

GRANT APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

2025 ARTIST RESILIENCY FUND

GRANT DESCRIPTION

In response to the economic hardships many artists in our community are facing as a result of the recent fires, Culver City Arts Foundation has allocated funding to its Artist Resiliency Fund, a fund originally created during the pandemic, intended to support artists by assisting with basic expenses as they struggle to stay afloat. Artist Resiliency funding is not tied to a specific program or activity, but is given to offset general expenses, such as rent, health care, transportation, utilities, groceries, equipment...

Culver Arts recognizes that the arts are essential to any recovery, critical to our physical and mental well-being, providing comfort, enlightenment, inspiration, and of course, entertainment. Culver Arts wants local artists to spend less time keeping their lights on and more time making art and inspiring creativity that benefits us all. By supporting the arts in Culver City, we help ourselves thrive.

ELIGIBILITY

- Grantees must be practicing artists or arts educators.
- Grantees can work in any arts discipline – visual arts, performing arts, literary arts, technical arts, other.
- Grantees must have lived or worked primarily in Culver City for at least two consecutive years.
- Grantees must have been personally affected by the fires in January 2025.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Applications will be accepted beginning February 15, 2025 and reviewed on a rolling basis. Grants from \$500 to 2,500 will be issued until funds are expended.

APPLICATION SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Submit grant application.
- Submit materials that demonstrate artistic quality/distinctiveness of past work (3 sample limit) or provide a direct link to webpage showing samples.
- **Submit application, materials, and any questions to grants@culverarts.org**

REVIEW PROCESS

- Grant applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis.
- Applicants will receive email confirmation of receipt of application and receipt of additional materials or confirming access to active web link. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- The grant panel will consider and make decisions based on the some or all the following criteria:
 - Severity of personal impact
 - Artistic quality/distinctiveness of past work/activities
 - Audiences served by past or future work/activities
 - Past or future impact within Culver City
 - Cultural equity
- Panel recommendations will be presented to the Culver Arts Foundation Board for approval at their monthly Board meetings and announced shortly thereafter.

GRANTEE EXPECTATIONS

- Grantees will be encouraged to attend CCAF sponsored events.
- Grantees will be required to:
 - Sign a contract and submit completed W-9 form

- Feature CCAF credit/logo in future promotion and provide CCAF with one or more digital files for use on CCAF website and in PR
- Provide CCAF with notice about upcoming public activity/programming activities
- Submit a final report within 12 months of grant issuance

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APPLICATION

Applications must be in the form of a pdf or word document attached to an email sent to grants@culverarts.org. No formal application form required.

Include Email Subject: [Artist Name] – 2025 Artist Resiliency Fund

Application should contain ALL the following information #1-10 (preferably in order listed below).

1. Contact Information

- Artist Name
- Artist Legal Name (if different)
- Contact Email
- Contact Phone Number

2. Artist Address

Grantees must have lived or worked primarily in Culver City for at least two consecutive years. List your address and indicate if you live and/or work at that location and for how long.

3. Artist Discipline

List all that apply: visual arts, performing arts, literary arts, technical arts, other.

4. Artwork (<500 words)

Describe your recent art activities, what you are working on now, and what you have planned for next 12 months or so. Include information about your audience (who is impacted by your work). Indicate if your work directly impacts the Culver City community.

5. Artist Website and/or Social Media Links

Provide any links.

6. Artistic Samples

Applicants must provide samples that demonstrate artistic quality/distinctiveness of past work. Indicate if you are attaching artwork sample files or if reviewers will find samples on your website/social media links.

7. Impact (<1000 words)

Describe how you have been impacted by the fires in January 2025 and how you would use grant funding.

8. Funding Amount Requested

Up to \$2,500 may be requested, however, most grants issued will range between \$1,000-\$2,000.

9. Provide any other information you wish to share with CCAF.

10. Tell us how you heard about this grant program.