set-up and sign-in guests, and to Sarah Weatherdon for the photographs.



Application Guidelines and Forms are available for download on the KAC website:

<http://www.artskingston.ca/index.cfm/funding-advocacy/ckaf/apply-for-ckaf/>.

Deadlines:

- Operating Grant Applications – Friday, April 15, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.
- Project Grant Applications – Friday, April 22, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

For more information or to book a 30-minute meeting with the KAC Grants Officer regarding CKAF, please email Katharine Vingoe-Cram at katharine@artskingston.ca.