



Council on
the Arts

Arts Grants for Queens & GO Queens Grant



Arts Grants For Queens

Read Guidelines Here:

<https://flushingtownhall.org/arts-grants-for-queens>

This program is supported by the New York State Council on the Arts, Statewide Community Re-grants Program (formerly the Decentralization program) with the support of Governor Kathy Hochul and the New York State Legislature.

Arts Grants For Queens



Community Arts Grant

For Queens-based
Organizations

\$1,000 - \$7,500

Artists in Queens Grant

For Queens-based
Individual Artists

\$5,000

Deadline: Thursday, December 18, 2025

Applications now open on Submittable:

<https://flushingtownhall.submittable.com/submit>

What Will These Grants Fund?



Projects that:

- Propose an arts or cultural program that directly serves the people of Queens
- Strengthen community bonds
- Increase overall awareness and greater access to cultural activities in Queens
- Advance the applicant organization's mission or the artist's practice
- Take place within 2026

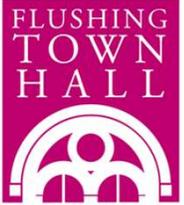




**Queens Community
Arts Grant:
\$1,000 - \$7,500**

The Queens Community Arts Grant provides support to **community-based organizations, groups** and **collectives** to hold arts and cultural projects or activities **for the public in Queens** to enhance the cultural climate in communities and neighborhoods where they live and operate - to make the arts **accessible to all.**

Project Eligibility



- Queens Community Arts Grant projects may include, but are not limited to: exhibitions, workshop series, performances (all disciplines), festivals, screenings or readings.
- Projects must:
 - Include a public component
 - Be held in Queens in 2026
- Projects may charge for admission

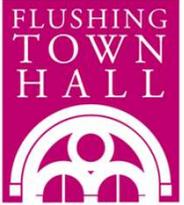


Nonprofit Organization Eligibility



- The applicant has an active and legal street address in Queens (PO boxes are not accepted)
- They have been active and in existence for at least one year
- They have an active board of directors that meets to determine and review organization policy and procedure
- They can provide in their application one of following proofs of nonprofit status:
 - A 501(c)(3) determination letter from the IRS
 - Documentation of charter by the NY State Board of Regents under section 216 of the State Education Law
 - A current NY State Bureau of Charities filing receipt
 - Documentation of incorporation under section 402 of the NY State Not-for-Profit Corporation Law

Applying with a Fiscal Sponsor



- Queens-based organizations, unincorporated groups and artist collectives may apply if partnering with a Queens-based nonprofit organization acting as a fiscal sponsor.
- Eligible fiscal sponsors must:
 - Meet the same eligibility requirements for nonprofit organizations
 - Be based in Queens.
- Eligible non-profit organizations may both be a fiscal sponsor and a direct applicant to the Queens Community Arts Grant.

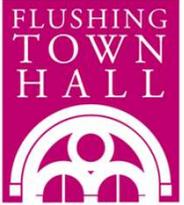
NOTE: Anyone applying with a fiscal sponsor must also submit a **letter of commitment**



