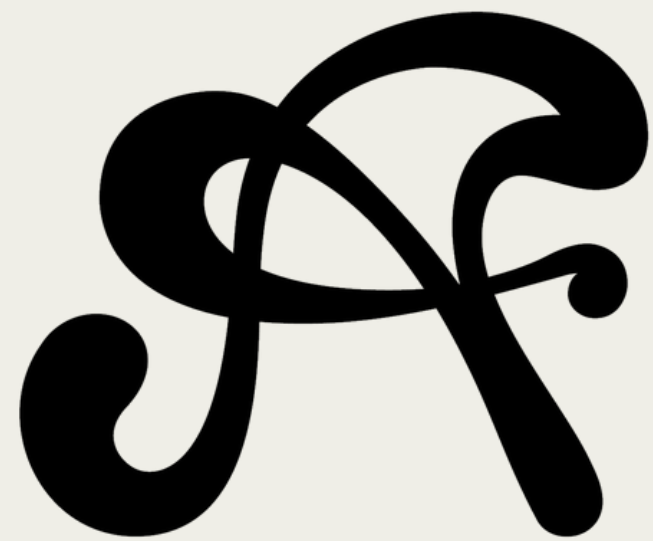


# Grants

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FOR CREATIVE INDIVIDUALS 2025 INFO SESSION



Arts  
Foundation  
of Cape Cod

Applying for the Arts Foundation  
Community Equity Grants for Creative Individuals

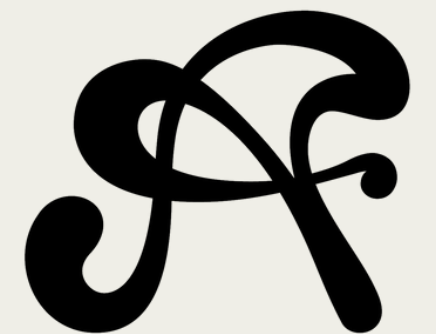
Empowering Artists Across  
Cape Cod, Martha's Vineyard, and Nantucket

Our Mission:

To support and strengthen a vibrant and diverse arts  
and cultural sector for everyone in the region.

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Our focus is supporting individual artists, cultural organizations,  
and community.

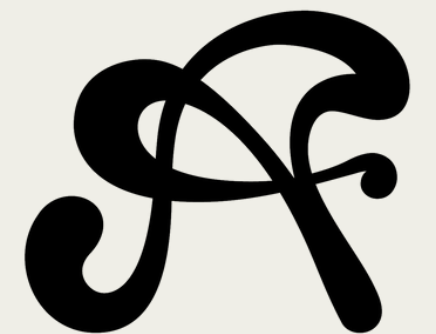


Purpose of these grants:

To advance creativity by funding individuals who demonstrate achievement in creative expression and commitment to their artistic practice.

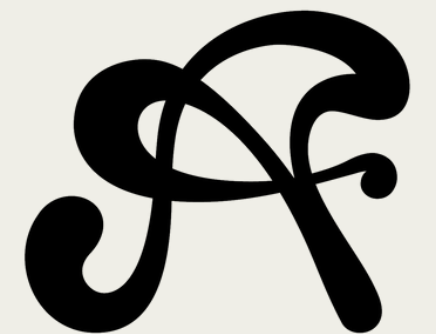
Funding range: \$2,500 to \$10,000 per grant

Funding period: June 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026



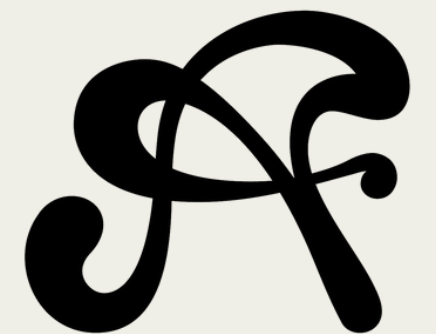
## Eligibility Criteria

- **Practicing Artist:** Recognized by peers, critics, or professionals; produces art regularly; earns a portion of income from creative work.
- **Residency:** Must reside in Barnstable, Dukes, or Nantucket Counties and expect to do so through the grant period.
- **Experience:** At least a two-year history of public engagement, presentation, or publication.
- **Age:** 18 years or older.
- **Citizenship:** U.S. Citizen with a Social Security number.
- **Exclusions:** Students pursuing any degree are **NOT eligible**; cannot be disbarred or suspended from receiving federal funding.



