

# Let Creativity Happen: Express Grant Application

Express grants are designed to encourage artists and creative individuals to take creative risks that may not qualify for more traditional funding opportunities. Awards will support innovative ideas that redefine artistic boundaries, reshape the conversation about art and art experiences, and/or establish unique opportunities to experience art. Funding for this program is provided from the City of Houston Hotel Occupancy Tax.

Click here to download a pdf of the entire application.

\* Required

## 1. Email address \*

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## 2. Are you a current HAA grantee? \*

Current grantees have a shorter application  
Mark only one oval.

- Yes    Skip to question 3.
- No    Skip to question 9.

## Current HAA Grantees

### 3. Please select your current grant category: \*

Check all that apply.

- General Operating Support/Expansion
- Arts Project Grant/Outreach
- City's Initiative
- Individual Artist Grant
- Support for Artists and Creative Individuals
- Festivals
- Support for Organizations #1
- Support for Organizations #2
- Visit My Neighborhood
- Pre-Incubator
- Resident Incubator
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Skip to question 4.

## Contact Information for Current Grantees

Please provide up-to-date contact information. This information will be used for promotional purposes.

4. **Please provide your public name or name of your organization or group: \***

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5. **Authorizing Official (Executive Director or lead individual who will sign the contract): \***

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6. **Grant Manager (if different from above)**

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7. **Please provide the website for yourself or your organization: \***

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8. **Are you applying as a Fiscally Sponsored Project/Organization? \***

*Mark only one oval.*

Yes     *Skip to question 15.*

No     *Skip to question 16.*

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12. **Physical Address (must be within the City of Houston to be eligible) \***

Check your address here:

<http://www.houstontx.gov/council/whoismycom.html>

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**13. Best Contact Number \***

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**14. Are you applying as a Fiscally Sponsored Project/Organization? \****Mark only one oval.* Yes     *Skip to question 15.* No     *Skip to question 16.***Fiscally Sponsored Groups/Organizations****15. Do you have an agreement with Fresh Arts? \****Mark only one oval.* Yes No**Proposal Overview****16. Proposal Title: \***

For promotional purposes

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**17. Start date: \***

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*Example: December 15, 2012***18. End date: \***

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*Example: December 15, 2012***19. Grant Amount Request (up to \$2,500) \***

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**Proposal****20. Please describe your proposed work. Who are the individuals involved? What are the creative risks you are taking? (250 words max) \***

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21. **Please provide a timeline of implementation of your proposed work. How will you define success for your proposed work? (250 words max) \***

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22. **How do you define your community? How will your proposed work shine a light on that community? (Community could be defined by discipline, geography, culture, or who you expect to interact with your proposed work) (250 words max) \***

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23. **FOR PROMOTIONAL PURPOSES: In 2 to 3 sentences, describe how your work contributes to Houston's creative identity as a unique arts and culture destination that would appeal to residents and entice tourists to come experience Houston's arts landscape. \***

This could include: Innovative approaches to delivering artistic expression that could be highlighted for their inventiveness. Unique partnerships that could be promoted as filling a multi-day arts experience. Work that highlights the cultural authenticity of an overlooked community that would be intriguing to both residents and tourists alike. Arts experiences that have proven to be attractive to tourists in other cities/communities.

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## **BUDGET**

Please upload your project budget: Template at [http://houstonartsalliance.com/images/uploads/audio/HAA\\_Budget\\_Template.xlsx](http://houstonartsalliance.com/images/uploads/audio/HAA_Budget_Template.xlsx)

24. **Please upload your project budget: \***  
Files submitted:

25. **Budget Narrative (Please provide any details and specifics around the expenses and any additional income outside of HAA funding) (max 100 words) \***

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## Support Materials

26. **501(c)(3) letter (required for organizations only)**

Files submitted:

27. **Artist bios (required)**

See support materials guide for more information artist bios <http://houstonartsalliance.com/grants/resources/>

Files submitted:

28. **Proof of City of Houston residence (copy of a current utility bill or ID (required for individuals only)**

Files submitted:

29. **Other documents to support your application**

See support materials guide for more information on what other documents you can upload

<http://houstonartsalliance.com/grants/resources/>

Files submitted:

30. **Work samples (photos, videos, publications, reviews)**

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