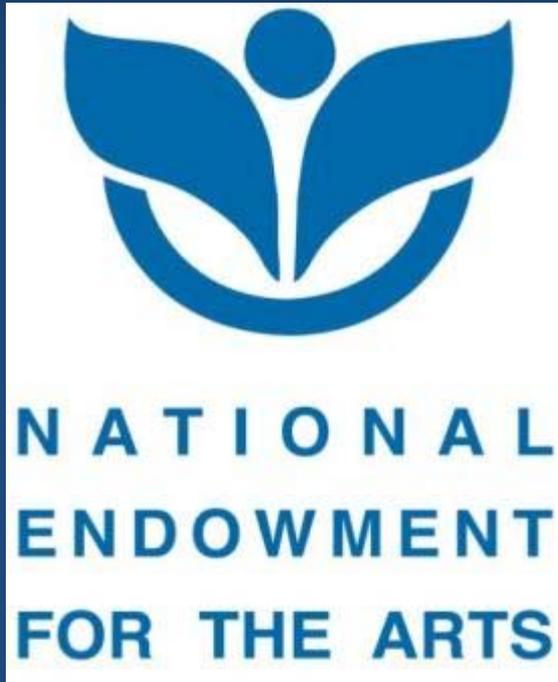


National Endowment for the Arts
Grants Workshop

August 21, 2009

Who We Are



The National Endowment for the Arts

is a public agency dedicated to supporting excellence in the arts, both new and established; bringing the arts to all Americans; and providing leadership in arts education.

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The National Endowment for the Arts

awards more than \$100 million each year to arts organizations of all sizes in all 50 states and U.S. territories.

We Support

- Arts Education
- Dance
- Design
- Folk and Traditional Arts
- Literature
- Local Arts Agencies
- Media Arts (Film/Radio/TV)
- Museums
- Music
- Musical Theater
- Opera
- Presenting Theater
- Visual Arts



Fellowships



Literature Fellowships

- Poetry
- Fiction and Creative Nonfiction
- Translation

Lifetime Honors

National Medal of Arts

The highest award given by the President of the U.S. each year to artists, arts patrons, or arts organizations for lifetime achievement

NEA National Heritage Fellowships

Recognize artistic excellence in the folk and traditional arts

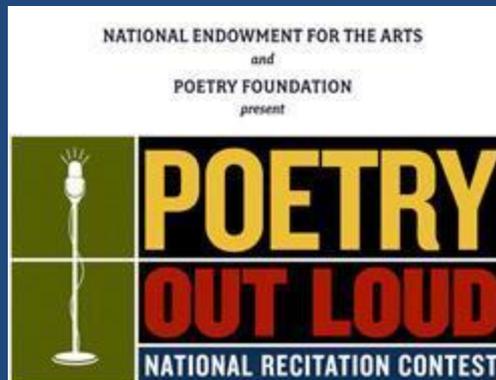
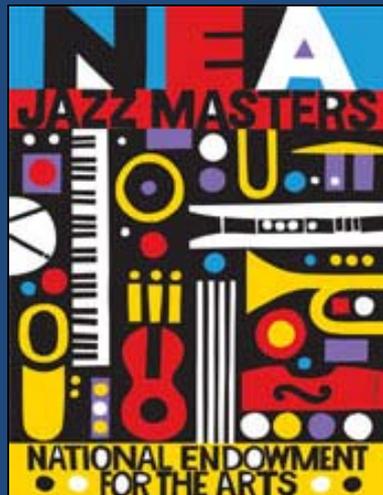
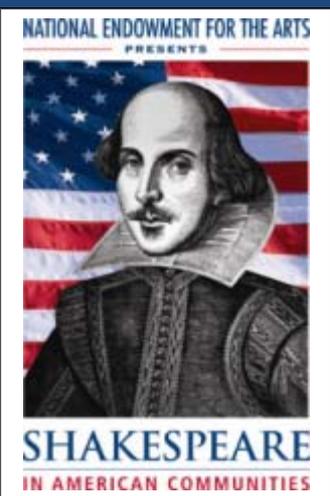
Recognize distinguished musicians who have made a significant contribution to jazz

