

Florida Division of Cultural Affairs

Scoring Rubric for

General Program Support and Specific Cultural Project Applications

(For Specific Cultural Project Arts in Education or Underserved Cultural Community Development Applications please see Division website for additional rubric indicators)

How to use this rubric

Grant panelists will receive a copy of the rubric as a part of their panelist training materials. The rubric will be employed to ensure as fair and unbiased a panel process as possible. The scoring mechanism defines each of the four criteria scored by panelists: Excellence, Impact, Management, and Accessibility. Within each criterion, benchmark descriptions and corresponding point values are listed to serve as a guide in the scoring process.

Grant applicants can use the rubric as a guideline in completing their applications for the deadline.

Overall consideration for the applications:

Value	Description	Score
Excellent	Strongly demonstrates public value of arts and culture. Merits investment of State of Florida	92 – 100
	funding.	
Good	Satisfactorily demonstrates public value of arts and culture. Merits investment of State of	80 - 91
	Florida funding.	
Fair	Does not sufficiently demonstrate public value of arts and culture. Does not merit investment	61 -79
	of State of Florida funding.	
Weak	Makes an incomplete and/or inadequate case for the public value of arts and culture. Does not	0 - 60
	merit investment of State of Florida funding. Information is confusing, unclear, and lacks	
	specific details.	

Quality of Offerings (Up to 35 Points)

Panelists will consider the following application information when evaluating an application for Quality of Offerings: Applicant Mission Statement, Programming/Project Description, Partnerships and Collaborations, Programming/Project Evaluation Plan and Required Attachments and Support Materials

Excellent	Good	Fair	Weak
32 – 35 points	28 – 31 points	21 – 27 points	0 – 20 points
Mission statement clearly describes	Mission statement describes	Mission statement	Mission statement does not clearly
organization and programs/activities	organization and	describes organization and	describe organization and
fully support the mission	programs/activities fully	programs/activities do not	programs/activities do not fully
	support the mission	fully support the mission	support the mission
Identifies clear goals and fully	Identifies clear goals and	Identifies goals and limited	Does not identify goals and very
measurable objectives and activities	measurable objectives and	measurable objectives and	minimal objectives and activities
	activities	activities	
Clearly describes exemplary	Clearly describes proposed	Describes proposed	Proposed programing/project and
proposed programming/project and	programing/project and	programing/project and	their relevance to the intended
their relevance to the intended	their relevance to the	their relevance to the	participants, audiences and
participants, audiences and	intended participants,	intended participants,	communities are unclear
communities	audiences and communities	audiences and	
		communities	
Evaluation methods are well-	Measureable evaluation	Evaluation methods are not	Evaluation methods are not clear
defined, clear, and fully	methods help the	fully measureable and only	and/or measureable and do not help
measureable, and are employed to	organization achieve its	minimally help the	the organization achieve its mission
help the organization achieve its	mission and proposed	organization achieve its	and proposed programming/project
mission and proposed	programming/project	mission and proposed	
programming/project		programming/project	
Extensive and clearly describes	Clearly describes	Limited	Minimal and unclear
partnerships/collaborations	partnerships/collaborations	partnerships/collaborations	partnerships/collaborations
Required Attachments and Support	Required Attachments and	Required Attachments and	Required Attachments and Support
Materials clearly demonstrate	Support Materials clearly	Support Materials	Materials are unclear
exemplary programming	demonstrate programming	demonstrate programming	
Score:			

Impact (Up to 35 Points)

Panelists will consider the following application information when evaluating an application for Impact: the number of proposed events, opportunities for public participation, and counties served; location and reach of the programming/project; estimated number of individuals, youth, elders, and artists benefiting; marketing/promotion/publicity plans and audience development/expansion; programming/project impact narrative; Diversity, Equity and Inclusion considerations; and physical as well as socioeconomic and geographic Accessibility of facilities and programming/project.