Artists in Queens Grant \$5,000 per artist

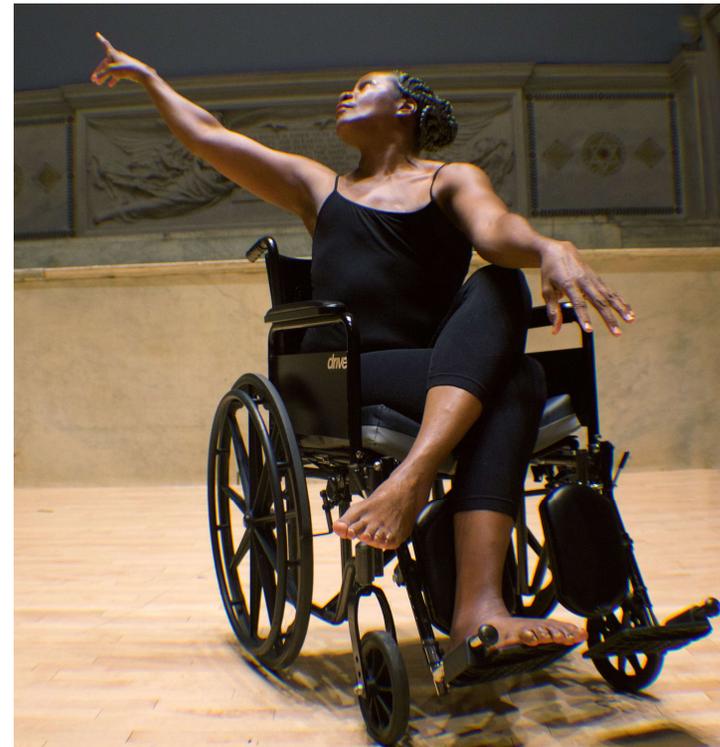
The **Artists in Queens Grant** supports individual artists that live in Queens for **the creation of new work in a community setting**. These grants highlight the role of artists as important members of the community as they **enhance the cultural climate** in communities and neighborhoods where they live and work.

Applicant Eligibility

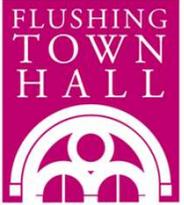


Eligible applicants must:

- Be at least 18 years old
- Cannot be enrolled in a full time degree or certificate-seeking program during 2026
- Be a current Queens resident (proof of residency required)
- All artistic disciplines are acceptable



Community Engagement Requirement



Artists In Queens Grant projects must have a community engagement component. The project must engage a segment of the community through a public program, such as an exhibition or performance that is open to the public, and/or the inclusion of community involvement in the development and creative process of the artists' project.

Some examples of this type of interaction include (but are not limited to):

- Interviews with a segment of the community.
- Creation of parallel work by a community group.
- Public art making workshops.
- Artist talk or Q&A with the community.
- Telling stories and anecdotes collected from a community group that relate to the concept or content of the project.



GO Queens Grant

Read Guidelines Here:

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This program is funded by The Howard Gilman Foundation

GO Queens Grant



25 Organization Grants
For General Operating Support
\$10,000

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What Will These Grants Fund?

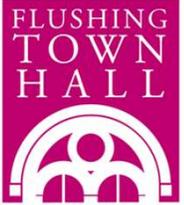


Funds can be used for eligible expenses including, but not limited to:

- Staff Salaries (for current employees, as well as for hiring new employees)
- Space/Office Rent
- Marketing Costs
- Equipment and Supply Purchases
- Other Day-to-Day Operational Needs
- 2026 program expenses



Who can apply?



Eligible applicants must:

- Be a Queens-based performing arts organization, or a multidisciplinary organization with the performing arts as a core focus/component of their mission and organization identity.
- Have been in existence and active for at least one year
- Have an operating budget of \$250,000 or less in the most recent completed fiscal year (Applicants must submit an operating budget).
- Have not received the GO Queens Grant in the previous year.
- Show how their work in the community strengthens and enriches Queens and NYC
- Have nonprofit status
 - Organizations without nonprofit status may apply with a fiscal sponsor

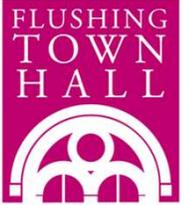
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If applying with a fiscal sponsor, the sponsor must:

- Be NYC-based (not just Queens), but the applying organization must still be Queens-based
- Provide the same proof of nonprofit status as previously mentioned for

Important Grant Cycle Dates



Applications Now Open!

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One-on-One Draft Reviews:

November – December

Submission Deadlines:

December 18, 2025

Panel Meetings: February

Notification: March*

*Pending receipt of funds from NYSCA



Executive Summary



Now Available!

The full report, coming later this fall, will expand on highlights in the Executive Summary with survey data, community quotes, and case studies.

Recommendations will go into greater detail on strategies to strengthen Queens' cultural sector and inspire new collaborations and collective impact.



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