

# Arts Project Support (APS) Reviewers Fiscal Year 2026

The Indiana Arts Commission (IAC) is seeking reviewers to support the Arts Project Support (APS) grant application evaluation. APS provides funding to support a public-facing short-term arts project or a series of arts activities. Examples include performances; exhibits; arts festivals; arts and cultural planning; arts learning for specific populations such as older adults or youth; public art or some other arts-based or arts-serving activity.

Reviewers play a significant role in application evaluation for public funding by reviewing, scoring, and providing comments on submitted applications. The IAC seeks a variety of experiences and backgrounds to foster greater dialogue, awareness, and understanding, while also including the many perspectives that make up the state of Indiana to review and evaluate grant applications.

#### What do APS Reviewers do?

Selected reviewers can expect the following:

- March 11 or 12: attend a virtual reviewer training
- March through April: review and evaluate applications, with an estimated commitment of 50 hours over six weeks
  - All reviews are completed remotely in the IAC online grants management system without convening for a panel discussion
- Receive a stipend of \$1,000 for attending the virtual reviewer training and reviewing applications by scoring and providing written comments for each

#### Who are we looking for?

- Individuals with experience in public sector or non-profit administration in either arts or non-arts organizations
- Artists of all kinds
- Arts educators
- Individuals with experience in community development, economic development, or tourism
- Individuals representing the geographic diversity of Indiana, especially those from more rural areas

### What do I need to review applications?

 Reviewers need reliable internet and a computer to submit reviews in the IAC online grants management system • All other materials, including instructions to access the online grants system, program guidelines, criteria, scoring rubric, and additional reviewer guidance is provided by the IAC at the beginning of the review period

## How do I indicate my interest in being a Reviewer?

• Complete the Indiana Arts Commission Application Reviewer Interest Form