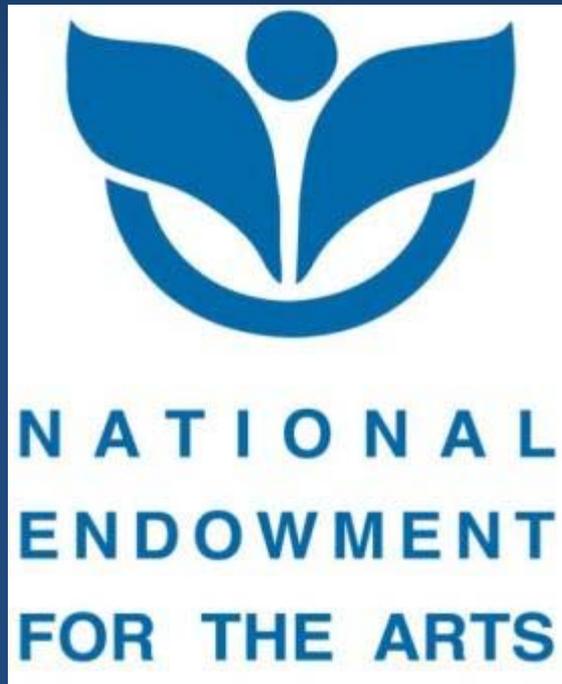
Recognize extraordinary contributions of creators, performers, composers, and others



National Initiatives

- Model programs of indisputable artistic quality and merit
- Broad national reach
- Conducted in partnership with other organizations
- Strong educational component





Applying For a Grant

Who May Apply

- Arts organizations
- Arts service organizations
- Local arts agencies
- Official units of state or local governments
- School districts
- Federally recognized tribal communities and tribes
- Other non-profit organizations



Requirements



- Nonprofit, tax-exempt 501(c)(3)
- Three-year history of programming
- One-to-one match for project budget*

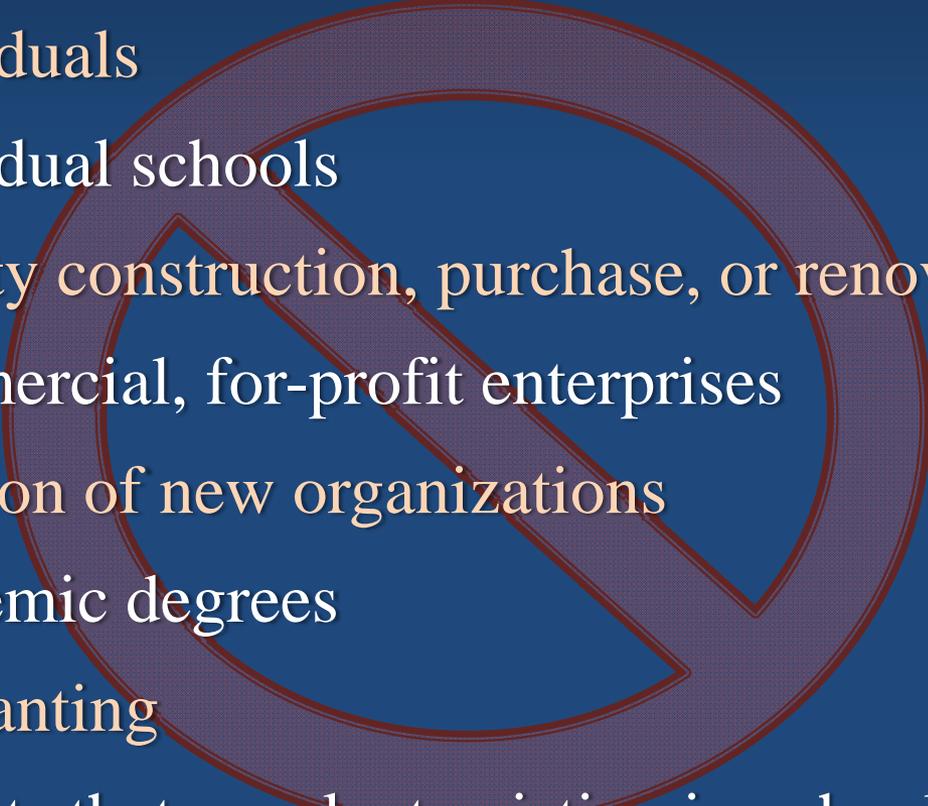
**With the exception of the one-time grant opportunities associated with the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA)*

Requirements



- Meet reporting requirements on any previous NEA awards
- Complete interim and final reports on time

