

## IOWA DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS

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## Gov. Reynolds Announces COVID-19 Arts & Cultural Recovery Program

Gov. Kim Reynolds has allocated \$7 million of federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act funding to the Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs to [provide economic relief](#) to Iowa's arts and culture industry.

The Iowa Arts & Cultural Recovery Program will be administered by the Iowa Arts Council and the State Historical Society of Iowa, divisions of the Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs.

Nonprofit arts and cultural organizations, for-profit music venues, governmental and college/university cultural venues, and individual artists whose regular operations have been interrupted due to the pandemic may apply until **Dec. 11, 2020**.



*Pictured: The University of Iowa's Hancher Auditorium virtually premiered the Step Afrika! production "[Stono](#)" in September.*

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Register to attend a webinar for more information. The Iowa Arts Council will host two audience-based webinars for applicants this **Friday, Dec. 4**.

- 10-11 a.m. for Nonprofit Cultural Organizations, Live Music & Government Cultural Venues: [Register for the webinar](#).
- 2-3 p.m. for Individual Artists: [Register for the webinar](#).

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinars. Additionally, the Iowa Arts Council will hold open Office Hours, via Zoom meetings, for interested applicants Dec. 7-11. Find [all the details](#) at [iowaculture.gov](http://iowaculture.gov).

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OFFICE MANAGER APPLICATION

PROGRAM MANAGER APPLICATION

## We're Hiring!

**Office Manager:** The Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs is seeking an office manager to provide administrative support for the agency and its divisions: the Iowa Arts Council, the State Historical Society of Iowa and Produce Iowa, the state office of film and media production. Please apply by **Dec. 6**.

**Program Manager:** The Iowa Arts Council seeks a dynamic and collaborative leader to join its staff as Program Manager for Arts in Community Development. The program manager administers a portfolio of grant and designation programs and develops resources and initiatives to advance the role of the arts, artists and creativity in building more culturally vibrant, inclusive and thriving communities across Iowa. Please apply by **Dec. 20**.



Sculptor Linda Lewis of West Des Moines sells ceramic songbirds online at [Mainframemarket.org](http://Mainframemarket.org).

BLOG: NINE WAYS TO GIVE LOCAL ART

## Give the gift of local art & music

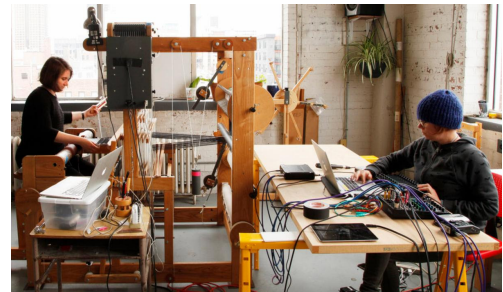
This holiday season, gift-givers can work up some two-for-one magic when they turn to local artists for ideas – a move that brings joy to loved ones and supports artists whose businesses are struggling through the Covid-19 pandemic. A few ideas:

- Commission an original work of art from a local artist.
- Hire a local musician to perform.
- Buy a gift certificate for an art class.
- Purchase a gift at [ShopIowa.com](http://ShopIowa.com) or [Mainframemarket.org](http://Mainframemarket.org).

## #IowaKeepsCreating

The Iowa Arts Council is looking to support, amplify and celebrate Iowa-based musicians and live performance artists to show that #IowaKeepsCreating. We want to hear directly from you!

We are interested in partnering with musicians, performing artists and organizations to cross-post a number of live streaming, virtual performances, including theatrical plays,



Click the "Submit Here" button below for more information and/or to complete the Request for

music videos, and concerts on our Facebook page @IowaArtsCouncil.

Proposals (RFP) to be considered for the #IowaKeepsCreating initiative.

There is also an opportunity to share any previously recorded performances or albums to the Arts Council's social media platforms and the Iowa Culture YouTube channel.

SUBMIT HERE

Musicians/performing artists or presenting organizations who are selected will receive advance promotion of their event on the Iowa Arts Council's social media platforms and a stipend for their time and effort.



### Iowa Artist Fellow Tibi Chelcea

By day, Tiberiu "Tibi" Chelcea works at the Ames company AgLeader Technology, where he develops software about farming. But outside his 9-to-5, this 2020 Iowa Artist Fellow uses his computer skills to cultivate more imaginative terrain, including colorful Pop Art, hypnotic black-and-white GIFs, a modern version of an illuminated manuscript from the Middle Ages – and so much more.

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### Business Training for Artists

A new professional development opportunity called Artist INC Des Moines offers artists in all creative disciplines a chance to sharpen their business skills. Supported by the Iowa Arts Council, the eight-week online seminar led by five peer facilitators runs from March 8 through April 26. If you're interested in participating, please apply by Jan. 15.



LEARN MORE & APPLY

### Planning Ahead for the Iowa Fine Arts Education Summit

Every other year, Iowa arts educators, artists, teaching artists and others gather for the [Iowa Fine Arts Education Summit](#) to discuss new and better



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ways to inspire students through the fine arts. Co-presented by the Iowa Arts Council, Iowa Department of Education and Iowa Alliance for Arts Education, this is a great opportunity to gather new ideas to take arts education to the next level. Please take a brief survey to help the planners make the 2021 summit the best one yet.

## You're Invited!

Join us online Friday, Dec. 11, for the annual Celebrate Iowa Gala. This year's virtual event showcases Iowa art, history, film and music, including the Brazilian 2wins at the American Gothic House in Eldon, Blake Shaw at FilmScene in Iowa City, the Holy Rocka Rollaz at the Surf Ballroom in Clear Lake – and more!



LEARN MORE & BUY TICKETS

## COMING UP

### Grants

Open: [Virtual Arts Experience Grant](#)

Open: [Coronavirus Relief Fund Registered Apprenticeship Expansion Grant Opportunities](#)

Dec. 10: [Innovate Grant](#)

Dec. 11: [Iowa Arts & Culture Emergency Relief Fund - Round Four](#)

Dec. 31: [Reel Change: The Fund for Diversity in Film Scoring](#)

Dec. 31: [Walmart Local Community Grants](#)

Jan. 31: [Polk County Community Development Grant](#)

Feb. 28: [Polk County Community Betterment Grant](#)

March 30: [Build With Bags Grant](#)

March 30: [Paint Iowa Beautiful](#)