

Dear Artists & Arts Organizations,

Martin County's numbers for positive cases for COVID-19 are not going in the direction that we'd like them to be. I heard a impassioned message from Rob Lord at Friday's County Commission meeting about what we as citizens need to do to stay safe. At this time our staff is continuing to work from home and will until the numbers turn around.

So as many of you know we partnered to distribute a short survey to give us all information about how our audience members are feeling about coming out and engaging in person with us. The results are in... and over 2,000 people shared how they are feeling. Click below to see the results.

COVID-19 Resident Sentiment Survey - Arts & Cultural Sector Report

The next phase of this survey will bring in the events and festivals that make Martin County one of the special places to live. As we have with this first report, we will continue to make these results available to you to help you in planning for the future. If you have specific questions you'd like to see asked in future surveys, please let me know. Taking the collaborative approach on this project is the best way to ensure our sector's future.

Have you completed the Division of Cultural Affairs (DCA)'s Survey on Impact? Please carve out a few minutes today to do this. It will help your colleagues across the State of Florida as the Florida Council on Arts and Culture and others will be able to use these results to make a case for funding arts and culture from the state government.

To PREPARE to complete the survey download the Financial Impact Tracker* from Division of Cultural Affair's website and complete it for your organization. It requires a current version of Excel for all the formulas to work but calculates everything you'll need to fill in for the survey. Be sure to include information from March 1 through May 30th.

*Download the Tracker here: https://bit.ly/3cnmrsF

Deadline June 15 to complete DCA Survey of Impact on Florida's Cultural Community, Reporting Period March - May 2020

Stay well and stay safe,

Nancy

TOOLS & RESOURCES FOR ARTS ORGANIZATIONS

- Tonal Distancing: Conversations of Race & Justice through Art (6/15)
- Grantmakers in the Arts Webinar: Coronavirus Response: Building a future that reimagines systems for justice (6/16)
- Fest Forums: Weekly Facebook Livestreams on best information about the ongoing crisis with experts in the festival industry
- APAC Webinar: Creative Performing Arts Responses to COVID-19
- Americans for the Arts: Arts and Social Impact Webinar Series
- Americans for the Arts: How To Support Artist-led Community Development
- NEA Resources to Help Ensure Accessibility of Your Virtual Events for People with Disabilities
- American Association of Community Theatre Webinar: Online Marketing In The Time of COVID-19 (6/18)
- Creativity Matters: The Arts and Aging Toolkit

TOOLS & RESOURCES FOR FOR ARTISTS

- AAE: Supporting Individual Artists Webinar Series
 - o Americans for the Arts is excited to bring you a series of deep dive webinars about supporting individual artists. As part of Americans for the Arts ongoing program, Arts Administrators Essentials: Supporting Individual Artists, these webinars are your opportunity to hear from individuals and organizations in the arts and culture field that support individual artists as part of their everyday work. The first part of this series will take a look at supporting artists of specific disciplines, with the second part focusing on programs you may want to consider developing as you work to support individual artists.
- Deadline June 17 for Cycle III Artist Relief \$5,000 grants to artists facing dire financial emergencies due to COVID-19
- COVID-19 Freelance Artist Resources
 - This list is specifically designed to serve freelance artists, and those interested in supporting the independent artist community. This includes, but is
 not limited to, actors, designers, producers, technicians, stage managers, musicians, composers, choreographers, visual artists, filmmakers, craft
 artists, teaching artists, dancers, writers & playwrights, photographers, etc.
- WomenArts Emergency Funds All Art Forms
- Artwork Archive Artist Calls for Entry





THERE ARE STILL FUNDS AVAILABLE WITH DISTRIBUTIONS ON A MONTHLY BASIS.

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

Who is not eligible:

- Artists who are enrolled in a degree or certificate-granting program of any kind at the time of application. Applications will not be accepted before graduation
 date.
- Artists working full-time as teaching staff at a college or university at the time of application are not eligible for the ARTIST RELIEF FUND.
- Artists who are 18 years of age or younger.

Eligible categories of support include:

- Fee coverage for cancelled performances.
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- Funding for cancelled exhibitions, art or craft shows, or other art-related events.
- Funding for cancelled art-related speaking fees (visiting artist lectures, presentations, studio visits, critiques).
- Funding for cancelled non-credit art-related teaching opportunities (workshops, weekly classes). Note: this does not apply to teaching within a K- 12 or higher education institution.

FOR FULL GUIDELINES AND ONLINE APPLICATION, CLICK HERE