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Grant Calendar: July 2023 - June 2024

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Grants For Organizations:

ART PROJECT

Provides organizations in the SMAC region with up to **\$7,000** in matching funds to stimulate and encourage the creation, performance and appreciation of the arts. *No cash match required this year.*

Grantwriting Webinar: June 20, 2023

	ROUND 1	ROUND 2	ROUND 3
Request Draft Review by	July 12, 2023	Oct 25, 2023	Feb 28, 2024
Application Deadline	July 26, 2023	Nov 8, 2023	Mar 13, 2024
Earliest Project Start Date	Sept 1, 2023	Jan 1, 2024	May 1, 2024

QUICK SUPPORT FOR ORGANIZATIONS

Provides organizations with up to **\$2,500** for activities such as planning for a Public Art project, strategic planning or board training, costs to apply for 501(c)(3) status, small equipment purchases, or small arts projects.

Grantwriting Webinar: June 29, 2023

MONTHLY DEADLINES (while funds remain)	
Request Draft Review by	One week before deadline
Application Deadlines	1st of the Month, August 2023– May 2024
Earliest Project Start Date	1st day of the following month

PUBLIC ART

Provides organizations and city, county, or tribal governments with up to **\$20,000** for large-scale physical public art projects that will leave an arts legacy in southwest MN. The project should result in sustainable arts access in the community, with a continuing impact over several years. *20% cash match required.*

Grantwriting Webinar: November 2, 2023

	ONE ROUND
Request Draft Review by	November 29, 2023
Application Deadline	December 13, 2023
Earliest Project Start Date	February 1, 2024

EQUIPMENT & FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT

Provides arts organizations with up to **\$10,000** in matching funds for the purchase of equipment items and facilities improvements that will strengthen the organization's capacity to serve the arts needs of the SMAC region. *No cash match required this year.*

Grantwriting Webinar: December 11, 2023

	ONE ROUND
Request Draft Review by	January 17, 2024
Application Deadline	January 31, 2024
Earliest Project Start Date	March 1, 2024

OPERATING SUPPORT

Two-year grants for arts organizations with a current 501(c)(3) and at least two years of programming and financials, to be used for operating expenses. Submit financial info in a pre-application to determine your request amount, **15% or 35%** of your organization's average expenses, depending on budget size.

Grantwriting Webinar: August 10, 2023

	ONE ROUND
Pre-Application Financials	September 20, 2023
Request Draft Review by	October 11, 2023
Application Deadline	October 25, 2023
Project Start Date	January 1, 2024

Special Awards: **PRAIRIE DISCIPLE: EDUCATOR AWARD** Nominate a SMAC-region arts educator by April 15, 2024.
PRAIRIE STAR AWARD Nominate an outstanding SMAC-region artist by April 15, 2024.

All grants on this calendar are contingent upon funding from the MN State Legislature and the McKnight Foundation.



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Grants For Schools & Youth:

ARTS IN THE SCHOOLS

Provides public schools with up to **\$4,000** for projects such as artist residencies, arts field trips, juried student art exhibits, etc. *No cash match required.*

Grantwriting Webinar: July 18, 2023

MONTHLY DEADLINES (while funds remain)	
Request Draft Review by	One week before deadline
Application Deadlines	1st of the Month, Aug 2023– May 2024
Earliest Project Start Date	1st day of the following month

ART STUDY OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUTH

Provides up to **\$500** to allow young artists in grades 5-12 to attend an enrichment camp or specialty study. Costs for standard weekly lessons are allowed for students who qualify for the federal free or reduced lunch program.

Grantwriting Webinar: February 15, 2024

	ONE ROUND
Request Draft Review by	March 13, 2024
Application Deadline	March 27, 2024
Earliest Project Start Date	May 1, 2024

Grants For Individuals:

ARTIST GROWTH

Provides up to **\$4,000** to artists at any career stage for projects that will advance their skills and artistic career.

Grantwriting Webinar: July 6, 2023

	ROUND 1	ROUND 2
Request Draft Review by	Aug 2, 2023	Dec 20, 2023
Application Deadline	Aug 16, 2023	Jan 10, 2024
Earliest Project Start Date	Oct 1, 2023	March 1, 2024

ARTIST EQUITY

Provides up to **\$4,000** to aid Black, Indigenous, and other artists of color at any career stage with projects that will advance their skills and artistic career.

Grantwriting Webinars: July 6, 2023

	ROUND 1	ROUND 2
Request Draft Review by	Aug 30, 2023	Feb 14, 2024
Application Deadline	Sept 13, 2023	Feb 28, 2024
Earliest Project Start Date	Nov 1, 2023	April 1, 2024

QUICK SUPPORT FOR ARTISTS

Provides artists with up to **\$1,000** for activities such as purchasing supplies, attending classes, and small artist-led community projects.

Grantwriting Webinar: July 6, 2023

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Request Draft Review by	One week before deadline
Application Deadlines	1st of the month, Aug 2023 - May 2024
Earliest Project Start Date	1st day of the following month

ADVANCED ARTIST FELLOWSHIP

Provides up to **\$7,000** in project funds to established advanced artists who exhibit creative excellence, a substantial body of work, and significant recognition of their artistic accomplishments. Two fellowships awarded per year.

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	ONE ROUND
Request Draft Review by	Sept 27, 2023
Application Deadline	October 11, 2023
Earliest Project Start Date	December 1, 2023

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