

**New opportunities received in April are at the end of this email.**

*As a precautionary measure, and to help stem the spread of Covid-19 (coronavirus), the offices and galleries of the Caldwell Arts Council are closed to the public, and all programs are suspended until further notice. Please contact us only by email: [Suzette@caldwellarts.com](mailto:Suzette@caldwellarts.com); [Ellen@caldwellarts.com](mailto:Ellen@caldwellarts.com); [Office@caldwellarts.com](mailto:Office@caldwellarts.com).*

**Emergency funding opportunities for artists –**

North Carolina Arts Council: <https://ncarts.org>

<https://visualartexchange.wufoo.com/forms/r545x8q1supxwk/>

<https://www.womenarts.org/funding-resources/emergencyfunds/>

<https://joanmitchellfoundation.org/uploads/pdf/Emergency-Grant-Resources-for-Artists.pdf>

<https://www.nyfa.org/>

<https://www.stevegiovinco.com/complete-list-of-emergency-fundsgrant-for-visual-artists/>

<https://www.artistcommunities.org/emergency-relief-programs>

<https://www.backher.com/toolbox/emergency-need-based-resources>

<http://www.thehavenfdn.org/links/>

<https://www.gottliebfoundation.org/emergency-grant>

<https://www.format.com/magazine/resources/art/best-art-grants>

<https://www.foundationforcontemporaryarts.org/grants/emergency-grants>

<https://www.icareifyoulisten.com/2020/03/covid-19-emergency-funding-artist-resources/>

<https://creative-capital.org/2020/03/13/list-of-arts-resources-during-the-covid-19-outbreak/>

<https://cerfplus.org/get-relief/apply-for-help/>

<https://cerfplus.org/>

<https://www.worldartfoundations.com/foundation-contemporary-arts-emergency-grant/>

<https://artdeadline.com/ops/fca-artist-emergency-grants/>

GRANT OPPORTUNITY for individual Artists - <https://www.southarts.org/individual-artists/individual-artist-career-opportunity-grants/>

RECEIVED FROM: ARTS NORTH CAROLINA - ADVOCACY MATTERS - March 26, 2020

Pandemic Relief Bill Passes US Senate

Forgivable Loans Available to Arts Nonprofits

NC Unemployment Benefits up to \$950 /week

NEA Funding, Universal Charitable Deduction

Arts NC COVID-19 Updates and Action Last night the US Senate passed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) which looks to be heading for approval in the US House of Representatives and to President Trump's desk for signature in the coming days. This bill would provide forgivable Small Business Administration loans for struggling non-profit arts organizations **and independent artists**, as well as \$75 million of emergency funding available through the National Endowment for the Arts. A massive expansion of unemployment benefits that would put up to \$950 per week into the pockets of many North Carolinians (including self-employed and contract workers such as independent artist) and increases the period that someone can receive benefits from 12 weeks to 25 weeks. You can see a detailed summary of Pandemic Relief for the Arts in the CARES Act at the Arts NC COVID-19 Action & Resource Center. LEARN MORE about Pandemic Relief for the Arts in the CARES Act. Additional information about provisions in the CARES Act that effect

nonprofits and the issues the NC nonprofit sector will be addressing with the NC General Assembly can be found at the NC Center for Nonprofits. <https://ncnonprofits.org>. The incredible struggles that will be caused by the COVID-19 pandemic will be incredibly difficult for the arts sector, for the nation, and for the world. Government cannot solve these problems for us. Government will only be able to solve them WITH US. If we are going to work together, we will need to communicate. That communication is called advocacy. That is what will need to do in the coming weeks to be sure we have a vibrant future for the arts in North Carolina.

Received from ARROWMONT School of Arts and Crafts on April 9<sup>th</sup>:

To support artists during the COVID-19 crisis, a coalition of national arts grantmakers have come together to create an emergency initiative to offer financial and informational resources to artists across the United States: the Artist Relief Fund. Visit

<https://artistrelief.org>.

Yesterday, Americans for the Arts (<https://americansforthearts.org>) announced that a consortium of funders have worked together to create the Artist Relief Fund, a \$10 million national emergency relief fund for artists and creative workers that will provide \$5,000 no-strings-attached grants. It is intended for anyone who earns income from their creative or artistic practice and who has also been affected by COVID-19.

To be eligible for a relief grant, applicants must be:

Practicing artists able to demonstrate a sustained commitment to their work, careers, and a public audience

Experiencing dire financial emergencies due to the COVID-19 pandemic

21 years of age or older

Able to receive taxable income in the U.S. (e.g. citizen, green card holder, and/or permanent resident who can provide a W9 and SSN or ITIN)

Residing and working in the U.S. for the last two years

Not a full-time employee, board member, director, officer, or immediate family member of any of the coalition partners

Not previously awarded a relief grant from this fund

Americans for the Arts is a proud research partner in that effort, and in that role was asked to develop and deploy the COVID-19 Impact Survey for Artists and Creative Workers (<https://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/5532991/6539d78e3593>), which is designed to capture financial and creative impact of COVID-19 on creative workers, highlight the resiliency and generosity of the creative sector, and make sure that the 5 million creative workers in the U.S. are supported and heard during this ongoing crisis and the eventual recovery.

