

Local Arts Project Grants

General Policies

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Any person or group applying to the BVCAC for a grant must be (or become) a member of the Council in order to receive funding. See grant application form for details.

The BVCAC (or designated committee) will take into account the following when considering a grant application:

- Benefit to the arts community, including degree of activity, number of members, and whether arts participants (performers) are from within the community (*goal: to encourage the community to participate in the arts*)
- Degree of need, and whether other funding sources are available (*goal: to provide support where most needed*)
- Whether the applicant is just starting up (*goal: to provide start-up support for new arts groups*)
- Whether the applicant is on the wane, with fewer projects/participants (*goal: to provide the greatest support to the most active groups*)
- Structure of the applicant/group (*goal: to preferentially support amateur and not-for-profit organizations*)
- Does the proposal contribute to the Arts Council's charitable purposes?
- Past support from the BVCAC (*goal: to encourage applicants toward independence*)
- Funds are to be applied only to the project specified in the application

The BVCAC has the right to monitor the progress of the project to which funds were awarded. The Council will on occasion grant a request to an organization that is not a registered society. In this instance the recipient will agree to the following:

- To use the money in accordance with the BVCAC's charitable objectives.
- If requested, provide the BVCAC with a final report and/or financial statement signed by the person responsible for finances.