



Culture elevates

Detail of piece by
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Power of culture



Programs At-a-Glance

GRANT OPPORTUNITIES: July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023

Fiscal Year 2023



About Mass Cultural Council

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Mass Cultural Council is your state agency working to promote and invest in a vibrant and diverse cultural sector.

We support the arts, humanities, and sciences with our grants, services, and advocacy. We partner with you: artists, communities, and organizations to advance the #PowerOfCulture across Massachusetts.

Mass Cultural Council strives to invest its resources equitably. Seeing the world through different perspectives —and bringing those ideas to life— is the charge of the cultural sector and its leaders.

Mass Cultural Council aims to support this vision with co-creative, innovative, equitable, inclusive, and decolonized programming and grant making.

From Executive Director, Michael J. Bobbitt

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Michael J. Bobbitt. Picture by Wesley Verge.

Hello friends!

This year, we are poised to distribute a historic level of public funding to Massachusetts artists, cultural organizations, and communities. We are excited to watch these investments activate your path towards growth and success, especially if you've never applied for, or received, funding from us before.

Thank you for making the world a better place!

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A performance of A Midsummer Night's Dream by Apollinaire Theatre Company.

Recovery Grants for Organizations DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 28, 2022

This one-time pandemic recovery program provides unrestricted grants ranging from \$5,000 to \$75,000 for Massachusetts cultural organizations, collectives, and businesses negatively impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Recovery Grants for Individuals DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 1, 2022

This one-time pandemic recovery program provides unrestricted grants of \$5,000 for artists, creatives, culture bearers, and gig workers to support recovery from the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

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Local Cultural Council Grants

DEADLINE: OCTOBER 17, 2022

Every community in Massachusetts is served by a Local Cultural Council (LCC), led by municipally appointed volunteers who administer an annual grant program to support local cultural projects. Grant amounts vary and applications are submitted directly to each LCC.



Many Cultures One Heart Festival in Framingham.

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STARS Residencies

DEADLINE: OCTOBER 25, 2022

Residencies that bring students and teachers together with practicing artists, scientists, and scholars to create rich cultural experiences in Massachusetts K-12 classrooms. Schools, individuals, and cultural organizations are eligible to apply. Residences must last a minimum of three days. Grants range from \$2,500 to \$6,100.

Gaming Mitigation Program

DEADLINE: DECEMBER 12, 2022

This program, which we administer at the direction of the Legislature, provides funding to Massachusetts nonprofit and municipal performing arts centers competing with casino venues to book and host touring shows and artists.



R.evolucion Latina residency with Lawrence High School. Photo: ASA Photographic.

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The House of the Seven Gables.

Festivals & Projects

DEADLINE: DECEMBER 12, 2022

NEW in FY23! \$2,500 grants to support cultural projects, programs, or festivals that provide community and/or public benefit.

Cultural Facilities Fund

DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 2, 2023

Grants to support the acquisition, design, repair, rehabilitation, renovation, expansion, or construction of nonprofit cultural facilities. Nonprofit cultural organizations, municipalities, and colleges or universities that own or lease cultural facilities are eligible to apply. Grants range from \$7,000 to \$200,000. *Managed in partnership with MassDevelopment.*

Online Resources

MassCulturalCouncil.org

- Agency Dates— Key dates for all Mass Cultural Council grant programs and events.
- Blogs— Our Power of Culture blog is your source for Agency and sector news and information. Visit ArtSake to dig into the creative work of Massachusetts artists.
- E-Newsletters— Sign up to receive one – or all three! – of the Agency’s monthly newsletters: Power of Culture, Artist News, and Community Initiative News.
- Grants Management System— Register once, apply for funding all year.
- HireCulture.org— A free, online listing of employment opportunities in Massachusetts.



Questions?

MassCulturalCouncil.org



Peabody Essex Museum, Salem.