



## Arts Commission

### Review and Recommendation for Grants to Arts & Culture Organizations Application

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#### **Title**

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#### **Recommended Action**

Move to review and recommend to staff any changes to the Grants to Arts & Culture Organizations 2022 application.

#### **Report**

##### **Issue:**

Review and discussion of the 2022 Grants to Arts & Culture Organizations 2022 application

#### **Staff Contact:**

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#### **Presenter(s):**

N/A

#### **Background and Analysis:**

Annually, the City of Olympia offers up to \$20,000 for projects in the Grants to Arts and Culture Organizations (GACO) program. The GACO offers grants up to \$5,000 for registered non-profit arts and culture organizations with a minimum two-year history of serving Olympia. Project review and approval is based on community involvement, organizational strength, and (project) potential for engagement.

This is an opportunity to review the grant application. Staff is particularly interested in reviewing the requirement that previous grant recipients must wait one granting cycle before reapplying. The original intention was create greater opportunity for more organizations to apply, and the 4<sup>th</sup> year of the program is a good time for review. Another idea is a two-step application with a staff review component then time for finals edits.

#### **Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):**

N/A

#### **Options:**

1. Review the application and direct staff to make changes.
2. Review the application and leave as is.
3. Make a different proposal.

**Financial Impact:**

\$20,000 from the Municipal Art Fund

**Attachments:**

Grants to Arts & Culture Organization Guidelines

Grants to Arts & Culture Organization Application

Grants to Arts & Culture Organization Review Matrix