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The Arts Vibrancy Endowment was established and funded by community members who believe that artistic investment contributes to a thriving community. The Community Foundation’s goal is to provide financial resources to local artists enabling them to pursue their artistic vision and to promote opportunities for them to share their art with the community.

The Artist Award grant program (formerly Individual Artist Award), funded through the Arts Vibrancy Endowment, offers three $5,000 awards and four $2,500 awards totaling $25,000 in grants to aid individual artists or groups/collaboratives in the creation of original works. All art forms and idioms, including, but not limited to, visual arts, dance, music, fabric arts, photography, theater, and literary arts, are eligible for an Artist Award.

Artists may apply for an award to fund a speciﬁc short-term project that has clear beneﬁts to the artist and the development of their work. For groups/collaboratives, only one person may apply as the primary applicant representative of the group or collaborative.

Awards must be used to achieve a speciﬁc objective (e.g., performance, show, display, etc.) or opportunity that will be accomplished within one year of the award date. Financial resources are available to artists for such things as to offset travel and fees associated with study opportunities; to bring an artist to Juneau to teach a class; professional documentation of an artist’s work for submission to juried shows or galleries; and costs associated with the creation/installation of work scheduled for public viewing. Cost-of-living expenses may be included, but applicants should clearly explain how this would allow them to accomplish their project goals.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

* Artists at any career stage may apply.
* You must have been living full-time in the City and Borough of Juneau for the past two years at the time of your application and remain a resident for the duration of the grant period.
* You must be at least 18 years old at the time of application.
* You must currently be producing work.
* Past Individual Artist Award recipients must have received their award more than two years ago and completed all reporting.

**Artists are NOT eligible to apply if they are**:

* A student enrolled in any degree-seeking program related to the arts at any educational level.
* A current or former board member, committee member, staff member, or consultant for the Juneau Community Foundation, a current advisory member, or an immediate family member of the same.
* Individuals whose work or project is primarily research, scholarly, or commercial in nature.
* Artists who have received this award within the two prior years.

SELECTION CRITERIA FOR AWARDS INCLUDE

* The quality of artistic work within the context of the individual’s or group’s experience, training, and career stage.
* The artist’s or group’s creative accomplishments and the promise of future artistic excellence.
* The quality and thoroughness in completing the application.
* How likely an award at this time will impact an applicant’s future artistic career growth.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

The application deadline is Friday, August 15, 2025, by 5:00 p.m. Submit a completed application package to: [grants@juneaucf.org](mailto:grants@juneaucf.org). All applicants will be notiﬁed by the Juneau Community Foundation of the decision made by the Arts Vibrancy Endowment Selection Committee in mid-September.

Completed Application Requirements:

* Application coversheet (found below).
* Description of activities, including a timeline that ﬁts within one year, and a plan with speciﬁc outcomes.
* Project budget, including all the expenses and funding for the proposed use of your award and, where applicable, any other expenses and funding, including secured sources of funding.
* Artist CV - Include other grants and ﬁnancial awards in the last three years, along with amounts received.
* Artist statement describing things such as why you do what you do, what your art means to you, what it communicates, and what inspires or drives you to make art.
* Work samples. Applicants should submit digital examples of recent work demonstrating their level of artistic accomplishment. This may include 5 digital photos; video(s) up to 10 minutes total; up to 15 pages of written materials or the ﬁrst chapter for book-length creations. Alternatively, a link to your website will meet this requirement.

**Do not submit original artwork.**

AWARD TERMS

Grants will be made directly to the applicant by mid-September for use within the following year. Before award funds may be disbursed, Arts Vibrancy Endowment Artist Award recipients will fill out a W9 and sign a grant agreement that details the one-year award period and the requirement to submit a ﬁnal project report describing their accomplishments and the importance of the award to their ongoing artistic and career development, and a budget report detailing expenses as related to the budget submitted with the application.

The Juneau Community Foundation does not provide tax advice regarding how to report these funds for tax purposes. Successful applicants should consult their tax advisor or the IRS.

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Submit to: [grants@juneaucf.org](mailto:grants@juneaucf.org)

Name of Applicant:      

Name of Group or Collaborative (please list all members’ names):      

Mailing Address:

City:       State:       Zip Code:

Contact for this Request:

Contact Phone Number:

Contact Email Address:

# Total Funding Amount Requested:

$5,000

$2,500

PLEASE INCLUDE THIS COVER SHEET ALONG WITH THE FOLLOWING:

(Refer to *Completed Application Requirements* above for details.)

* Artist statement
* A description of your project/program. Include a title, even if tentative. [200 words]
* Total project budget
* Explain how the funds will be used. Please describe activities, including a timeline that ﬁts within one year, and a plan with speciﬁc outcomes [400 words]
* Artist CV [single page]
* Work samples

*Please contact Christy Ciambor, Program Director, at* [*grants@juneaucf.org*](mailto:grants@juneaucf.org) *if you have any questions.*