

ONLINE COMPOSITION FESTIVAL

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Grant stuff

- Familiarize yourself with local granting organizations
 - Community Foundations
 - City Initiatives
 - See what they have funded in the past: (example: Blackhawk County Gaming Commission bought symphony a harpsichord.)
- Try to read sample grants. (Usually organizations will offer a resource of a few successful grant applications.)
- Does your state have a Commission for the Arts, or Arts Council, or Department of Humanity? Or, are there independent arts councils in your city or region?
 - Iowa Arts Council
 - Springboard for the Arts
 - Arts Midwest
- Find a grants resource page that you check regularly:
<https://springboardforthearts.org/grants-funding/grant-resources/>
 - Check Guide Star online
- Do you want to use a fiscal sponsor? (Fractured Atlas)
- Elements of a good grant application
 - Clear, concise, and engaging language
 - A balance between hard facts/data and creative-passion-pros
 - What is your proposal? Is it too broad and/or farfetched? Is it too narrow?
 - Do you have a track record of completed similar proposals that the organization can latch on to?
 - How widespread and diverse can your proposal be, all the while presenting what seems to be a doable project?
 - Sections you'll have to write:
 - Proposal Summary



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- Proposal Narrative
- Timeline
- Execution Plan
- Budget Narrative & Budget
- Impact
- Success Measurement
- Goals of Proposal
- Other sources of funding
- Future sustainability
- You'll need supporting materials
 - Letters of support from collaborators
 - Program samples
 - Media
- You may need
 - 501(c)3 acceptance letter
 - Resume/bio
 - Bio of collaborators
 - Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU) from collaborators
 - Past, present, future fiscal year budgets
- Accepted grant proposals will do many things. Most proposals have most of these items.
 - Bring together multiple entities and involve a variety of people
 - Show viable examples of additional funding
 - Show a doable timeline
 - Have merit in the field
 - Be valuable in some way to the granting organization
 - Exemplifies some element of education, diversity, collaboration, or community connection.
- Matching grants and project financial plans
 - Some grants will require you to show a source for matching funds.
 - In-kind cash
 - If the full grant isn't funded, where is the rest of the money coming from?
 - Fundraiser(s) - Crowd-funding, live events
 - Other grants
 - Other revenue
 - In-kind
 - Sponsors
 - Individual donations
- Final Report