

## **Funding Resources**

*Grants, Fellowships, Awards & Residencies for Artists & Writers*

**Aaron Siskind Foundation:** <http://www.aaronsiskind.org/grant.html>

**Cash grants for photographers.** The Aaron Siskind Foundation has been one of the few American organizations providing cash grants to individual photographic artists on a yearly basis. The Individual Photographer's Fellowship (IPF) review panel examines the work of upwards of 1,000 applicants each year, awarding a varying number of grants in amounts of up to \$10,000.

**AART: Arab Artists Resources & Training:** <http://www.aart.ws/artists>

**Grants for artists to promote Arab cultural heritage.** Arab Artists Resources and Training is committed to helping career-track artists creating fine art in all styles and media to support themselves exclusively by networking together and teaching them how to find and receive grants to help promote their Arab cultural heritage.

**The Adolph & Esther Gottlieb Foundation:** <http://gottliebfoundation.org/grants/>  
**Grants available for visual artists in painting, sculpture, and printmaking.**

The Adolph and Esther Gottlieb Foundation has been operating since 1976 with two main purposes. We offer grants to individual visual artists through two programs: an annual Individual Support Grant and a separate program to assist visual artists in cases of catastrophic events through an Emergency Grant program.

**The Aftermath Project:** <http://www.theaftermathproject.org/grants.htm>

**Grants for photographers looking at the aftermath of conflict.** Grant-making is at the core of the Aftermath Project's activities. Each year we open our application process to working photographers, world-wide, who are pursuing—or propose to pursue—long-term projects about the aftermath of conflict.

**Alexia Foundation:** <http://www.alexiafoundation.org/grants>

**Supporting photographers pursuing social change.**

The Alexia Foundation offers production grants to students and professional photographers to give them the financial ability to produce substantial stories that drive change in the effort to make the world a better place.

**Alliance of Artists Communities:** <http://artistcommunities.org/>

**Supports artists by providing grants, residencies, and other resources.** The Alliance gives a collective voice on behalf of its members, small and large, that leverages support for the field as a whole; promotes successful practices in the field; and advocates for creative environments that support the work of today's artists.

**American Center for Artists:** <http://www.americanartists.org/>

**Offers a great list of grants and funding for artists.** The American Center for Artists is an electronic magazine that focuses on the biography and autobiography of famous and emerging writers, painters, sculptors, musicians, and other artists.

**Amplify Your Art:** <http://www.aarts.net.au/arts-development/amplify/>

**Offers grants to Australian artists with disabilities.** Amplify your art is a professional development grant program for NSW artists with disability. The Amplify program is designed to assist individual artists in all art forms to further their practice through undertaking professional development.

**Academy of American Poets:** <http://www.poets.org/index.php>

**Offers grants and prizes to poets.** Since 1934, the Academy of American Poets has awarded more money to poets than any other organization.

**ArteEast:** <http://www.arteeast.org/>

**Supports the work of Middle Eastern artists by offering listings of resources and funding opportunities.** ArteEast presents the works of contemporary artists from the Middle East, North Africa and their diasporas to a wide audience in order to foster a more complex understanding of the regions' arts and cultures and to encourage artistic excellence.

**Artist Trust:** <http://artisttrust.org/index.php/for-artists/money>

**Grants available to artists in Washington State.** Artistic excellence is the highest priority in our funding programs. Grants range from project grants and major merit awards to residencies in the Northwest and abroad.

**Art Radar Asia:** <http://artradarjournal.com/>

**Offers a variety of opportunities in Asia and supporting Asian art.** Art Radar scans the global quality press on- and offline to bring you selected topical stories about the taste-changing, news-making and the up-and-coming in Asian contemporary art. Also has grant/job/residency ops.