Excellent 32 – 35 points	Good 28 – 31 points	Fair 21 – 27 points	Weak 0 – 20 points
Provides vital arts and cultural services to community or service area	Provides significant arts and cultural services to community or service area	Provides arts and cultural services to community or service area	Provides minimal arts and cultural services to community or service area
Provides compelling and specific information about extensive economic impact of programs and/or projects that relate to the organization's mission	Demonstrates significant economic impact of programs/projects that relate to the organization's mission	Describes limited economic impact of projects/programs that relate to the organization's mission	Describes very minimal economic impact of programs/projects, and is not measureable
Extensive activities are proposed and are achievable within the grant period	Reasonable activities are proposed and these activities are achievable within the grant period	Limited activities are proposed and/or concerns about the achievability of the activities within the grant period	Very minimal activities are proposed and/or serious concerns about the achievability of the proposed activities during the grant period
Educational and outreach components fully serve the constituency and are appropriate for the program(s) or project(s)	Educational and outreach components serve the constituency, and are appropriate for the program(s) or project(s)	Limited educational and outreach components serve the constituency and are minimally appropriate for the program(s) or project(s)	Very minimal educational and outreach components do not serve the constituency and are not appropriate for the program(s) or project(s)
Very appropriate and effective marketing/promotion/publicity and audience development/expansion efforts	Appropriate and effective marketing/promotion/publicity and audience development/expansion efforts	Limited and minimally effective appropriate marketing/promotion/publicity and audience development/expansion efforts	Very limited and minimally effective marketing/promotion/publicity and audience development/expansion efforts
Very appropriate number of individuals benefiting from the	Appropriate number of individuals benefiting from the	Minimal number of individuals benefiting from the	Very minimal number of individuals benefiting from the

program/project	program/project	program/project	program/project
Has a staff person responsible for	Has a staff person responsible	Has a staff person responsible	Does not have a staff person
compliance with Section 504 of the	for compliance with Section	for compliance with Section	responsible for compliance with
Rehabilitation Act, Americans with	504 of the Rehabilitation Act,	504 of the Rehabilitation Act,	Section 504 of the Rehabilitation
Disabilities Act and Florida Statutes	Americans with Disabilities Act	Americans with Disabilities Act	Act, Americans with Disabilities
553	and Florida Statutes 553	and Florida Statutes 553	Act and Florida Statutes 553
Has completed the Section 504	Has completed the Section 504	Has completed the Section 504	Has never completed the
Self Evaluation Workbook from the	Self Evaluation Workbook from	Self Evaluation Workbook from	Section 504 Self Evaluation
NEA in the last 2 years or for 1 st	the NEA or the Abbreviated	the NEA or the Abbreviated	Workbook from the NEA or the
time self-evaluations the	Accessibility Checklist in the	Accessibility Checklist in the	Abbreviated Accessibility
Abbreviated Accessibility Checklist	last 5 years	last 6 or more years	Checklist
Has policy, procedures and	Has policy, procedures and	Has policy, procedures and	Does not have policy,
complaint processes that address	complaint processes that	complaint processes that	procedures and complaint
non-discrimination	address non-discrimination	address non-discrimination	processes that address non-
			discrimination
Organization's programming,	Some of the organization's	Plans are made for making	No effort is made towards
facilities, related materials, and	programming, facilities,	programming, facilities, related	making programming, facilities,
communications are fully	related materials, and	materials, and communications	related materials, and
accessible and consider issues of	communications are accessible	accessible and consider issues	communications accessible and
Diversity, Equity and Inclusion	and consider issues of	of Diversity, Equity and	consider issues of Diversity,
	Diversity, Equity and Inclusion.	Inclusion	Equity and Inclusion
	Plans are made to continue to		
	improve accessibility.		

Track Record (Up to 30 points)

Panelists will consider the following application information when evaluating an application for Track Record: the applicant's reporting history and current compliance, Operating and Programming/Project Budget; Programming/Project Evaluation Plan; and Fiscal Condition and Sustainability.

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