If you or any of your friends, family or colleagues have been negatively impacted by the ongoing COVID-19 crisis, we invite you visit the Artist Relief Fund webpage and funding application, as well as the survey. In addition to ensuring creative workers can sustain their practice, Americans for the Arts' goal in collecting this data is to provide research that will support Federal policy efforts in the next phase of stimulus and COVID-19 recovery; policies that are specific to individual creative workers.

RECEIVED FROM ASHE COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL 4/9/20:

North Carolina Grant Watch: <https://northcarolina.grantwatch.com>

North Carolina Arts Council COVID-19 Content Resource Guide for Artists:

[https://files.nc.gov/ncarts/covid-](https://files.nc.gov/ncarts/covid-19_content_resources_guide_for_artists.pdf?utm_source=BenchmarkEmail&utm_campaign=Apr_07_2020_Artists&utm_medium=email)

[19\\_content\\_resources\\_guide\\_for\\_artists.pdf?utm\\_source=BenchmarkEmail&utm\\_campaign=Apr\\_07\\_2020\\_Artists&utm\\_medium=email](https://files.nc.gov/ncarts/covid-19_content_resources_guide_for_artists.pdf?utm_source=BenchmarkEmail&utm_campaign=Apr_07_2020_Artists&utm_medium=email)

RECEIVED FROM WILKES ART GALLERY 4/8/20 (their staff has been working to compile resources for artists:

- You can apply for the Payroll Protection Program through your preferred lender to cover any loss of wages. Even if you are a 1099 employee who is without work, apply! It's a "loan" that does not have to be repaid (essentially a grant). <https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/loans/coronavirus-relief-options/paycheck-protection-program-ppp>
- The Economic Injury Disaster Loan Emergency Advance will provide emergency funding with a maximum \$10,000 loan advance that does not have to be repaid. The maximum loan amount is \$2 million. Non-profits can also apply for this loan. <https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/loans/coronavirus-relief-options/economic-injury-disaster-loan-emergency-advance>

The websites below also contain helpful links and information:

North Carolina Arts Council <https://www.ncarts.org/arts-north-carolina-and-covid-19>

Americans for the Arts <https://www.americansforthearts.org/by-topic/disaster-preparedness/coronavirus-covid-19-resource-and-response-center>

ARTS NC <https://artsnc.org/advocacy/covid-19-resources/artist-relief-funds/?fbclid=IwAR0z9pz6GfNenbl6Zz4Lgrk-xvkkqYEYfrNhIMMjpXcuObMcoF-JmOWhJk>

Creative Capital <https://creative-capital.org/2020/03/13/list-of-arts-resources-during-the-covid-19-outbreak/>

## **Jazz Road Quick Assist Fund**

**\$1,000 grants to jazz artists who have lost significant income due to COVID-19.**

**Applications are now open, and will close once funds are depleted. Artists are encouraged to apply as soon as possible.**

As the world responds to the COVID-19 pandemic, performing artists were among some of the first and hardest hit. In response, [Jazz Road Quick Assist Fund](https://jazzroad.southarts.org/quick-assist-fund/) (<https://jazzroad.southarts.org/quick-assist-fund/>) grants are available to freelance jazz musicians who have lost work throughout March, April, and May 2020. A limited number of \$1,000 grants will be distributed to jazz musicians across the country to offset significant lost gig revenue.

Applications will be reviewed in the order in which they are received. Highest priority will go to the artists who have faced the most significant, damaging losses due to COVID-19 pandemic response cancellations.

The final grant pool, however, will reflect Jazz Road goals such as diversity and intersectionality in multiple areas including geographic, gender, race/ethnicity, age, disability, etc., as well as reach artists located in more rural, isolated areas. There will also be a priority to support artists who represent the African-American community as well as those who identify as women.

Note: Even if you do not find yourself in one or more of these priorities — or perhaps especially if you do not find yourself in these priorities — please consider either sharing this opportunity with your colleagues who might be a priority or assisting them with an application. The Jazz Road team views this pandemic as an opportunity to offer the most assistance to those who are the most impacted, and we thank you for any help you can offer your colleagues.

Jazz Road, administered by Atlanta-based South Arts, is funded by the Doris Duke Charitable Foundation with additional support from The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. The initiative is conducted in partnership with the five other Regional Arts Organizations (Arts Midwest, Mid-America Arts Alliance, Mid Atlantic Arts Foundation, New England Foundation for the Arts, and Western Arts Alliance/WESTAF).

The Jazz Road Quick Assist fund launches with generous gifts totaling \$300,000 in funding from the Doris Duke Charitable Foundation and The Andrew. W. Mellon Foundation.

In addition, sign up for emails from the Asheville Area Arts Council ([info@ashevillearts.com](mailto:info@ashevillearts.com)) – they have upcoming webinars and additional information for artists that I couldn't cut and paste here.