**Arts and Healing Network List of Art Grants:** [http://www.artheals.org/artist-support/art\\_grants.html](http://www.artheals.org/artist-support/art_grants.html)

**Offers a comprehensive list of funding opportunities.** Arts & Healing Network offers this list of funding opportunities with the hope that it will support the creation of more art and healing work in the world.

**The Andy Warhol Foundation for Visual Arts:** <http://www.warholfoundation.org/>  
**Focused on supporting artists by funding institutions that support them.**

The Foundation's grantmaking activity is focused on serving the needs of artists by funding the institutions that support them. Grants are made for scholarly exhibitions at museums; curatorial research; visual arts programming at artist-centered organizations; artist residencies and commissions; arts writing; and efforts to promote the health, welfare and first amendment rights of artists.

**Artadia:** <http://www.artadia.org/forartists.html>

**Grants available for San Francisco Bay area artists.** Artadia's mission is to encourage innovative artistic practice and meaningful dialogue across the United States by providing artists in specific communities with unrestricted awards and a national network of support.

**Artis: Art Guides:** [http://www.artiscontemporary.org/art\\_guides\\_detail.php?id=5](http://www.artiscontemporary.org/art_guides_detail.php?id=5)

**Supports and promotes Israeli artists.** Artis is a 501c3 nonprofit organization that supports and promotes contemporary artists from Israel internationally.

**Artists' Fellowship:** <http://www.artistsfellowship.com/financial.html>

**Aids professional fine artists in an emergency.** The Artists' Fellowship aids professional fine artists in the event of an emergency.

**Asian Cultural Council:** <http://www.asianculturalcouncil.org/>

**Grants available to support artists in Asia and US for intercultural exchange.**

The vision of the Asian Cultural Council is to support transformative cultural exchange by awarding grants to artists, scholars, and arts and humanities professionals, as well as organizations and educational institutions from the United States and Asia for research, study, and creative work in the United States and Asia and within the countries of Asia.

**Astrea Foundation:** <http://www.astraeafoundation.org/grants/apply-for-a-grant>  
**Provides grants to emerging lesbian poets and fiction writers.** The Astraea Visual Arts Fund promotes the work of contemporary lesbian visual artists who show artistic merit and share Astraea's commitment to LGBTI visibility and social justice. The Lesbian Writers Fund provides grants to emerging lesbian poets and fiction writers across the U.S.

**The Awesome Foundation:** <http://www.awesomefoundation.org/>  
**Distributes \$1,000 project grants.** Created in the long hot summer days of 2009 in Boston, the Foundation distributes a series of monthly \$1,000 grants to projects and their creators.

**Black Rock Arts Foundation:** <http://blackrockarts.org/grants>  
**Funds community-driven works of art.** BRAF funds highly interactive, community-driven works of art that prioritize community involvement in their development, execution and display. We fund art that is accessible to the public, civic in scope and prompts the viewer to act.

**Bronx Council on the Arts:** <http://www.bronxarts.org/brio.asp>  
**Grants available to Bronx artists in a variety of media.** Bronx Recognizes Its Own (BRIO) provides direct support to individual Bronx artists who create literary, media, visual, and performing works of art. 25 BRIO grants of \$3,000 each are awarded to Bronx artists. BRIO award winners complete a one-time public service activity.

**Brown University International Writers Project:**  
<http://www.brown.edu/academics/literary-arts/international-writers-project/>  
**Supports an international writer who face personal danger and threats to their livelihood in their home country.**  
The International Writers Project at Brown University provides institutional, intellectual, artistic and social support to writers who face personal danger and threats to their livelihood in nations throughout the world. Each academic year, the Project sponsors a resident fellowship for one writer who feels unable to practice free expression at home.

**CalArts: List of Fellowships, Residencies and Grants:**  
<http://calarts.edu/student-services/career/fellowships>  
**List of artist funding opportunities and residencies.**

**Center for Craft, Creativity & Design:**  
<http://www.craftcreativitydesign.org/grants/>  
**Grants available to visual artists for projects, research, and more.** The Center for Craft, Creativity & Design advances the understanding of craft by encouraging and supporting research, scholarship, and professional development in the United States.

