

## ARTIST ACCESS - FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### **Who does Artist Access support?**

Artist Access supports artistic professional development opportunities presented by individual artists working in the fields of visual arts, dance, drama, music, literary and media arts. Artist Access does not fund organizations or arts presenters, nor curators, producers, artist ensembles/collectives or students.

### **What professional development opportunities are eligible?**

Artistic professional development opportunities include:

- Virtual professional development opportunities (paid in advance)
- Travel-related professional development opportunities (only for Spring/Summer and TBD on February 2021)
- Studio and space rental (paid in advance)
- Equipment purchase (awarded artists will be reimbursed 30 days following the receipt of proof of purchase)

### **When should I apply?**

Applications must be received for the cycles corresponding to the dates of the professional development opportunity. Please refer to the FUNDING PERIOD in the DEADLINES section of these guidelines. There are two (2) deadlines annually. If an artist applies in the Fall/Winter cycle and is not recommended for funding, the artist may re-apply in the Spring/Summer cycle for a new opportunity.

FALL/WINTER (Opportunities between October 1, 2020 – March 30, 2021) have an application deadline of September 21, 2020

SPRING/SUMMER (Opportunities between April 1 - September 30, 2021) have an application deadline of March 15, 2021

### **How do I apply for Artist Access?**

Visit [www.miamidadearts.org](http://www.miamidadearts.org) and click on the GRANTS tab. Applicants apply by submitting an online application through the Department's online grants program portal page: [SurveyMonkey Apply](#)

### **What does the application require?**

The Artist Access application requires:

- 1) Artist's CV and Bio
- 2) Background Information on Professional Development Opportunity
- 3) Letter of Invitation and/or Registration Information
- 4) Quotes, rental agreements, invoices, proof of purchase (bank and/or credit card transactions and/or statements and dated receipts)
- 5) Work Samples (up to 6 work samples) (online links, images and/or writing samples)
- 6) Project Budget detailing the cost of the opportunity

7) Two (2) forms of proof of Miami-Dade County Residency: Florida Driver's License; voter registration card; current utility bill in artist's name; current lease or mortgage in artist's name and current federal tax return filed by Artist.

**What expenses will Artist Access cover?**

Artists may apply for funding support in one of the following categories:

1. Virtual registration and/or classes/workshops fees. Airfare, housing/hotel, food per diem, transportation and materials/supplies will be tentatively covered in Spring/Summer cycle, if travel is deemed eligible.
2. Artist studio rental and space rental expenses to allow artists to continue with their practice. These expenses must fall within the application cycle dates and artists must explain the need for funding providing as much detail as possible. Artist must submit copy of lease agreement, quotes and other documents that substantiate space/studio rental expenses.
3. Equipment purchase artists need to continue advancing their careers including computers, tablets, sound/film/photography equipment, projectors, computer software, hard drives, video cards, music instruments and other equipment needed to continue advancing the artist's practice.

The Artist Access award may not exceed \$1,500 and will be determined by the panel. Any remaining, uncovered expenses are the artist's responsibility.

**Can I apply for an opportunity occurring outside of the United States?**

Coming February 2020, it will be determined if travel opportunities will be eligible for the Spring/Summer cycle but typically, yes, opportunities occurring outside of the U.S. are eligible for funding.

**Can artists living outside Miami-Dade County apply for Artist Access?**

No. The Artist Access grant program is restricted to artists who reside in Miami-Dade County.

**I have been awarded an Artist Access grant in the past. May I reapply?**

Yes. There is not a cap on the number of Artist Access awards artists receive. However, artists can only apply once in a fiscal year.

**Can I re-apply for the same project if my request was denied?**

No. Once the panel has reviewed a proposal, it cannot be re-submitted.

**Can students apply for Artist Access?**

No. Artist Access does not offer assistance to graduate, undergraduate, or high school students currently enrolled in a degree program, nor Ph.D or doctoral candidates, regardless of whether the field of study is related to artistic work.

**When will I receive notification?**

Artists will be notified of the panel's recommendations immediately after the panel meeting dates, which are indicated in the timeline listed in the program page.

**I have a question that was not addressed here. Who can I contact?**

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