



BRITISH COLUMBIA
ARTS COUNCIL

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The SVCAC recognizes that we carry out our work on the unceded tum xula7xw/traditional territory of the s̓n̓ɢaʔckstx/Sinixt peoples. We acknowledge and raise our hands with gratitude to the ancestors and keepers of the land.

Submission deadline: March 31, 2022

The Slocan Valley Community Arts Council (SVCAC) is accepting applications for the 2022 Member Grants cycle. Please read all guidelines carefully. Questions can be directed to svcart@gmail.com.

Mandate:

To increase and broaden the opportunities for residents of the tum xula7xw of the s̓n̓ɢaʔckstx (otherwise known as the Slocan Valley, BC) and area to enjoy and participate in arts and cultural activities.

Values:

Slocan Valley Community Arts Council Values

- The diversity of our community
- We embrace and celebrate the unique characteristics of the people who live here
- The Slocan Valley as a place of refuge, acceptance, and belonging
- Accountability regarding fiscal and governance
- Being responsive to our community's unique needs
- Cultural equity and equal access to a variety of arts and cultural experiences
- All artistic practices, mediums, and approaches
- Supporting artists at all levels of their practice, from emerging to professional
- Paying professional CARFAC fees to artists
- Collaboration and partnerships

Program Description

SVCAC acts as a hub to support arts and culture projects. Funding from the British Columbia Arts Council and the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) enables the Member Grants program to fund individual and group artists. Mediums include but are not limited to performance, writing, film, music and voice, crafts, sculpture, drawing, and visual arts. The grants are intended to increase opportunities for Slocan Valley residents to create, enjoy, and participate in the arts. The program has been providing member grants for over 30 years, distributing many thousands of dollars to artists in the region.

2022 Member grants cycle

The application is open from February 1st - March 31st, 2022.

Grants are awarded up to \$500 per individual or up to \$1000 per group.

A group is defined as a collection of 2+ persons that work collaboratively. A group may be a non-profit organization.

Applicants are not required to have secured other sources of revenue over and above the requested SVCAC funding.

Eligibility Requirements

- Projects must take place between May 1, 2022 and April 30th 2023.
- Projects must align with the SVCAC values
- Applicants must be a member in good standing with the Slocan Valley Arts Council
 - Memberships can be obtained on our website at slocanvalleyarts.ca/membership
- 2021 Successful applicants Members that have previously received SVCAC funding must have submitted a Final Report to be eligible to apply for further funding
- SVCAC supports artists who thoughtfully engage with traditional knowledges, histories, and stories regarding cultural contexts
- SVCAC dedicates resources to serve equity-seeking artists
- SVCAC does not fund projects that are culturally unsafe nor perpetuate systems of oppression or violence
- Late applications will not be accepted
- Applications must be legible and complete with a balanced budget
- Applications will be accepted by [Google form](#)
- Successful grant applicants agree to have their name, project title, and project description on our website
- Board members are in-eligible to apply for SVCAC grants

Evaluation Process

Applications are evaluated by an adjudication panel made up of current Board members and selected artists working in the community. The panel consists of two to three Board members, and up to three community members. Community members must have an active membership with the SVCAC, and must be residents of the Slocan Valley. No member of the adjudication panel will participate in the decision making for any application (individual or group) that they have a conflict of interest with. A conflict of interest occurs where a personal interest is related to the adjudication duty, whereby a reasonably well-informed person would conclude that the interest might influence the exercise of that duty. If a conflict of interest occurs, the adjudicator will excuse themselves.

Evaluation Criteria

Artist criteria (40%)

- The applicant's past work demonstrates a level of merit to warrant public funding
- The quality and achievability of the concept and work-plan
- The potential contribution to an art form or an artistic process
- For organizations, diversity and inclusion is demonstrated by Board members, staff members, volunteers and participants (include elements of inclusiveness on the basis of gender, race, culture, religion, disability, or sexual orientation).

Community based criteria (35%)

- The contribution to the Slocan Valley community (audience, beneficiaries, artists, performances and volunteers should be valley focused).
- Consideration will be given to ways the member grants can best support persons and groups experiencing vulnerabilities, and ways that member grants can encourage social change.

Project feasibility criteria (25%)

The applicant demonstrates reasonable planning to accomplish the project including:

- A realistic and balanced project budget
- A realistic project timeline

Expense Eligibility

Eligible Expense examples:

- Cost of material
- Travel expenses
- Equipment rentals
- Artist fees/ subsistence
- Professional services (ex. editing)
- Professional development

Ineligible Expenses:

- Bodies of work already started prior to submission
- Mass reproduction of existing work
- Creation of commissioned work, or developing instructional work intended as a source of income (for writers, non-creative works are not eligible)
- Purchase of capital equipment over \$200
- Solely promo/ marketing projects are not eligible

For Successful Applicants:

- Applicants must sign the SVCAC funding agreement prior to the disbursement of funds.
- Applicants will notify SVCAC of any changes to their project, major changes will require approval.

- In recognition of funding, SVCAC should be acknowledged on all promotional materials, hard copy and online related to the funded project. Funded applicants are encouraged to add a link to SVCAC on their websites and social media.
- Applicants will be asked to submit photos and videos where relevant demonstrating the successful completion of the project.
- I agree that the SVCAC can disclose to the public my name, and the amount and nature of the funding granted

Applicants who have difficulty writing the application can seek supports by contacting SVCAC via email at least 2 weeks prior to the grant deadline.

Reporting:

Successful grant recipients must submit a short Final Report within 90 days of the completion of the project. A copy of the report will be provided with approval letters and contracts.

SVCAC will be notifying applicants of the results of the adjudication process by early May 2022.