HOW THE PROGRAM WORKS
Fiscal Year 2021 (FY21) Professional Development Grants (PDG) from the Nevada Arts Council (NAC) assist Nevada artists, arts administrators, art education professionals, and general education teachers attending arts conferences with funding support for participation in skill-building activities that contribute to significant professional growth in the arts.

Eligible opportunities include conferences, workshops, artist residencies, and seminars. PDG funds cover only the following costs related to the proposed activity: registration fees, travel, lodging, and meals (reimbursement for lodging and meals cannot exceed the current Government Services Administration rates).

FY21 PDG funds are divided into two six-month grant cycles:
CYCLE A: Activities July 1–December 31, 2020 (applications open 5/1/20)
CYCLE B: Activities January 1–June 30, 2021 (applications open 1/1/20)

Applicants must apply for a PDG at least 30 days before the event. PDG recipients will receive the grant funds as a reimbursement after the professional development activity. In order to receive PDG reimbursement funds, applicants must complete a Final Report online and submit all required receipts within 45 days of event completion or by June 30, 2021, whichever is first.

ELIGIBILITY
Individuals may receive only one PDG award per year. Applicant requirements:

- Must be a current Nevada resident and have been in residence for at least one year prior to the date of the grant application
- Must be a U.S. citizen or have legal resident status
- Must be at least 21 years old
- Must not be enrolled as degree-seeking student
- Must not have received a NAC Artist Fellowship or Folk Arts Fellowship Grant in the same fiscal year

PDG FUNDING RESTRICTIONS
In addition to the General Funding Restrictions on page 4 of the FY21 GRANT POLICIES, PDG funds may not be used for:

- Costs for travel that is less than 100 miles round trip from home or workplace (for opportunities within 100 miles round trip of home or workplace, individuals may request funds to cover registration fees only)

APPLICATION DEADLINE
At least 30 days before the proposed activity (while funds remain available)

GRANT AMOUNT
Up to $500 reimbursement (no match required)

ELIGIBILITY SNAPSHOT
Individual, NV Resident, 21 years or older, non-student

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PDG FUNDING RESTRICTIONS (continued)
  • Travel outside of the U.S., Canada, or Mexico
  • Registration fees for NAC sponsored events: only travel/lodging/per diem can be funded for NAC sponsored events

REVIEW PROCESS
This is a noncompetitive grant category. Full funding is awarded to eligible applicants throughout the year while funds remain available. For more information, please see the Grant Review Process on page 5 of the FY21 GRANT POLICIES.

APPLICATION SUPPORT MATERIALS
All required materials must be submitted online with your completed application.
  1. A copy of your valid Nevada Driver’s License or ID (for proof of eligibility)
     If you do not have a Driver’s License/ID or if your NV Driver’s License was renewed in the past 12 months, contact NAC staff to discuss other residency verification material
  2. Artist Résumé or Biography demonstrating involvement in the arts (click HERE for details and samples of Artist Résumés and Biographies)
  3. Invitation or link to website, brochure, or agenda for conference/workshop/event
  4. Registration form or confirmation (if applicable)
  5. Air travel estimate/confirmation, proposed mileage, or confirmation of other travel arrangements (if applicable)

HOW TO APPLY
Please review the FY21 GRANT POLICIES before applying. Then complete application questions and submit all required support material online at: https://nevadaartscouncil.submittable.com/submit

Click HERE to access additional resources for NAC grant applicants including a guide to submitting applications online.