

FY21 FOLK ARTS FELLOWSHIP GRANT

Recognizing outstanding individual artists



HOW THE PROGRAM WORKS

The Fiscal Year 2021 (FY21) Folk Arts Fellowship Grant (FAF) from the Nevada Arts Council (NAC) recognizes outstanding accomplishments in the folk arts by Nevada artists.

Folk arts are created and preserved within communities defined by cultural connections such as a common ethnic heritage, language, religion, occupation, or geographic area. They include traditional hand-crafted objects, decorative arts, ceremonial costumes, music, dance, rituals/celebrations, and verbal arts.

Grantees must complete a public outreach activity that is relevant to their artistic discipline. The Final Report must be completed online within 45 days of the public outreach activity or by June 30, 2021, whichever is first.

ELIGIBILITY

Applicants must contact Folklife Program staff before applying to verify the eligibility of their art form to compete in the folk arts grant category and must meet the following requirements:

- Must be a current Nevada resident and have been in residence for at least one year prior to the date of the grant application
- Must be a U.S. citizen or have legal resident status
- Must be at least 21 years old
- Must not be enrolled as degree-seeking student
- Must be actively practicing in the discipline reflected in their résumé/biography and have an ongoing commitment to their art form
- Artists working in collaborations or in groups must apply as individuals

Folk Arts Fellowship recipients may not receive any other NAC grants during their grant year.

FAF FUNDING RESTRICTIONS

Please see the General Funding Restrictions on page 4 of the [FY21 GRANT POLICIES](#).

REVIEW PROCESS

This is a competitive grant category and grant funds are awarded based on panel scores and available funds. For more information, please see the Grant Review Process on page 5 of the [FY21 GRANT POLICIES](#).

FY21 APPLICATION DEADLINE

April 15, 2020

GRANT AMOUNT

\$5,000 (no match required)

ELIGIBILITY SNAPSHOT

Individual Artist, NV Resident, 21 years or older, non-student

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REVIEW CRITERIA

A. Artistic Excellence (75 points)

- Demonstrates mastery of traditional skills and techniques
- Reflects and conveys shared community values and aesthetics

B. Artistic Merit (25 points)

- Significance of the art form within the cultural community it represents

APPLICATION SUPPORT MATERIALS

All required materials must be submitted online with your completed application.

1. A copy of your valid Nevada Driver's License or ID (for proof of eligibility)

If you do not have a Driver's License/ID or if your NV Driver's License was renewed in the past 12 months, contact NAC staff to discuss other residency verification material

2. Résumé or Biography: Click [HERE](#) for details and samples of Artist Résumés and Biographies
3. Work Samples
 - Up to 15 recent, high quality work samples
 - Can include photos, audio recordings, and/or videos that effectively show the quality of the artist's work and the artist's process.
 - Digital images and video must show clear detail (contact Folklife Program staff with any questions regarding technical quality of work samples)
 - Submit an individual file for each distinct work (for 3 pieces, have 3 individual files rather than one file with 3 work samples edited together)
 - You may submit a link to a video sample or upload a video sample directly. Do not submit links to sites that require downloading (e.g. Dropbox).
 - Accepted file types:

Type	Video	Audio	Images
Max. #	3 @ 3 min. each	3 @ 3 min. each	15
Max. Time	Up to 10 minutes combined		
File Types	MP4, MOV, WMV, or links	MP3, WAV, or links	PDF, JPG

HOW TO APPLY

Please review the [FY21 GRANT POLICIES](#) before applying. Then complete application questions and submit all required support material online at: <https://nevadaartscouncil.submittable.com/submit>

Click [HERE](#) to access additional resources for NAC grant applicants including a guide to submitting applications online.