



About Arts Organization Support

Program Overview:

Provides stable and consistent funding to arts organizations across varied geographies and budget sizes. The program is open every odd calendar year, and applicants funded in this program will be funded for two fiscal years (FY26 and FY27).

Program Goal:

A wide range of the state's arts organizations can make high-quality artistic experiences available to both residents and visitors through equitably distributed and meaningful grant awards.

Program Outcomes

- In every Indiana county, people and communities have access to arts experiences§.
- Indiana's arts providers have expanded opportunities to enhance the quality of life in their communities§.

[§ IAC 2024 – 2028 Long-Term Strategic Framework Impact](#)

Review Criteria*

Artistic Quality (40%)

The extent to which:

- Quality artistic, educational, and/or cultural activities are offered
- Artists, arts educators, and leadership staff/contractors are qualified
- Applicant demonstrates a commitment to artistic growth

Community Benefit, Inclusion and Accessibility (30%)

The extent to which:

- The applicant can describe the community it serves
- The applicant can describe how the community will benefit from the artistic, educational, and/or cultural activities the applicant provides
- Intentional efforts are made to directly engage with underserved populations
- The applicant's programming is accessible

Organizational Planning, Impact and Management (30%)

The extent to which:

- Applicant goals are defined, and plans are in place to measure impact
- Applicant demonstrates sound management and fiscal practices

* Reviewers should consider applicant budget tier and number of paid and volunteer staff when applying review criteria