



# TEXAS WOMEN FOR THE ARTS

## 2019 Grant Application

*Vision: Awaken and nurture the artist in every Texas child*

Texas Women for the Arts (TWA), a giving circle created by the Texas Cultural Trust, unites the financial forces of Texas women to fund initiatives for the arts and for arts education throughout Texas. Members will choose the recipients and allocate the funds at their annual meeting in the spring. We invite you to submit grant proposals through the Texas Commission on the Arts. **Applications must be RECEIVED by 5:00 pm CST on Friday, February 1, 2019.**

### CRITERIA AND GUIDELINES

1. Applicants must be invited to apply by a sponsoring member of Texas Women for the Arts. Proposals must include the sponsor's name and email. TWA members may only sponsor ONE application. The Texas Cultural Trust and Texas Commission on the Arts will not assign TWA member sponsors to applications.\*
2. Proposals must be **no more than 6 pages total**, including budget and organizational leadership (1 page cover sheet, 3 page proposal, 1 page budget, 1 page organization leadership).
3. Proposals must be submitted through the Texas Commission on the Arts (see instructions below).
4. Organizations are eligible for funding for no more than two (2) consecutive years, including Outreach and Impact grant funding. Applicants may reapply after a period of one (1) year.
5. The program must reflect the vision of Texas Women for the Arts, as stated above.
6. Finalists will be notified the week of March 6, 2019, and asked to submit an electronic presentation (power point/video/digital report, etc.) by March 20, 2019, for distribution to the full membership for final voting. Videos may be no longer than 4 minutes in length; and power point presentations must be limited to 30 slides.
7. Top grantees may be invited to attend and accept their awards during the grant presentation at Texas Women for the Arts' 2019 Annual Meeting, April 30-May 2, in Houston. Grant awards will be announced during the meeting.
8. The interim or final report for 2018 grant awards received from Texas Women for the Arts must be submitted prior to or with the 2019 application.
9. Members of the TWA Grants Committee may not sponsor an application.

\*If interested in applying, but do not have a sponsor, then please email [women@arts.texas.gov](mailto:women@arts.texas.gov) by Friday, January 11, and include contact information, organization website, and a brief description (50 words or less) of project. Please note that TWA is ultimately not responsible for connecting organizations with a sponsor.

### PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

- **Name and email of sponsoring Texas Women for the Arts member (required).**
- Please complete attached form and return as cover sheet for application.
- Proposal will not exceed 6 pages in length (1 page cover sheet, 3 page proposal, 1 page budget, 1 page organization leadership). Additional information will not be distributed to the grants committee.
- Organization name, contact person and title, address, phone, and email.
- Brief summary of project for which funding is requested, including:
  - Project purpose or vision
  - Project need

- Project timeline, implementation, and plan for evaluation of results
- Project budget – Please include the total program and project costs. TWA grants/executive committees will determine grant amounts.
- Organization capacity and project feasibility. Please include organization’s annual budget for the current fiscal year, community partnerships, and any additional funding or support.
- Uniqueness and innovation of program
- Location and demographics (income level and education level) of population served.
- Is this a new program? How long has the program been in existence?
- How will the program/project proceed if you receive partial or no funding from Texas Women for the Arts?
- Funding must be used within one year from the date the grant is awarded.
- Funding may only be used for the purpose of this project application.
- Any amendments must be requested in writing prior to the end of the project.

## SCORING

- **Artistic Quality 30 Points**
  - Reflection of Texas Women for the Arts’ Vision
  - Project innovation and creativity
- **Capability 30 Points**
  - Outside support and organizational funding
  - Organizational management and capability
  - Project planning, implementation, and evaluation
- **Impact 40 Points**
  - Population served
  - Project impact

*Grantees must acknowledge Texas Women for the Arts on all materials associated with the recipient programs or projects. Grantees are also asked to include Texas Cultural Trust in mailing/email lists for news and updates on programs.*

### **Submission through the Texas Commission on the Arts**

Proposals submitted through the TCA should be sent to the Texas Commission on the Arts, Attn: Texas Women for the Arts, P.O. Box 13406, Austin, TX 78711 **OR** submitted by email to [women@arts.texas.gov](mailto:women@arts.texas.gov) (electronic submission is preferred).

You should receive a confirmation email upon receipt of your application.