**Center for Cultural Innovation:** [http://www.cciarts.org/mission\\_history.html](http://www.cciarts.org/mission_history.html)

**Grants available to artists in California.** Its mission is to promote knowledge sharing, networking and financial independence for individual artists and creative entrepreneurs by providing business training, grants, and incubating innovative projects that create new program knowledge, tools and practices for artists in the field.

**Cintas Foundation:** <http://www.cintasfoundation.org/fellowships.htm>

**Grants available for Cuban artists working in a variety of media.** Cintas Fellowships acknowledge creative accomplishments and encourage excellence in architecture, literature, music composition and the visual arts. Eligibility is limited to artists of Cuban citizenship or direct descent (having a Cuban parent or grandparent).

**Cranbrook Academy of Art Library: Grants and Other Funding Sources for Individual Artists:** <http://www.cranbrookart.edu/library/research/grants.htm>  
**A substantial list of grants and artist funding opportunities.**

**Creative Capital:** <http://creative-capital.org/>

**Offer grants and long-term support to artists in a variety of fields.** Creative Capital provides integrated financial and advisory support to artists pursuing adventurous projects in five disciplines: Emerging Fields, Film/Video, Literature, Performing Arts and Visual Arts.

**Creative Work Fund:** <http://creativeworkfund.org/>

**Grants available for nonprofit and artist collaborations.** The Creative Work Fund awards grants for projects in which artists and nonprofit organizations are working closely together to create new art works. Any kind of nonprofit organization is eligible to apply to collaborate with an artist.

**DoSomething.org:** <http://www.dosomething.org/grants>

**Funding available for creative projects by people age 25 and younger.** We are one of the only organizations that puts money directly into the hands of young people (25 years and younger), our community action grants help turn dream projects into a reality and take existing projects to the next level. Past grantees have used the money to create a community-run organic farm, publish a youth-written literary magazine for women of color, and even create an organization that teaches sick kids how to fly.

**Elizabeth George Foundation:** <http://www.elizabethgeorgeonline.com>

**Offers unrestricted funding to emerging fiction, poetry, and dramatic writers.** The Elizabeth George Foundation makes artistic grants to unpublished fiction writers, to poets, to emerging playwrights and to organizations benefiting disadvantaged youth. These grants cover expenses in a number of areas.

**Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown:** <http://fawc.org/fellowships/index.php>

**Fellowship and residency available to visual artists and writers.** The Fine Arts Work Center offers a unique residency for writers and visual artists in the crucial early stages of their careers. Located in Provincetown, Massachusetts, an area with a long history as an arts colony, the Work Center provides seven-month Fellowships to twenty Fellows each year in the form of living/work space and a modest monthly stipend.

**Fleishhacker Foundation:** <http://www.fleishhackerfoundation.org/>

**Grants available for community-based art projects.** The Foundation makes grants to local, community-based organizations through two main programs: Arts & Culture and Precollegiate Education.

**Foundation for Art Resources:** <http://www.far-la.org/resources/artist-grants/>  
**Support for Los Angeles artists.** F.A.R. is a 501(c)(3) organization that is all-volunteer and artist-run. Your support allows us to facilitate the production and presentation of work by artists who challenge and expand the boundaries of established notions of art and art-making within the Los Angeles region.

**George & Helen Segal Foundation:** <http://www.segalfoundation.org/>  
**Awards grants to photographers in New Jersey.** The George and Helen Segal Foundation has been established to exhibit and display the works of George Segal, a world renowned sculptor and artist, and to award grants to artists in order to enable them to pursue their artistic endeavors. (\*\*2013-2014 Grant Cycle: The Foundation has postponed our grant cycle. When our next cycle begins, information will be posted on this page.)

