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Applications open for 2024 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 2024 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, collectives, and individual artists 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 quality of life for Kingston residents, and stimulating economic development through direct investment.

CKAF Operating Grants provide annual stable funding for non-profit arts organizations in Kingston, while Project Grants fund the creation and presentation of artistic projects that support the CKAF program objectives. Complete application requirements and information about the program including eligibility and assessment criteria can be found in the Grant Guidelines.

2024 CKAF Grant Guidelines and **Application Forms** are available for download on the KAC <u>website</u>. Applications must be submitted via email. If you require assistance with an application or would like to meet with the KAC about your application, please contact Violet Tang, Grants and Programs Coordinator at <u>grants@artskingston.ca</u>.

Deadline

Applications for both CKAF Operating and Project Grants are due **Monday, 22 April 2024 by 11:59 PM EST**.

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Information Session

The KAC will be hosting a **CKAF Project Grants Information Session** on Monday, 18 March 2024 from 5:30–6:30 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 2024 Project Grant Guidelines, Application Forms, and Assessment Criteria, as well as a Q&A with KAC staff.

Returning CKAF Operating Grant applicants are encouraged to meet with KAC staff directly; first-time applicants to the Operating Grant stream are required to book a consultation with the Grants and Programs Coordinator before 17 March 2024 to be eligible to apply.

More information can be found on the KAC website: https://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 its 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 quality of life for Kingston residents, and stimulating economic development through direct investment. The City of Kingston arts Fund has invested approximately \$9.1 million through this program since its inception.

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