

Community Arts Council of Creston Funding Programs for Artists and Community Arts Groups

BC Arts Council Support to Member Groups

Program Overview

The BC Arts Council provides funds each year to enable the Community of Creston Arts Council to support the operations of its member groups. The amount of funding received is based on a per-capita formula and is determined by the BC Arts Council, depending on the level of funding that the BC Arts Council receives from the provincial government.

Grant amounts dispersed to members of the Creston Arts Council vary, depending on the level of funding received and on the number of member groups applying. Typically, grants are for approximately \$250.

Funding levels, eligibility criteria, and deadlines are determined by BC Arts Council.

Eligibility and Criteria

Organizations with a current membership with the Community of Creston Arts Council are eligible to apply. Individual artists are *not* eligible.

Funding may be used for operating costs, ongoing programs, or special projects. Capital projects are not eligible. The use of the funds must be specified on the application form.

How to Apply

Only those member groups who have submitted an application *specifically for these funds* will receive funding.

The two-page application form requires information on the program or project being funded, including participant and audience numbers for the current and, if applicable, previous year. It also requires details on the organization's operating budget; a copy of the previous year's annual financial statement may be requested.

Applications forms are available at Creston Arts Council Members' Meetings and on the Council website at crestonvalleyartscouncil.com. Late applications *cannot* be accepted.

Deadline

At or before the Annual General Meeting in September. Late applications **cannot** be accepted.

Other Information

BC Arts Council disburses funds to the Creston Arts Council in February or March following the application deadline. Funds are disbursed by the Creston Arts Council in March or April. The Creston Arts Council *cannot* disburse these funds prior to this date, so it is highly recommended that member groups apply for projects or programs occurring after May 1.

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Town of Creston Grants-in-Aid

Program Overview

These funds are used to increase public awareness throughout the Creston Arts Council area through supporting the development of artists, arts and culture events and culture and heritage.

Eligibility and Criteria

All arts and cultural organizations and individuals based in the Creston Valley (Riondel to Yahk) are eligible to apply. Commercial organizations may apply, provided the project has a clearly defined purpose of greater value than solely the enrichment of the commercial enterprise.

Any given organization or individual may only apply once per Arts Council budget year (July 1 – June 30).

Applications must be for a specific project, and the project must be new or in its second year. Grants-in-aid will not be made more than twice for the same project. Applications must show a funding partnership or other income. Grants will not exceed 50% of the total budget. Retroactive projects will **not** be considered.

In general, grants will not exceed \$250. Organizations may request a grant of up to \$500 for projects that are regional or provincial in scope. It is your responsibility to demonstrate how your project benefits the entire region of the CACC if you wish to request more than \$250.

How to Apply

Applications forms are available at Arts Council Members' Meetings and on the Council website at crestonvalleyartscouncil.com.

Deadline

Mail your request to the Arts Council so that it arrives at least 24 hours prior to the monthly meeting of the Board of Directors (first Tuesday of each month, September through June).

The Board of Directors will review your application, to ensure it is complete and meets all criteria. You will then be asked to present your request at the next Arts Council members' meeting (second Wednesday of each month, September through June) for discussion and approval or denial by the Arts Council members.

Other Information

Successful applicants will be notified at the members' meeting at which their request is presented, and a cheque will be available within two weeks.

A brief written report is to be presented to the Arts Council's members meeting (second Wednesday of each month, September through June) immediately following the completion of the project. The CACC logo must be used on all promotional materials related to funded projects.

Important: There are no Arts Council directors' or members' meetings in July and August. If you are applying for funding for activities that will take place in the summer, you **must** submit your application prior to the first Tuesday in June.

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Area C Grants-in-Aid Fund

Program Overview

These funds are used to increase public awareness throughout the Creston Arts Council area through supporting the development of artists, arts and culture events and culture and heritage.

Eligibility and Criteria

Only current members of the Community Arts Council of Creston are eligible to apply. Any given organization or individual may only apply once per budget year (September 1 – August 31).

Applications must be for a specific project, and the project must be new or in its second year. Grants-in-aid will not be made more than twice for the same project. Applications must show a funding partnership or other income. Grants will not exceed 50% of the total budget. Retroactive projects will **not** be considered.

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How to Apply

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Columbia-Kootenay Cultural Alliance (Programs 1 and 2)

Program Overview

Columbia Basin Trust (CBT) makes funds available to the Columbia-Kootenay Cultural Alliance (CKCA) to distribute to local arts councils, which in turn distribute it to individuals and groups within their communities. This fund has been established to: Fund individual and group projects within a community; Respond to unique local issues; Provide funds to artists, or to arts, heritage and cultural groups; Involve more artists in local arts projects, and arts and heritage decision making; Raise awareness of artists as belonging to the Basin and being interpreters of Basin Culture.

Program 1 of the CKCA funds projects such as performance, presentation, exhibits, writing, etc. Program 2 funds small capital projects.

Eligibility and Criteria

Any individual or group residing in the Columbia Basin is eligible to apply. Projects *must* be new; CKCA will not fund ongoing programs. At least one of the project's outcomes must be a CKCA priority (see application form). Funding is not available for capital, regular operating or existing deficits, or retroactive projects. Budgets *must* balance; CKCA will not fund fundraisers.

How to Apply

Submit applications to Community of Creston Arts Council.

Generally, projects in Program 1 receive between \$500 and \$2,500. The local arts council adjudicating committee decides which projects to support based on the strength and quality of the application, and recommends those projects to the CKCA Steering Committee, which makes the final decision. Each arts council can recommend projects to a total of \$5,000 annually.

In Program 2, projects may receive a maximum of \$3,000, and the total program fund, for the entire Columbia Basin, is \$5,000 annually.

Deadline

Deadlines for application is usually early March. Late applications are not accepted. Funding applications are available in early February online at www.basinculture.com or from Maureen Cameron.

Other Information

Projects must start *after* May 31 in the funding year, and must be completed before May 31 in the following year.

Note: Not all communities are eligible for Program 2 in all years. A community arts council can only recommend a project under Program 2 if there were no recipients of Program 2 funding in the community in the previous year.

Maureen Cameron is the current CKCA Program 1 and 2 representative on the Creston Arts Council, or contact Krista Patterson at CKCA at 250-505-5505 or the CKCA's website at www.basinculture.com for further information.

Once CKCA has approved recommended projects, funds are forwarded to the Creston Arts Council. The Creston Arts Council then distributes cheques to the successful applicants upon signature of contracts. A minimum of \$100 is held back from the total grant amount until a final report for the project is submitted and accepted.

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Columbia-Kootenay Cultural Alliance (All Other Programs)

Program Overview

CKCA has several other programs available to fund arts, culture, and heritage. They include funding to support touring, major project, new exhibition, and major capital projects.

These programs are not connected in any way to the Community of Creston Arts Council.

Eligibility and Criteria

Further information on these programs and their criteria is available online at www.basinculture.com.

Projects must start *after* May 31 in the funding year. In most cases, projects must be complete before May 31 in the following year. Some of these programs allow for two-year projects.

How to Apply

Complete the application form and send it, along with all supporting documentation, to the Columbia-Kootenay Cultural Alliance; the mailing address is on the application form. The Creston Arts Council cannot accept and forward the applications for you.

Deadline

Deadlines for applications are usually late March. Applications forms are available in early February online at www.basinculture.com

Other Information

Contact Krista Patterson at CKCA at 250-505-5505 or the CKCA's website at www.basinculture.com for further information.