



Grants, Webinars and a Call for Panelists

The Iowa Arts Council's next round of **grant funding and designation opportunities** is open for creative projects and activities that start July 1. Applications for most programs are due **May 2**, but take note: **Iowa Artist Fellowship applications are due March 15**.

Find all the guidelines online, along with recorded webinars and more information on [how to apply](#).

Upcoming Webinars and Office Hours:

March 16, 11 a.m. – [Webinar: Iowa Cultural & Entertainment District Designations](#)

March 23, 11 a.m. – [Webinar: Cultural Capacity Building Grants](#)

March 24, 11 a.m. – [Office Hours: FY23 Iowa Artist Fellowships](#)

March 30, 11 a.m. – [Webinar: School Arts Experience Grants](#)

Call for Panelists

Are you interested in helping support Iowa arts? **We want to hear from you**. Citizen advice from unique artistic and cultural viewpoints is central to government support of the arts. The Iowa Arts Council seeks diverse representation and professional expertise across its grant panels.

Greenlight Grant Support

As a state agency, our film office receives annual funding appropriated during the Iowa Legislative Session.

We are grateful for **Governor Kim Reynolds'** ongoing support of film and media production in Iowa and a **recommendation to increase funding for our Greenlight Grant**

program. Governor Reynolds recommended a new budget line of \$450,000 for Greenlight Grants in the Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs fiscal year 2023 budget.



The 2023 budget will be approved during the current legislative session so feel free to **share your thoughts about the proposed funding increase with your legislators**.

[LEARN MORE ABOUT GREENLIGHT GRANTS](#)

2022 Iowa Arts Summit

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Friday, Aug. 12 (in-person) in Des Moines

Details about virtual sessions will be announced soon.

The biennial summit brings together **artists, filmmakers, nonprofit professionals and community leaders** to network, learn and celebrate the arts.



The 2022 summit will be held in a **blended learning format**, with both a virtual pre-conference session and an in-person event focused on networking, collaboration and peer learning. This year's summit will highlight **the integral role creatives play in community development** and explore ways to fortify the infrastructure that supports this important work.

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Join Our Team

The Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs seeks an experienced and creative **Graphic Designer and Website Manager**. This full-time professional will manage and design **digital marketing and communications platforms** including the department's website, Iowa Culture mobile app, social media and various printed materials. The position requires **experience with project management and excellent communication skills** as an important member of the department's communications team working in support of the arts, film, history and humanities industries in Iowa. [Learn more](#) about the role and responsibilities, qualification requirements and application information.

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The Next Season of 'The Film Lounge'

Right on the heels of a successful sixth season of "[The Film Lounge](#)," the Iowa Arts Council, Produce Iowa and Iowa PBS invite Iowa artists, filmmakers, and musicians to submit films for Season 7. The series is an annual **showcase of short films by Iowa filmmakers**. Through a compilation of shorts and interviews, each episode celebrates the work of Iowa filmmakers, acquaints viewers with the state's vibrant film communities and explores the art of filmmaking. **Entries are due June 1.**



ENTRY GUIDELINES

Creative Places Spotlight: Forest City

Forest City is committed to improving the quality of life of its residents and promoting economic development. Through its **Iowa Great Places Community Vision Plan**, the community developed a plan called "**Expanding Arts & Opportunities**," which reflects its commitment to the arts and creative

placemaking through ongoing development, like the **Boman Fine Arts Center**, which has become a bedrock in the community since its completion in 2018.



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Iowa Founder Survey



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Clay & Milk and the **Greater Des Moines Partnership** are conducting an in-depth survey of Iowa start-up founders. The **Iowa Founder Survey** will dive into fundraising climate, working environment, future outlook, and the challenges of operating a startup.

Regional & Federal Resources



Arts Midwest: 'Filling the Well' Podcast

Created by Arts Midwest to nourish, provoke, and inspire artists and arts leaders, "**Filling the Well**" is a 5-part series that features creative change-makers who share their takes on **how to harness creativity** by shifting power dynamics, avoiding burnout, building authentic community, sharing resources, and advocating for support.

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Grow, Invest, Gather Fund

Through its GIG Fund, **Arts Midwest** helps arts organizations **rebuild and re-imagine**

creative engagement in their communities amid the uncertainty that challenges all corners of the creative sector. Applications for the first round are open now and due **April 12**.

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Changes for Federal and State Grant Applicants

Beginning April 4, the federal government will switch to a new verification system for all businesses and organizations seeking federal and state grant awards. As part of this change, the **Unique Entity Identification number** will replace the current DUNS number as the authoritative identifier used by federal and state agencies, including the Iowa Arts Council. If your organization is currently registered with [SAM.gov](#), a new UEI number has been automatically created for you, and you do not have to take further action. **If you do not currently have a [SAM.gov](#) registration and/or DUNS number**, visit [this page](#) for more instructions.



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Challenge America Grants

The NEA's Challenge America Grants support primarily small organizations on projects that extend the reach of the arts to underserved populations. Grants are \$10,000 for projects that begin in 2023.

Application deadline: April 21.

Emergency Grants Available for Craft Artists

CERF+'s Emergency Relief grant program is available for craft artists who suffered **significant losses from tornadoes in Central Iowa on March 5**. If you are an affected craft artist or know someone who is, contact relief@cerfplus.org for more information about the grant program and related disaster recovery resources.



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Coming Up

Looking for opportunities to create, exhibit or have your artwork recognized? Check our [calendar](#) often for calls for artists. Want to hire an Iowa artist? [Submit your opportunity](#) and we'll spread the word.



March 15: [Ballet Co. Laboratory](#)

March 22: [2022 Regional Art Exhibition, Orange City Arts Council](#)

March 25: [CUE Art Foundation](#)

March 28: [ArtFest Midwest](#)

March 30: [Create! Magazine](#)

April 1: [53rd Annual Art on the Square, Mahaska Chamber & Development Group](#)

April 1: [Art Week Des Moines, Group Creatives](#)

April 1: [2022-23 Art on the River, City of Dubuque](#)

May 1: [Creston Arts Festival](#)

May 16: [Rural Experience Collective](#)

May 22: [B.J. Spoke Gallery](#)

May 30: [National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame](#)

Aug. 26: [Art on the Square \(Jefferson, IA\)](#)



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

March 15: [Iowa Artist Fellowship](#)

March 21: [Organizational Development Fund, New Music USA](#)

March 22: [AARP Community Challenge Quick-Action Grants](#)

March 24: [Innovate Grant](#)

March 30: [USArtists International Grants, Mid-Atlantic Arts Foundation](#)

April 21: [Challenge America Grants](#)

May 2: [Artist Catalyst Grant](#)

May 2: [Art Project Grant](#)

May 2: [Creative Places Project Grant](#)

May 2: [Cultural Capacity Building Grant](#)

May 2: [Greenlight Grant](#)

May 2: [Cultural & Entertainment District Designation](#)

May 2: [School Arts Experience Grant](#)



April 5-7: [Our Shared Future](#)

May 3: [A Seat at the Table, Des Moines Arts Festival](#)

June 20-21: [Teaching Iowa History with Primary Resources](#)

Aug. 9: [A Seat at the Table, Des Moines Arts Festival](#)

Nov 3: [A Seat at the Table, Des Moines Arts Festival](#)



March 15: [Iowa Junior Duck Stamp Art Contest 2022](#)

April 1: [Iowa Scholarship for the Arts](#)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES



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