



Round 2: Apply for Emergency Grants by May 1

Applications are due at 11:59 p.m. on Friday, May 1, for the second round of grants from the [Iowa Arts & Culture Emergency Relief Fund](#), funded in part by the National Endowment for the Arts through the CARES Act. All cultural organizations are encouraged to apply, including art, history and science centers; museums, zoos and aquariums; historical societies and heritage organizations; and film/media groups. The grants will range from \$1,000 to \$20,000, based on the recipient's annual operating budget.

Last week the Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs [announced the first round of grants](#), which totaled \$191,000 for 170 artists and nonprofits organizations across the state.

As the coronavirus continues to disrupt Iowa and the world, we hope you and your community can bounce back as soon as possible, and we've rounded up an evolving list of other [coronavirus-related resources](#) to help. This week we encourage you to consult the Iowa Department of Public Health's [latest guidelines](#) for the 77 Iowa counties where many businesses and nonprofits (but not theaters, museums or art centers) will be allowed to partially re-open on Friday.

Pictured: Part of the team who renovated the historic stained glass at Dubuque's Steeple Square.



Governor's Arts Awards



Instagram Takeover!

Applications are due at 11:59 p.m. Friday, May 1, for the [Governor's Arts Awards](#), which honor Iowa artists, arts groups and communities that have made a big impact in the arts over the last couple of years or even decades. The awards will be presented during the virtual [Iowa Arts Summit](#) on Aug. 7.



Annual Grants & Designations

One month remains to apply for the Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs' annual [grants for arts, film and history projects](#); the applications are due June 1. Applications for [Iowa Great Places](#) and [Iowa Cultural & Entertainment District](#) designation and re-designation are due June 15.



Call for Iowa Films

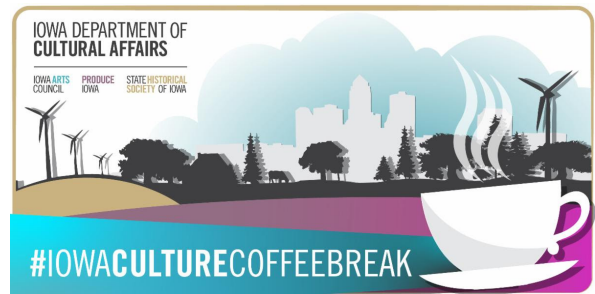
Calling all Iowa filmmakers: We're now accepting submissions for the fifth season of "[The Film Lounge](#)," the statewide showcase of Iowa filmmaking produced by Iowa PBS in partnership with the Iowa Arts Council and Produce Iowa. Submit for films between 2 and 20 minutes long, in any genre, before the deadline on June 1.

Iowa Artist Fellow Ange Altenhofen is taking over our Instagram account [@IowaArtsCouncil](#) from Saturday through May 8. Follow along for a glimpse into the Chariton artist's creative process – her interests, her inspirations and her latest [multi-sensory sculptural projects](#).



Dream Now, Visit Later

Travel Iowa invites museums, galleries and other cultural attractions across the state to sign up for a free online service, through Bandwango, to sell gift cards and admission tickets in increments of \$10 and \$25. [Register](#) by May 8 to be included in the statewide "Dream Now, Visit Later" campaign that launches around Memorial Day.



Take an #IowaCultureCoffeeBreak

Need a break? Join us at 3 p.m. every weekday for an [#IowaCultureCoffeeBreak](#) on [Iowa Culture's Facebook page](#). We're spotlighting Iowa artists, musicians, museums and more – and we're taking suggestions! Coming up: a tour of Dubuque's Steeple Square on Monday and Birmingham's Calico Press on Tuesday.

Coming Up

Note that some of the following events may be canceled or postponed. Please check online for updates.

