Southwest Minnesota ARTS Council

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Grant Calendar: July 2024 - June 2025

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Grants For Organizations:

ART PROJECT

Provides organizations with up to **$7,000** to stimulate and encourage the creation, performance and appreciation of the arts. Activities could include classes, exhibits, performances, events, etc.

	ROUND 1	ROUND 2	ROUND 3
Request Draft Review by	July 10, 2024	Oct 30, 2024	Feb 26, 2025
Application Deadline	**July 24, 2024**	**Nov 13, 2024**	**Mar 12, 2025**
Earliest Project Start Date	Sept 1, 2024	Jan 1, 2025	May 1, 2025

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.

MONTHLY DEADLINES (while funds remain)	
Request Draft Review by	One week before deadline
Application Deadlines	**1st of the Month, August 2024– May 2025**
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.*

	ONE ROUND
Request Draft Review by	November 27, 2024
Application Deadline	**December 11, 2024**
Earliest Project Start Date	February 1, 2025

EQUIPMENT & FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT

Provides arts organizations with up to **$10,000** 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.

	ONE ROUND
Request Draft Review by	January 15, 2025
Application Deadline	**January 29, 2025**
Earliest Project Start Date	March 1, 2025

Special Awards:

PRAIRIE DISCIPLE AWARD

$1,000. Provides awareness and recognition of one individual from SW MN per year, whose activities and involvement have substantially contributed to the arts in their community over an extended period of time.

	ONE ROUND
Nomination Deadline	**April 15, 2025**

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.

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Application Deadlines	**1st of the Month, Aug 2024– May 2025**
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 low-income students.

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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.

	ROUND 1	**ROUND 2**
Request Draft Review by	Oct 2, 2024	April 2, 2025
Application Deadline	**Oct 16, 2024**	**April 16, 2025**
Earliest Project Start Date	Dec 1, 2024	June 1, 2025

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.

	ROUND 1	**ROUND 2**
Request Draft Review by	Sept 4, 2024	Feb 12, 2025
Application Deadline	**Sept 18, 2024**	**Feb 26, 2025**
Earliest Project Start Date	Nov 1, 2024	April 1, 2025

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.

MONTHLY DEADLINES (while funds remain)	
Request Draft Review by	One week before deadline
Application Deadlines	**1st of the month, Aug 2024 - May 2025**
Earliest Project Start Date	1st day of the following month

ESTABLISHED ARTIST

(Was 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 grants are awarded per year.

	ONE ROUND
Request Draft Review by	January 2, 2025
Application Deadline	**January 15, 2025**
Earliest Project Start Date	March 1, 2025

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