**Howard Foundation:**  
[http://brown.edu/Divisions/Graduate\\_School/Howard\\_Foundation/](http://brown.edu/Divisions/Graduate_School/Howard_Foundation/)  
**Awards grants to artists in a variety of fields.** The Howard Foundation awards a limited number of fellowships each year for independent projects in selected fields. The Foundation targets its support specifically to early mid-career individuals, those who have achieved recognition for at least one major project.

**International Sculpture Center:** <http://www.sculpture.org/redesign/about.shtml>  
**Support for sculptors.** The International Sculpture Center (ISC) is nonprofit organization founded in 1960 to champion the creation and understanding of sculpture and its unique, vital contribution to society.

**The Jerome Foundation:** <http://www.jeromefdn.org/apply/travel-study>  
**Grants for artists in Minnesota and NYC, as well as non-profit organizations. Travel and study grants are particularly applicable for funding a VSC residency.** The Jerome Foundation seeks to contribute to a dynamic and evolving culture by supporting the creation, development, and production of new works by emerging artists. The Foundation makes grants to not-for-profit arts organizations and artists in Minnesota and New York City. The Travel and Study Grant Program awards grants to emerging artists who create new work, rotating the eligible disciplines in alternating years.

**Kala Art Institute: Residencies and Fellowships:**  
[http://www.kala.org/air/air\\_desc.html](http://www.kala.org/air/air_desc.html)  
**Offers fellowship and residency programs for visual artists.** Artists in need of space and equipment for work in printmaking, photography, or digital media are encouraged to apply to Kala's residency program in one of two ways.

**Kentucky Foundation for Women:** <http://www.kfw.org/grants.html>  
**Offers grant programs for women in Kentucky.** The Kentucky Foundation for Women offers two grant programs: Artist Enrichment and Art Meets Activism.

**Leeway Foundation:** <http://www.leeway.org/apply-for-grants/about-the-grants.html>

**Grants for women and trans artists doing promoting social change through art in Philadelphia and Delaware.**

The Leeway Foundation's grantmaking programs honor women and trans artists for their ability to create social change through their artistic and cultural work. The Art and Change Grants and the Leeway Transformation Awards fund women and trans artists (including those identifying as transgender, transsexual, and/or genderqueer) living in the Delaware Valley region of Bucks, Camden, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery and Philadelphia Counties, who engage in art and social change work and have financial need.

**Los Angeles Art Resource:** <http://losangelesartresource.wordpress.com/>  
**Grants available for artists in the Los Angeles area.** Los Angeles Art Resource was created by Aili Schmeltz and Danielle McCullough, two visual artists based in Los Angeles, who aim to create a forum for the exchange and sharing of arts resources. We aim to empower artists at critical points in their creative endeavors while providing a vehicle for the Los Angeles artistic community to help one another succeed.

**The McKnight Foundation:** <http://www.mcknight.org/grant-programs/arts/>  
**Supports artists in Minnesota with fellowships, grants, and other resources.** We support an environment in which artists are valued leaders in our community, with access to the resources and opportunities they need to succeed.

**Money for Women: Barbara Deming Memorial Fund:** <http://demingfund.org/>  
**Offers grants to women feminists in the arts.** Money for Women is the oldest ongoing feminist granting agency. We are still feminist and still willing to take risks. The foundation gives encouragement and grants to individual feminists in the arts (writers, and visual artists).

**National Endowment for the Arts:** <http://nea.gov/>  
**Gives fellowships and grants to mid-career artists and writers.** The National Endowment for the Arts was established by Congress in 1965 as an independent agency of the federal government. To date, the NEA has awarded more than \$4 billion to support artistic excellence, creativity, and innovation for the benefit of individuals and communities.

