HOW THE PROGRAM WORKS
The Arts Learning Express Grant (ALX) from the Nevada Arts Council (NAC) is designed to support a short-term teaching artist residency (20 hours maximum). This grant is open to hosting organizations/public institutions and Nevada resident teaching artists/groups on the Nevada Arts Council Teaching Artist Roster. To offer flexibility and expedite funding, ALX grants will be awarded on a first come, first-served basis for each cycle. Grant funds are limited, so early submission is encouraged.

ALX funds are divided into two six-month grant cycles:
CYCLE A: Activities July 1–December 31, 2022
CYCLE B: Activities January 1–June 30, 2023

Eligible applicants can receive up to two ALX grants per fiscal year. The Final Report for the first grant must be submitted prior to receiving funds for the second grant. To stay in compliance and remain eligible for future Nevada Arts Council grants, grantees must submit the Final Report online within 45 days of project completion or by June 30, 2023, whichever is first.

RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS
- The residency must be an active hands-on educational experience in the arts or traditional cultural practices
- The shape and schedule of the activity is up to the sponsor/host and the artist. A residency may occur over one to three days; or be of longer duration, such as two hours a week for six weeks, etc.
- This grant does not support private lessons, concerts, assembly programs, or lectures. Supplementary activities such as readings, lecture-demonstrations and performances may accompany the educational activities but cannot be more than 20% of the residency
- The residency must be planned collaboratively between the artist(s) and appropriate teacher(s) and/or community representative(s)
- A teacher or adult representative of the sponsoring organization must be present at all times during the program and if the artist is working with a large group of Pre-K through 12th grade students, the adult-student ratio must be appropriate to the activity

GRANT AMOUNT: Up to $1,500 to support artist fees (no match required)
In some cases, an artist may charge more than the grant will support. It is the sponsor’s responsibility to ensure that the artist receives full payment. Grant funds will be disbursed as an advance payment upon receipt of the signed terms and conditions.
APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY

TEACHING ARTISTS

- Must be part of the current Nevada Arts Council Teaching Artist Roster
- Individual applicants must be at least 21 years old, a Nevada resident, a U.S. citizen or legal permanent resident, and must not be enrolled as a degree-seeking student
- Groups on the Teaching Artist Roster may apply as an organization if they meet the requirements below. Otherwise, an individual artist from the group may apply on their behalf.

Non-profit organizations on the Teaching Artist Roster may apply for either the FY23 Arts Learning Express grant OR the FY23 Arts Learning Project Grant, not both.

HOSTING ORGANIZATIONS/PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS

- Must be based in Nevada, have federal tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, and have active incorporation status with the NV Secretary of State
- New for FY23: All applying organizations and public institutions must have a Unique Entity ID (UEI) from SAM.gov in alignment with requirements from the National Endowment for the Arts. This UEI will replace the DUNS number, which will no longer be required. Click HERE for more information.

REVIEW PROCESS/CRITERIA: Nevada Arts Council staff will review applications for eligibility, completeness, and adherence to the criteria below. Applications that meet all requirements will be awarded in the order in which they are received while funds remain available. Grants are contingent on available funding as approved by the Nevada Arts Council Board. Projects must demonstrate artistic excellence and artistic merit which includes the following:

- Project is interactive
- Includes clear objectives and achievable outcomes
- Demonstrates connection to Nevada Academic Content Standards for Fine Arts (PreK-12 only)
- Addresses one of the following: Arts Education, Arts Integration, Arts for Social Development
- Skill level is appropriate for target audience
- Includes a clear plan to evaluate the residency
- Involves qualified teaching artists/groups
- Provides a clear schedule including educational contact hours
- Demonstrates an authentic and collaborative commitment to inclusion, diversity, equity, and accessibility

HOW TO APPLY

1. Review the current GRANT POLICIES for additional information about the requirements associated with Nevada Arts Council Grants
2. Review the APPLICATION QUESTIONS AND SUPPORT MATERIAL
3. Complete the application online at: https://nevadaartscouncil.submittable.com/submit

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