



# REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

## RURAL ARTS ACCESS FUND: PROJECT SPECIFIC GRANTS

**DEADLINE: FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2024 AT 11:59PM**

### **Grant Guidelines, Eligibility Information, and Application Support:**

<https://www.fresnoartscouncil.org/ruralartsaccessfund>

#### **Overview**

The purpose of the Rural Arts Access Fund Project Specific Grants is to increase access to the arts in rural Fresno County communities by supporting arts nonprofit programming and projects in Fresno County for the following disciplines and locations:

Disciplines: Visual, performing, literary, folk/traditional, media, and musical arts

Locations: 14 incorporated cities and unincorporated communities in Fresno County, including:

Cities: Clovis, Coalinga, Firebaugh, Fowler, Huron, Kingsburg, Kerman, Mendota, Orange Cove, Parlier, Reedley, San Joaquin, Sanger, Selma **AND** unincorporated communities in Fresno County

Fresno Arts Council invites applications for the Rural Arts Access Fund Project Specific Grant opportunity, supported in part by the National Endowment for the Arts:

- Arts Organization Project Specific Grant (up to \$3,000) for rural Fresno County arts nonprofits or City or Town governments in partnership with artists.

An organization may submit only one (1) application for this funding opportunity

#### **Application Period**

August 12-November 1, 2024 at 11:59pm

#### **Review Period**

November, 2024

#### **Grants Awarded and Disbursed**

December, 2024-January, 2025



### **Grant Activity Period**

January 1, 2025-December 31, 2025

### **Accessing the Online Application**

Fresno Arts Council uses Submittable to accept and manage grant request applications. You will need to create organizational/user accounts and profiles. Access the online application portal at <https://fresnoartscouncil.submittable.com>.

The deadline to submit the online grant applications will be on **November 1, 2024 at 11:59pm**.

### **Application Support**

Fresno Arts Council encourages you to attend webinars, office hours, and make use of instructional resources early in your application process. FAC strongly recommends submitting the application and required supporting materials at least five (5) business days before the deadline to provide time to troubleshoot any technical issues.

Please visit <https://www.fresnoartscouncil.org/ruralartsaccessfund> for additional information, workshop schedules, and application support. Fresno Arts Council will offer workshops, webinars, and technical assistance to all applicants Fall, 2024.

### **Review Panels**

The Grant Review Panel is comprised of individuals located in Fresno County with diverse backgrounds in arts and culture.

Any panelist who has a conflict of interest with an application(s) must recuse themselves from reviewing that application(s). **A “conflict of interest” is defined as a situation in which a Panelist has a competing professional, financial, or personal interest that could impair their ability to perform their evaluation responsibilities objectively.**

Panelists may not be on the board or staff of any applicant for this grant opportunity, nor related by blood or marriage to any applicant in this opportunity.

Applicants may request their panel comments after they receive official notice of award or decline.

### **Questions?**

For technical assistance and grant guideline questions, please call 559-237-9734 Monday through Friday, between the hours of 9:00AM and 3:00PM. You may also email Executive Director, Lilia González Chávez at [lilia@fresnoartscouncil.org](mailto:lilia@fresnoartscouncil.org). Please allow 24-48 hours for staff response.



### **Language Assistance**

For a copy of the guidelines in Spanish, contact the Fresno Arts Council at 559-237-9734

Para obtener una copia de las pautas en español, llame a Fresno Arts Council (el Consejo de las Artes de Fresno) al 559.237.9734.

For a copy of the guidelines in Hmong, contact the Fresno Arts Council at 559-237-9734.

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For a copy of guidelines in Punjabi contact the Fresno Arts Council at 559-237-9734

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