**National League of American Pen Women:** <http://www.nlapw.org/art-competitions/>  
**Supports women artists with contests, grants, and other resources.** The NLAPW sponsors national and branch level awards throughout the year. Check back with Art, Writing or Music pages for updates on contests open to members and non-members. The mission of the NLAPW is to encourage, recognize, and promote the production of creative work of professional standard in Art, Letters, and Music. Our members are journalists, painters, choreographers, sculptors, illustrators, songwriters, poets—just to mention a few of the creative fields we encompass.

**New York Foundation for the Arts:** <http://www.nyfa.org>  
**Offers cash grants to artists living and working in the state of New York.** Established in 1971, the mission of the New York Foundation for the Arts (NYFA) is to empower artists across all disciplines at critical stages in their creative lives. We do this through three main program areas: cash grants and fiscal sponsorship, online resources, and professional development training.

**NYU Steinhardt School Monthly List of upcoming Artist Opportunities:**

<http://steinhardt.nyu.edu/art/resources/opportunities>

**Comprehensive monthly listings of grant and fellowship opportunities.**

**PEN American Center Literary Awards:** <http://www.pen.org/literary-awards>

**Offers prizes and fellowships to support writers.** For more than 50 years, PEN American Center has honored some of the most outstanding voices in literature.

**The Playwright's Center Fellowships:** <http://www.pwcenter.org/fellows.php>

**Offers fellowships to playwrights.** The Playwrights' Center is one of the largest sources of career-advancing financial assistance for playwrights in the country today.

**Poetry Foundation Prizes and Fellowships:**

<http://www.poetryfoundation.org/foundation/awards>

**Offers fellowships and prizes to poets.** The Poetry Foundation, publisher of Poetry magazine, is an independent literary organization committed to a vigorous presence for poetry in our culture. It exists to discover and celebrate the best poetry and to place it before the largest possible audience.

**Poetry Society of America: Awards:**

<http://www.poetrysociety.org/psa/awards/annual/>

**Offers awards and chapbook fellowships to poets.** The PSA's Annual Awards are among the most prestigious honors available to poets. They offer emerging and established poets recognition at all stages of their careers.

**Poets & Writers: Listing of Writing Contests, Grants & Awards:**

[http://www.pw.org/grants?sort=asc&order=field\\_deadline\\_value&apage=\\*&perpage=\\*  
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**A comprehensive guide to grants and funding for writers, including state cultural councils.** The Writing Contests, Grants & Awards database includes details about the creative writing contests—including poetry contests, short story competitions, essay contests, awards for novels, and more—that we've published in Poets & Writers Magazine during the past year.

**Poets in Need:** <http://www.poetsinneed.org/>

**Offers emergency assistance to professional poets.** Poets in need is a non-profit organization founded in 2000 providing emergency assistance to poets who have an established presence in the literary community as innovators in the field and a substantive body of published work.

**Pollock-Krasner Foundation:** <http://www.pkf.org/grant.html>

**Offers grants to mid-career artists based on merit and need.** The Pollock-Krasner Foundation's dual criteria for grants are recognizable artistic merit and demonstrable financial need, whether professional, personal or both. The Foundation's mission is to aid, internationally, those individuals who have worked as professional artists over a significant period of time.

**Provincetown Art Association and Museum:**

[http://www.paam.org/mspaam\\_scholarships.html](http://www.paam.org/mspaam_scholarships.html)

**Grants are offered to American painters aged 45 or older who demonstrate financial need.** The objects and purposes of this association shall be to promote and cultivate the practice and appreciation of all branches of the fine arts, to assemble and maintain in the town of Provincetown and environs a collection of

works of art of merit, to hold exhibitions, and by forums, concerts and similar activities to promote education of the public in the arts and social intercourse between artists and laymen.

**The Puffin Foundation:** <http://www.puffinfoundation.org/>

**Offers grants to encourage emerging artists whose works might otherwise have difficulty being aired.** The Puffin Foundation Ltd. has sought to open the doors of artistic expression by providing grants to artists and art organizations who are often excluded from mainstream opportunities due to their race, gender, or social philosophy.