We Do Not Fund

- General operating or seasonal support
 - Individuals
 - Individual schools
 - Facility construction, purchase, or renovation
 - Commercial, for-profit enterprises
 - Creation of new organizations
 - Academic degrees
 - Re-granting
 - Projects that supplant existing in-school arts instruction
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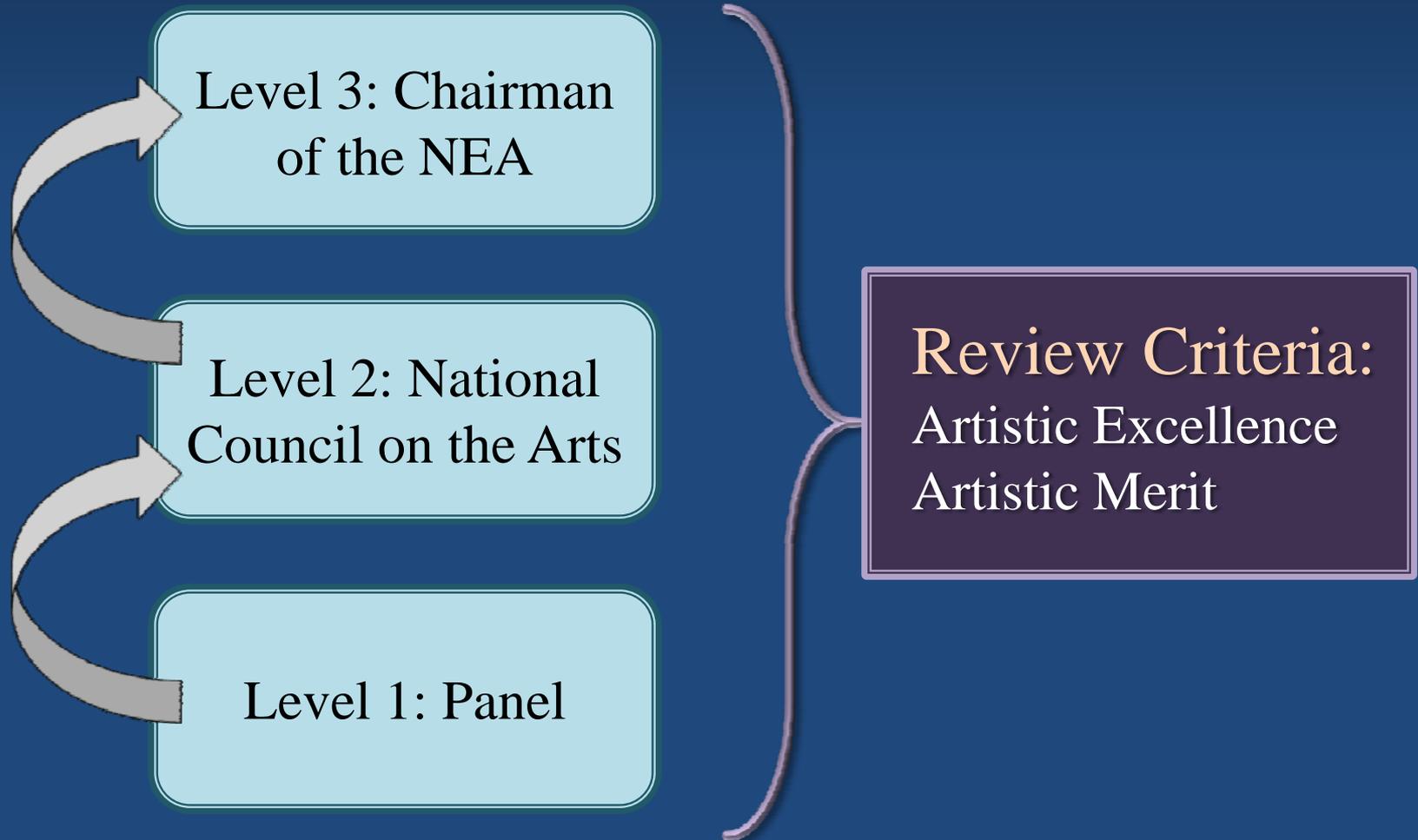
Grants Review Process

ADVISORY PANEL

- Diverse artistic experience and expression
- Geographic representation
- Gender and ethnic diversity
- Rotation of panelists
- Confidential deliberations
- Conflict-free panels



Grants Review Process



Grants For Arts Projects

Step 1: Select your discipline

Step 2: Select a funding Category

- Access to Artistic Excellence
- Challenge America: Reaching Every Community Fast-Track Review Grants
- Learning in the Arts for Children and Youth



Access to Artistic Excellence

August 13 Deadline

Projects must have a start date after June 1, 2010

2010 Deadlines will be announced in the coming months

Grants range from \$5,000- \$150,000



The next deadline will be in 2010.

