



Dear Artists & Arts Organizations,

Events are the lifeblood of so many of our organizations and our lives. They are a part of the social fabric that we've until recently used to define who we are and what we care about. This Wednesday we are hosting a conversation among many of the largest events that make Martin County a great place to live - think of the Stuart Air Show, ArtsFest and the many other arts festivals, downtown Stuart's numerous events, the Indiantown Rodeo, the Seafood Festival, the Boat Show, and the list goes on... I am curious about how people will feel about attending a large event and also about how our volunteers who staff these events will feel about working at them. More to come on this topic as we collect the data that will help us unravel the path toward future events.

Take note below the details about applying for funding from Women Supporting the Arts. Women Supporting the Arts is a giving circle that supports artists and local arts programming in our community. Each member contributes \$1000 and then these funds are combined before being awarded to their selected recipients. In light of the pressing needs for small nonprofit organizations who are struggling with no ticket revenue, no tuition and other types of revenue curtailed by the pandemic. Women Supporting the Arts has rallied to create a brand new, and special recovery grant program that will be funding with support from private individuals. See below for all the details... and always feel free to call or email with questions. I'd be happy to assist.

Stay well and take time to recharge,

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#### TOOLS & RESOURCES FOR ARTS ORGANIZATIONS

- [Americans for the Arts Webinar | Engaging Your Audience During and After COVID-19 \(7/16\)](#)
- [Alliance of Performing Arts Conferences Webinar | Licensing and Permissions Requirements for Livestream and Rebroadcast \(7/23\)](#)
- [Eventbrite's COVID-19 Safety Playbook for Events](#)
- [Social Distancing Room Space Calculator](#)
- [National Endowment for the Arts - Re-opening Guidance](#)
- [The Event Safety Alliance Reopening Guide](#)
- [ArtsBlog | How a Local Business Chamber & the Arts Work Together as a Vital Emergency Response and Long-Term Economic Vision](#)

#### TOOLS & RESOURCES FOR FOR ARTISTS

- [Webinar | How to Negotiate Rates as a Freelance Journalist \(7/15\)](#)
- [8-Week Virtual Communal Cooking Series \(7/15 - 8/3\)](#)
- [Artist Trust Webinar | Tips for Your Artist Website \(7/16\)](#)
- [Springboard for the Arts Webinar | Work of Art: Time Management \(7/22\)](#)
- [The Actors Fund Virtual Workshop Calendar](#)
- [Monthly Loss Income Calculator](#)
  - This tool was created by Artist Trust to assist artists with determining their lost income during the COVID-19 pandemic and could be helpful when applying for emergency funding, unemployment, and other financial assistance.
- [Dance USA | Informational Papers from the Task Force on Dancer Health](#)



### Women Supporting the Arts | Special Recovery Grant

This new granting opportunity from the donors who are Women Supporting the Arts is intended to help save jobs in the arts sector and "keep the doors open" to our community's cultural organizations. This does not mean that your organization has to be a bricks and mortar organization. For example:

- Do you have expenses that are critical to keeping you here through to the other side of the pandemic.
- Do you have a conductor, instructors, and others who are critical to your artistic mission that need to be paid?
- Do you have a contractual obligation for a rehearsal hall?

We understand these expenses mount up when you aren't bringing in revenue through ticket sales and tuition.

This special recovery grant program is designed to help arts organizations who have sustained losses because of programming and/or operations that have been modified or cancelled due to COVID-19. Organizations DO NOT have to be traditional bricks and mortar organizations to qualify for this grant.

#### Support is limited to the following:

- Salary support, full or partial, for one or more positions that are critical to an organization's mission. This may include independent contractors, as well as part time and full time employees.
- Facilities and Programs that may include expenses such as rent, utilities and contractual obligations for artistic fees and venue rentals.

**Requirements:** Organizational budget must be \$250,000/year or less and be organized as a 501(c)3 nonprofit based in Martin County, Florida. The organization has not had access to other sources of emergency relief that this funding would duplicate (i.e. if you received PPP support, focus this request on costs not being covered by that source of funds).

PLEASE do not create a new program and submit a request for funds. We will still be holding the regular grant cycle for Women Supporting the Arts later this year with notifications due in mid-December. This is really meant to keep your organizations alive for a brighter future.

**No match is required. Maximum request is \$2,500. Deadline to Apply: July 31.**

Only online applications will be accepted. No hard copies are required.  
Grant notifications will be made in early September but no later than September 15, 2020.

PLEASE remember that the people who are reading your application may know nothing about your organization or your programs. Be sure that when a reader has finished reviewing your grant application, they will know your organization.

\*\*You are not eligible to apply if you are a for-profit corporation, an organization whose primary mission does not focus on art or culture, K-12 school, religious organization, college/community college/university, or a city/county or other municipality.

Click [HERE](#) to  
Apply



**Limited funds are still available if you are an artist who is struggling with a loss of revenue due to cancelled events, lost gigs and other activities due to COVID-19.**

#### Who is eligible:

- Creative professionals with a demonstrable exhibition, publishing, or performance history that clearly indicates an active and sustained career in the fields of dance, theatre, music, literature, and the visual arts.
- Artists must be residents of Martin County, FL for 1 year prior to time of application and has not received a grant from this fund within the past 12 months.

**[FOR FULL GUIDELINES AND ONLINE APPLICATION, CLICK HERE](#)**