## Funding Goals

- **Community Engagement:** Projects that create access to the arts for all, breaking down barriers and fostering connections.
- **Audience:** Engage audiences of all ages and abilities.
- **Community Challenges:** Address issues like immigration, social justice, youth development, housing, mental health, healthcare, addiction, food insecurity, water quality, or climate change



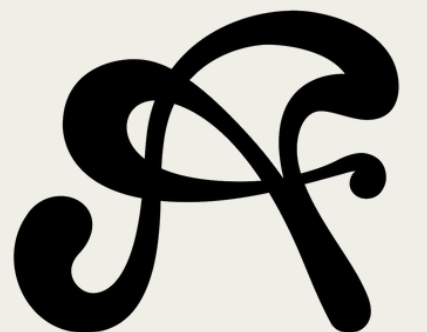
# Timeline

- Applications Open: Friday, March 7, 2025
- Application Deadline: Friday, May 2, 2025, at 11:59 PM
- Grant Awards Announced: Late May/Early June 2025
- Funding Period: June 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026
- Mid-Year Progress Report Due: December 5, 2025
- Final Report Due: Within 30 days after project completion or by July 30, 2026



## Application Process

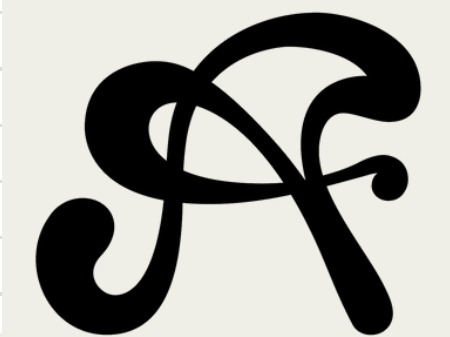
- **Platform:** Online submission via Submittable.
- **Preparation:** Start early; allocate significant time for narrative, budget, and all sections.
- **Budget:** Must include both income and expenses; income should equal expenses; use the provided template.
- **Recommendation:** Do not wait until the final day to start or submit your application.



# Budget

- Income MUST equal expenses.
- Your Arts Foundation request must be included as a source (listed as requested)
- Your budget should be as accurate and as realistic as possible
- Use the template and submit it to Submittable

<b>INCOME</b>		
Source	Amount	Requested or Confirmed
Arts Foundation of Cape Cod	\$ 2,500.00	Requested
Private donor	\$ 2,500.00	confirmed
Sponsorship	\$ 500.00	confirmed
InKind for printing	\$ 200.00	confirmed
<b>TOTAL INCOME:</b>	<b>\$ 5,700.00</b>	
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
<b>*Please list all expenses for your project.</b>		
Item	Amount	
Artist fees	\$ 5,000.00	
printing	\$ 200.00	
Venue rental	\$ 500.00	
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES:</b>	<b>\$ 5,700.00</b>	
<b>*The total must equal your overall project budget.</b>		





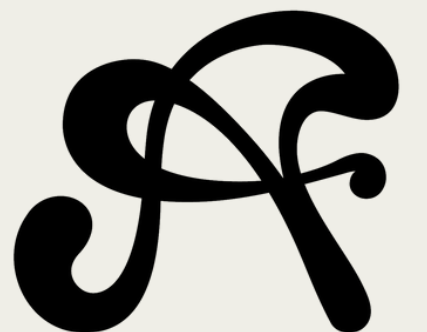
## National Endowment for the Arts

- Awardees will receive federal funding which comes with specific eligibility and reporting requirements.
- Must maintain accounting and supporting source documents (e.g. receipts, payroll records, etc.) for three years after project is closed out.
- Includes unallowable expenses as listed on grant application page.
- Follow-up questions may be asked of awardees related to specific projects (outdoor festivals, murals, temporary public art, etc.) for our NEA reporting.



## **Use the Rubric! Areas of focus include:**

- Artistic Merit
- Access & Inclusion
- Community Need & Impact
- Project Feasibility & Budget
- Applicant's Commitment & Engagement within Community



## Projects we funded in 2024

- 8 projects totaling \$60,000
- Grants ranged in size, from \$2,000 to \$10,000
  - **Samuel Holmstock** (\$10,000): Therapeutic drumming classes for children and adults with developmental delays at the Kennedy-Donovan Center
  - **Julia Cumes** (\$10,000): “Invisible Threads,” a portrait series sharing and celebrating the stories of foreign workers on Cape Cod and their contributions to the region.
  - **Manx Taiki Magyar** (\$8,270): “Unerased: A Film About Asian Voices on Cape Cod,” a 30-minute documentary exploring what it means to be Asian on the Cape
  - **Full List:** <https://artsfoundation.org/afcc-grants/> (2024 Artist Grants)



# Thank you!

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Questions:

Email us to connect

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