Challenge America

Applicants are notified of awards within six months

Emphasis on underserved communities

All grants are \$10,000

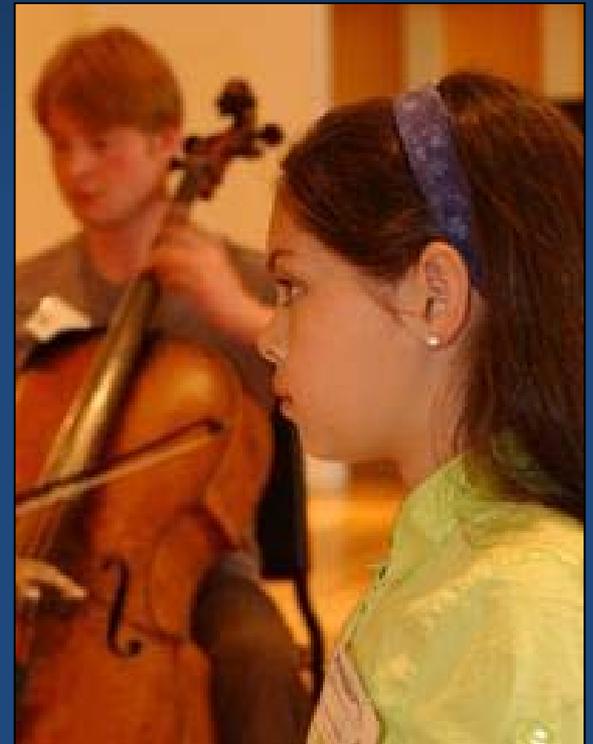


The next deadline will be in 2010.

Learning in the Arts For Children and Youth

All projects must include four components: experience, study, performance, and assessment

Grants range from \$5,000- \$150,000



The next deadline will be in 2010.

The Arts on Radio and Television

Projects make the arts widely available through nationally distributed radio and television programs

Projects must have a start date after May 1, 2010

Grants range from \$10,000- \$200,000



2009 Deadline: September 3, 2009

About Grants.gov

- Grants.gov is an online, government-wide electronic application system.
- All applicants must complete registration.
- An easy-to-follow checklist is found at www.arts.gov.
- We advise applicants to submit applications at least 10 days before the deadline.



Grants.gov

Grants.gov is mandatory for all categories.

Benefits of Grants.gov:

- Receive e-mail alerts about new grant opportunities
- Check your application status and application history
- Receive e-mail updates on the status of your application
- You no longer need to send multiple paper copies

Grants.gov Help Desk: 1-800-518-4726

www.arts.gov

The image shows a screenshot of the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) website as viewed in a Windows Internet Explorer browser. The browser's address bar shows the URL <http://www.arts.gov>. The website header features the NEA logo and the text "National Endowment for the Arts" and "A Great Nation Deserves Great Art". A search bar is visible on the right. A navigation menu is open, listing various sections: About Us, Grants, Recovery, News Room, National Initiatives, Lifetime Honors, Audio & Video, Publications, Research, NEA Partners, Resources, Features, and Donate. The "Grants" menu item is expanded, showing sub-links: "Apply for a Grant", "Manage Your Award", and "Recent Grants". A large white arrow points from a pink callout box to the "Apply for a Grant" link. The callout box contains the text "Apply for a grant". Below the navigation menu, the website provides contact information: "1100 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20506, 202.682-5400, webmg@arts.endow.gov". There is also an "Accessibility" icon and text. At the bottom, there are links for "FOIA | Privacy Policy | EEO | Site Map", "NEA Inspector General | Contact Us", and an "RSS Feed" icon. The browser's taskbar at the bottom shows several open applications, including "Inbox - Microsoft Outlook", "National Endowment for...", "National Endowment f...", "Grants Workshop ARCHE...", and "Microsoft PowerPoint - [...]". The system clock shows "9:23 AM".

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The screenshot shows a Windows Internet Explorer browser window displaying the NEA Grants for Arts Projects Frequently Asked Questions page. The address bar shows the URL: <http://www.nea.gov/grants/apply/GAP10/FAQs.html>. The page header features the National Endowment for the Arts logo and the text "Grants Apply for a Grant Grants for Arts Projects". A navigation menu includes "NEA Home".

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

[Introduction](#) | [Eligibility](#) | [Categories](#) | [Projects](#) | [Application Review](#)
[Grant Amounts](#) | [Grants.gov](#) | [The Application](#) | [Timing](#) | [After Notification](#)

INTRODUCTION

Are the application guidelines available only on the Web site?

We stopped printing and distributing booklets of guidelines and application forms in 2003. Electronic-only guidelines on our Web site provide a more flexible and user-friendly format for access to information. Once you choose your discipline and category, we hope that the application requirements -- that encompass just a few pages -- will be the only thing that you'll need to print out in hard copy. Other reference information will be available online at the touch of a button.

