FY22 FOLKLIFE ARTIST GRANT
Supporting the Work of Folk Artists and Culture Bearers

HOW THE PROGRAM WORKS
The Fiscal Year 2022 (FY22) Folklife Artist Grant (FLA) supports traditional arts projects by folk artists and culture bearers. Eligible projects focus on the transmission of folk arts or traditions that are practiced, valued, and shared within culturally specific communities in Nevada. Eligible projects include, but are not limited to:

• Apprenticeships, mentorships, or small group learning activities focused on folk and traditional arts practices

Projects must be complete by June 30, 2022. Grantees must submit the Final Report online within 45 days of project completion or by June 30, 2022, whichever is first.

ELIGIBILITY
Applicants must talk with Folklife Program staff before applying and must meet the following requirements:

• Must be at least 21 years old
• Must be a U.S. citizen or have legal permanent resident status
• 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 an intermediate or advanced-level folk/traditional artist or cultural practitioner

Applicants may receive funding for one FLA per fiscal year and are limited to two consecutive years of funding in this category.

FY22 Folklife Artist grantees may also apply for the Arts Learning Express Grant and the American Rescue Plan Grant, if eligible.

GRANT AMOUNT: $1,500 artist fee/stipend (no match required)
Workplan must include at least 15 hours of the master artist’s time for project activities.

REVIEW PROCESS
Nevada Arts Council staff will review applications for eligibility, completeness, and adherence to the program requirements. Applicants must meet all eligibility requirements, demonstrate the artistic excellence of participating folk arts practitioners, and establish the artistic merit of the project as it relates to the cultural community represented. Applications that meet all requirements will be awarded in the order in which they are received while funds remain available. A record of the review process is maintained for all applications. Grants are contingent on available funding as approved by the Nevada Arts Council Board.
APPLICATION SUPPORT MATERIAL
All materials must be submitted online with the application and required narrative questions.

1. Proof of age (copy of driver’s license, state ID, or other official document such as passport or birth certificate)
2. Proof of residency (Nevada driver’s license or ID renewed at least one year prior to application date or other official document such as utility bill, paystub, or lease dated at least one year prior with applicant’s name and address listed)
3. Résumés or Biographies for all participating artists (click HERE for guidelines and samples)
4. Artistic Quality Work Samples
   - Material Culture: Up to 10 photos and/or up to 2 videos (not to exceed 10 minutes total) showing artistic processes and finished objects
   - Oral Traditions/Performing Arts: Up to 4 audio or video files (not to exceed 10 minutes total)
5. Two Letters of Community Support
   - Written by (non-family) members of your community, master artists, or by representatives of cultural organizations with whom you have worked in the past
   - Each letter must clearly identify the writer and provide their contact information and their relationship to the artist(s), the project, and the community
   - Support letters should describe:
     a. Why the project is significant in the cultural community that is represented
     b. The participating artists’ level of artistic excellence and experience with the art form (ALL participating artists, including apprentices, if applicable)
     c. How the artists and the cultural community will benefit from the project
6. Confirmation Letter/Email (if applicable)
   - An email or letter from the master artist or apprentice confirming their participation in the project
7. Additional Support Material (optional)
   - Up to 5 additional items of your choice that strengthen your application such as marketing samples, news articles, event programs, link to website, etc.

HOW TO APPLY
Applicants must contact Folklife Program staff before applying (Rebecca Snetselaar, Folklife Specialist, rsnetselaar@nevadaculture.org, 702-486-3739). Applicants must review the FY22 GRANT POLICIES 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.