State Grant Opportunities

May 1: [Iowa Arts & Culture Emergency Relief Fund: Round Two](#)

June 1: [Capacity Building Grant](#)

June 1: [School Arts Experience](#)

June 1: [Cultural Heritage Project Grant](#)

June 1: [Art Project Grant](#)

June 1: [Greenlight Grant](#)

June 1: [Rural Innovation Grant](#)

June 15: [Iowa Great Places](#) designation & re-designation
June 15: [Iowa Cultural & Entertainment District](#) designation

Non-State Grant Opportunities

April 30: [New Music Solidarity Fund](#)
April 30: [Artist Relief Fund](#)
May 1: [Humanities Iowa Grant](#)
May 7: [Innovate Grant](#)
May 8: [Lewis Prize for Music Covid-19 Fund](#)
May 11: [NEH CARES Act Grants](#)
May 15: [AARP Community Challenge](#)
May 19: [The Hopper Prize](#)
May 20: [Arts Writers Grant Program](#)
June 1: [Foundation for Contemporary Arts Emergency Grants](#)
June 1: [Verizon Small Business Recovery Fund](#)
June 1: [Dramatist Guild Foundation Emergency Grants](#)
June 1: [The Authors League Fund Emergency Support](#)
June 1: [Arts & Culture Leaders of Color Emergency Fund](#)
June 30: [JustFilms](#)
July 9: [Challenge America](#)
July 9: [NEA Grants for Arts Projects](#)
Aug. 1: [American-Scandinavian Foundation Grants](#)

Calls for Artists

April 30: [Create! Magazine](#)
April 30: [Clear Lake Arts Center](#)
April 30: [Global Meltdown](#)
May 1: [City of Dubuque](#)
May 1: [Guthrie County Arts Council](#)
May 2: [Art as Medicine](#)
May 4: ["Final Draft" Exhibition](#)
May 8: [Earth Day 2020: Photos Inspired by Researchers](#)
May 13: [San Francisco Bay International Photography Awards](#)
May 15: [ARTapalooza](#)
May 15: [Kitchen Table Times](#)
May 18: [UCS Healthcare](#)
May 22: [Art Educators of Iowa Conference Logo Design](#)
May 24: [NPR Live Stream Concerts During Covid-19](#)
May 31: [Sunspot Literary Journal](#)
May 31: [Art on the Square, Jefferson](#)
May 31: [Heaven & Hell National Fine Art Exhibition](#)
June 1: [The Film Lounge](#)
June 1: [Waukee Arts Festival 2020](#)
June 4: [Living Proof Exhibit](#)
June 13: [New Bohemia Arts Festival](#)
June 15: [Necro Magazine](#)
June 17: [Eastern State Penitentiary Historic Site](#)
June 27: [Square Foot Exhibit](#)
June 30: [100 Bucks for 100 Words](#)

Art & Culture Jobs

May 14: [Fairfield Arts and Convention Center Executive Director](#)
May 29: [Iowa Western Community College Arts Center Patron Service Manager](#)
July 31: [Mount Ayr Community Schools Art Teacher](#)
Open: [Dubuque Museum of Art Executive Director](#)

Iowa Arts Council Events

Now-June 30: [Iowa Women's Art Exhibition: "Illusive" by Renee Meyer Ernst](#)
Now-April 30: [Art at the Café: Works by Matthew Kluber](#)
Now-April 30: [Art at the Library: "Capturing the Beauty of Iowa's Public Parks"](#)
Now-May 2: ["20 Artists, 20 Parks" exhibition, Des Moines](#)
May 1: [Governors Arts Award](#)
May 30-Sept. 20: ["20 Artists, 20 Parks" exhibition, Dubuque](#)
June 5: ["20 Artists, 20 Parks" Opening Reception, Dubuque](#)
Aug. 7: [Iowa Arts Summit 2020](#)

Professional Development

Now-May 1: [National Arts Action Digital Summit 2020](#)

Now-May 3: [Common Field \(Virtual\) Convening](#)
May 1: [Iowa Music Educators Association Annual Conference](#)
May 4: [Margaret Bowland Oil Painting Workshop](#)
May 8: [2020 AEP Annual Convening](#)
May 15: [NAEA21 Call for Presentations](#)
May 21: [Des Moines Leadership Network](#)
June 17: [Dance/USA Annual Conference](#)
June 26-28: [AFTA Annual Convention and Public Art & Civic Design Conference](#)

Student Opportunities

May 1: [Leadership Exchange in Arts and Disability Conference](#)
May 15: [Arts For the Future](#)
May 15: [Fighting Words Pulitzer Center Poetry Contest](#)
June 1: [ICF Student Composer Competition](#)
June 15-19: [Young Writers' Workshop](#)

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