If you need application material in hard copy, you may still request it. However, bear in mind that you'll get a print out of what's on the Web site and not a glossy publication.

How can I find out when new guidelines are released?

To receive a notification whenever new NEA guidelines are posted or existing guidelines are modified, sign up for the notification service provided by Grants.gov, the federal government's online application system.

Sign up here.

Can I get help if something in the guidelines is unclear?

Yes -- we're here to help you. The list below will help you find the right person to talk to about your application.

If you have questions about **Access to Artistic Excellence**, contact the staff for the field or discipline that is most relevant to your project:

Artist Communities: paulq@arts.gov or 202/682-5600

Dance (including dance presentation): ottlongj@arts.gov or 202/682-5739,
mascellij@arts.gov or 202/682-5656

Opera (including operatic interpretation): roberta@arts.gov or 202/682-5600

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www.arts.gov

The screenshot shows the 'Grants: Recent Grants' page on the National Endowment for the Arts website. The browser is Internet Explorer, displaying the URL <http://www.arts.gov/grants/recent/index.html>. The page features a navigation menu with options: 'By Category', 'By Discipline', 'By State', and 'Panelists'. A 'SHARE' button is also visible. The content is organized by year, with sections for 2009, 2008, and 2007. Each year lists various grant programs with their respective deadlines.

2009

- [Access to Artistic Excellence I](#) (March 10, 2008 deadline)
- [Challenge America Fast-Track Grants](#)
- [Creativity & Aging in America](#)
- [Literature Fellowships: Creative Writing \(Poetry\)](#)
- [Literature Fellowships: Translation Projects](#)

2008

- [Access to Artistic Excellence I](#) (March 12, 2007 deadline)
- [Access to Artistic Excellence II](#) (August 13, 2007 deadline)
- [American Masterpieces: Chamber Music](#)
- [American Masterpieces: Presenting](#)
- [American Masterpieces: Visual Arts Touring](#)
- [Arts on Radio and Television](#)
- [Challenge America Fast-Track Review Grants](#)
- [Literature Fellowships: Creative Writing Fellowships](#)
- [Learning in the Arts for Children and Youth](#)
- [Literature Fellowships: Translation Projects](#)
- [Partnerships \(State and Regional\)](#)
- [Save America's Treasures](#)

2007

- [Learning in the Arts for Children](#)

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Resources



DEADLINES

Grants for Arts Projects

NOTE: Grants.gov is now the primary route that organizations will use when applying to the NEA. Before you can apply, you must be registered with grants.gov. Learn more about grants.gov by visiting our Web site at www.arts.gov and register now.

Access to Artistic Excellence

There are two application deadlines. The types of projects eligible under each vary according to the field/discipline of the project as indicated below. For further information, contact the staff for the appropriate field/discipline or view the NEA Web site at www.arts.gov.

Field/Discipline	Application Deadline: March 13, 2007 Earliest Project Start Date: January 1, 2008	Application Deadline: August 13, 2007 Earliest Project Start Date: June 1, 2008
Dance 202-962-6736	Commissions, Regional National Tours, Master Performances, Residencies, Services to the Field	Outreach, Preservation, Media and Technology
Design 202-962-6796	Innovation: Activities that advance, reform or disseminate the latest design techniques including, among others, competitions, commissions, exhibitions, publications, workshops, and conferences	Stewardship: Activities that protect, share, or celebrate our design heritage including, among others, historic preservation, education and outreach, exhibitions, publications, workshops, and conferences
Folk & Traditional Arts 202-962-6736 or 662-4428	Presentation of Living Cultural Heritage, Touring, Media	Heritage, Preservation, Outreach, Services to the Field, State or Regional Infrastructure Support
Literature 202-962-6771	Literary Publishing	Audience Development, Professional Development
Local Arts Agencies 202-962-6886	Services to the Field, Subgranting for Constituent Service Activities, Cultural Planning	Performing Arts, Events/Readings/Concerts/Spoken/Visual Arts Exhibitions, Artist Residencies/Commissions, Documentation/Conversations of Public and Monuments, NEA Subgranting for Constituent Programming Activities

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Helpful Hints

- Read the NEA Grant Guidelines
- Flesh out the project
- Review previously awarded grants
- Decide appropriate category and deadline for the project
- Contact discipline specialist or director for advice
- Double-check the math on the budget
- Choose an appropriate work sample
- Make note of the earliest project start date
- Review the application checklist
- Do not send your application materials via U.S. mail
- Apply through Grants.gov and register early

Contact Information



www.arts.gov

Application Guidelines
Available Online

General Information:
(202) 682-5400