**A Room of Her Own: A Foundation for Women Artists and Writers:**

<http://www.aroomofherownfoundation.org/>

**Offers grants and awards to women writers.** The \$50,000 Gift of Freedom award is the largest of its kind for women writers. Inspired by Virginia Woolf's tenet that a woman must have money and a room of her own in order to write, the Gift of Freedom commissions a creative project by a promising woman writer/artist ready to restructure their life in order to complete their work within the two year period of the grant.

**The Ruth and Harold Chenven Foundation:** <http://chenvenfoundation.org/>

**Offers cash grants to visual artists.** The Ruth and Harold Chenven Foundation gives unrestricted cash awards to individual artists for the continuation of their work. Grantees are selected by a panel of judges consisting of artists and art professionals, many of whom are previous recipients of an RHCF grant.

**Sustainable Arts Foundation: Supporting Artists and Writers with Families:**

<http://www.sustainableartsfoundation.org/awards>

**Offers grants to support artists and writers with families.** Our program focuses on awards to individual artists and writers with families. Specifically, the applicant must have at least one child under the age of 18. We welcome applicants from anywhere, but will give some preference to residents of the San Francisco bay area.

**Trans Artists: Your Artist in Residence Guide:**

<http://www.transartists.org/article/funding-north-america>

**Offers a list of opportunities artists and writers can use to fund residencies.** Trans Artists is a knowledge centre on cultural mobility, with a strong focus on artist-in-residence opportunities. Here you can find all about facts, use and value of international artist-in-residence programs as well as other cultural opportunities for artists to stay and work elsewhere.

**USA Artists:** <http://www.unitedstatesartists.org/about>

**Funds artists and writers through a curated micro-philanthropy model of public and private donors. Like Kickstarter, but with carefully selected artists and projects.** Also connected to USA Projects and USA Fellows.

**Virginia A. Groot Foundation:** <http://virginiaagrootfoundation.org/>

**Grants available to sculptors.** The Virginia A. Groot Foundation was established in 1988 so that artists working in three dimensions could have the opportunity to devote additional time and resources to the development of their work.

**Visual Aid:** <http://visualaid.org/>

**Offers financial support to artists with life-threatening illnesses.** Visual Aid encourages artists with life-threatening illnesses to continue their creative work.

**W. Eugene Smith Memorial Fund:** <http://smithfund.org/>

**Offers support to photographers.** Many photographers today are working against the fashions and economics of modern publishing. The Fund was established in 1979 to seek out and encourage these independent voices. In the first thirty years of competition, from many thousands of proposals, the Fund selected 303 finalists who were seeking help in finishing major projects.

**Women Arts:** <http://www.womenarts.org>

**Extensive lists of funding opportunities for women (and others) in the arts.**

We are a worldwide community of artists and allies. We provide free funding information, skill-building, and networking services.

**Women's Studio Workshop:** <http://www.workshop.org/>

**Offers residency grants to women visual artists.** The Mission of the Women's Studio Workshop is to operate and maintain an artists' workspace that encourages the voice and vision of individual women artists, to provide professional opportunities and employment to artists at all stages of their careers, and to promote programs designed to stimulate public involvement, awareness and support for the visual arts.

**Wooloo:** <http://www.wooloo.org/index>

**Resource for artists with open calls, exhibitions, and other resources.** Build your own artist profile and showcase your work to the thousands of visitors coming to Wooloo every day. Submit your work to the many physical exhibition opportunities being announced on Wooloo by curators and institutions.

**Writers and Editors: List of Awards, Grants, & Fellowships:**

[http://www.writersandeditors.com/awards\\_grants\\_fellowships\\_57698.htm](http://www.writersandeditors.com/awards_grants_fellowships_57698.htm)

**Extremely detailed list of fellowships, prizes and grants available to writers.**

I launched this website to provide frank information both for people who want to know the basics and for those who want to dig deeper in a particular field.