

MAINE ARTS COMMISSION

Creative Aging

Application deadline: April 21, 2016 at 5 p.m.
Maximum award: \$1,000

The Creative Aging grant supports the development of high-quality, participatory arts programs for older adults. Funds are available to support teaching artists working with adults in a range of community settings including libraries, senior centers, arts organizations, and assisted- and independent-living centers.

There is a required 1:1 in-kind or cash match for this grant.

This funding cycle for this program is July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Your organization is eligible to apply if it meets all of the following criteria:

- Is a nonprofit organization, legally established in the state of Maine.
- Has a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status from the Internal Revenue Service or is a unit of municipal, county or tribal government.
- Is in compliance with final reports required for any previous Maine Arts Commission awards.

APPLICATION REVIEW CRITERIA

Creative Aging applications are reviewed on a competitive basis using the following criteria:

- Engagement of older adults in meaningful, creative activity and sequential learning (25%)
- Incorporation of creative aging principles of social engagement and mastery (25%)
- Recognition of the contribution of older community members (25%)
- Incorporation of a culminating activity (20%)
- Promotion of intergenerational exchange (5%)

APPLICATION NARRATIVE *(All character counts include spaces. 4,400 characters/page.)*

1. Project summary *(1,150 characters max.)*
2. Project description *(2,300 characters max.)*
3. Program location, number and length of sessions, and anticipated number of participants *(900 characters max.)*
4. Description of target group *(2,300 characters max.)*
5. Teaching Artist's name, phone number and email. *(1,000 characters max.)*

INELIGIBLE EXPENSES

Grant awards may not be re-granted nor used to cover the costs of brick-and-mortar projects, permanent or capital equipment, operating support or fundraising.

APPLICATION PACKAGE REQUIREMENTS

A complete application for the Creative Aging Grant contains:

ONLINE

- Complete answers to all narrative prompts
- Completed project budget

BY MAIL OR FAX

- Completed State of Maine Vendor Form with ***exactly the same name and contact information as used in your application***
- Completed and signed assurances form

ASSISTANCE

You are welcome to contact agency staff and discuss your ideas at any time prior to the application deadline. You may also request an informal consultation about your completed application narrative two weeks or more prior to the application deadline.

GENERAL QUESTIONS—Questions about the application or review process can be directed to Kathy Ann Shaw, Senior Director for Grants and Arts Accessibility, at kathy.shaw@maine.gov or 207-287-2750.

SPECIFIC QUESTIONS—Please direct specific questions about your Creative Aging grant application to Kathleen Mundell, Creative Aging Traditional Arts and Director, at kathleen.mundell@maine.gov or 207-287-6746.



Grant information is available in large print format by request. All Maine Arts Commission programs are accessible to people with disabilities. All programs funded by the Maine Arts Commission must also be accessible.



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