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2022 Iowa Arts Summit Registration is Open

Iowa's creative community comes together
Aug. 10-12. Will you be there?

The 2022 Iowa Arts Summit brings together artists and creatives, nonprofit arts professionals, and community leaders over three days to learn, connect and celebrate the arts in Iowa.

At this year's Summit, attendees will:

- **Be inspired** by leading national voices in the arts, including speakers from the National Assembly of State Arts Agencies, Springboard for the Arts and Americans for the Arts.

Registration:
[Register here.](#)

Aug. 10-11
9 a.m. to noon each day
Virtual sessions are **FREE**;
registration required.

Aug. 12
8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Mainframe Studios
Des Moines
\$50 per person registration includes refreshments and lunch.

Scholarships
Iowa Arts Summit **scholarships** are **available** for Iowa creatives, arts professionals at small nonprofits, and students currently pursuing an

- **Gain new ideas** from Iowa arts leaders and hear about innovative Iowa projects.
- **Make new connections** at networking breaks and lunch roundtables.
- **Learn practical tips** and share best practices around valuing creative work, recruiting volunteers, raising funds on a budget, and much more.

arts-related major at an Iowa college or university.

Selected scholarship recipients will receive complimentary registration to the full conference (a \$50 value).

Image: "Among Friends" and "I Love Music" by [**Chaveevah Banks Ferguson**](#) of Waterloo.

Who Should Attend?

- Artists, filmmakers and creatives.
 - Nonprofit arts professionals.
 - Local government leaders.
 - Creative community builders.
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- The full schedule will be available in July.

REGISTER

APPLY FOR A SCHOLARSHIP

Upcoming Grants Office Hours

While the annual deadline for many Iowa Arts Council grant programs is past, several funding opportunities have moved onto a quarterly schedule and have an **upcoming deadline of Aug. 1**.

Have a question or project to discuss? Find guidelines, recorded webinars, and [**more information**](#) about grant programs, and talk directly with staff during our upcoming office hours:



Olivia Valentine and Paula Matthusen.

Artist Catalyst Grant

Office hours: 11 a.m.-noon July 5

This program supports Iowa artists, filmmakers, musicians and creative writers to undertake activities that advance their artistic practices and elevate the creative field in Iowa.

Grants range from \$500 to \$2,500.

Application deadline: Aug. 1.

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Creative Places Project Grant

Office hours: 11 a.m.-noon July 6

This program provides funding for small, collaborative projects in communities that are using creative placemaking as a job creation, talent attraction and retention, and tourism strategy.

Grants range from \$500 to \$2,500.

Application deadline: Aug. 1.

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Fredericksburg elementary school students.

School Arts Experience Grant

Office hours: 11 a.m.-noon July 7

This program supports schools, professional teaching artists and nonprofit organizations to strengthen the role of arts in student-learning and achievement.

Grants range from \$500 to \$2,500.

Application deadline: Aug. 1.

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Grantee Spotlight: David Kupferman

Experience David Kupferman's "Light Waves: Moments of Being" exhibition at ICON Gallery in Fairfield. His work

combines spontaneous, gestural imagery with geometric abstract shapes of color and linear patterns. Kupferman received an **American Rescue Plan Arts Grant for Artists** from the Iowa Arts Council and the National Endowment for the Arts.



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Grantee Spotlight: Jami Milne



Artist Jami Milne opened "Under Pressure" on June 16 at **Mainframe Studios** in Des Moines. Working alongside pottery students of **Central Academy**, Milne guided students through the art of slip-casting and mold-making, using ceramics to visualize the opposing forces of safety and space. Milne received an **American Rescue Plan Arts Grant for Artists** from the Iowa Arts Council and the National Endowment for the Arts.

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Congratulations, Francesca Soans!

Current Iowa Artist Fellow Francesca Soans received recognition from **Lt. Gov. Adam Gregg** and the **State Historical Society of Iowa's Board of Trustees** for her documentary, "[Getting That Note Out,](#)" at the **Excellence in History** awards ceremony this week in Cedar Rapids. She received the **Loren Horton Community History Award**, which recognizes outstanding local history projects completed during the previous calendar year. **Congratulations, Francesca!**



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Celebrating Juneteenth



"Juneteenth: The Movement 2022" premiered this weekend on statewide Iowa PBS. The Iowa Arts Council was proud to support a watch party of the premiere, as part of the **Juneteenth Community Celebration** organized by [xBk](#) in Des Moines.

Broadcast from **IPR Studio One, Iowa PBS and xBk in Des Moines**, the show featured a roundtable with Black Iowans who are artists and changemakers, as well as performances from **Charlotte Blu, ADE, Sharane Calister and Kevin Burt**.

Many arts and cultural organizations across the state joined in celebrating Juneteenth, including the **African-American Museum of Iowa** and **NewBo City Market**, both in Cedar Rapids, which hosted a community festival.

Juneteenth National Independence Day, which became a federal holiday in 2021, recognizes when the last enslaved Black Americans learned – in 1866 – that they had been freed.

Photo: Madison Ray (left) and Joshalyn Hickey "Ms. Rocki" Johnson. Credit: Madeleine C. King

Iowa Public Radio welcomed **Joshalyn Hickey "Ms. Rocki" Johnson** to the "Juneteenth: The Movement 2022" program to talk about her new web show, "**North End Update**," and a new children's book she's writing.

Born and raised in Waterloo, Rocki is the 6th generation in her family to live in the predominately **Black North End district**. She worked at a pump factory for 30 years before shifting gears to pursue her life-long dream of becoming a writer.

She called up her best friend, **Chaveevah Banks Ferguson**, who owned a publishing company – and who designed the artwork for the 2022 Iowa Arts Summit – and wrote "**Good Morning, Lovely**," which did so well that she wrote another one.

She's currently working on another children's book, about **Susan Clark**, the first Black woman to integrate Iowa schools.

[HEAR HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE PROGRAM](#)

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NATIONAL ENDOWMENT for the ARTS

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The funding period for the National Endowment for the Arts' **Grants for Arts Projects** is currently open. Through project-based funding, the program supports the public with access to various forms of art across the nation, the creation of art, learning in the arts at all stages of life, and the integration of arts in the fabric of community life. **Grants range from \$10,000 to \$100,000** and require a nonfederal cost-share or match of at least 1-to-1.

Application deadline: July 7.

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The funding period for the National Endowment for the Arts' **Our Town placemaking grants program** is currently open. Our Town projects advance local economic, physical or social outcomes in communities, laying the groundwork for systems change and centering equity. Projects require a partnership between a nonprofit organization and a local government entity. **Grants range from \$25,000 to \$150,000**, with a minimum cost-share or match equal to the grant amount.

Application deadline: Aug. 16.

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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.



CALL FOR ARTISTS



June 24: [CUE Art Foundation](#)

June 30: [MdW Fair](#)



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT



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

Aug. 10-12: [Iowa Arts Summit](#)

June 30: [Sunspot Literary Journal](#)

July 15: [Mural Designs, City of Cedar Falls](#)

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



Ongoing: [Coronavirus Relief Fund](#)

[Registered Apprenticeship Expansion Grant Opportunities](#)

June 30: [Levitt AMP Grant Awards](#)

July 19: [Humanities Collections and Resources, National Endowment for the Humanities](#)

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



Now-July 17: [Under Pressure, Jami Milne](#)

Now-July 23: [Light Waves: Moments of Being](#)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES



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