FY23 FOLKLIFE ARTIST GRANT
Supporting the Work of Nevada’s Folk Artists and Culture Bearers

HOW THE PROGRAM WORKS
The Fiscal Year 2023 (FY23) 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 apprenticeships, mentorships, or group learning activities focused on folk and traditional arts practices.

Projects must be complete by June 30, 2023. Grantees must submit the Final Report online within 45 days of project completion or by June 30, 2023, whichever is first.

APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY
The teaching (“master”) artist must demonstrate mastery of the artistic processes and associated cultural traditions that will be taught. Applicants must talk with Folklife Program staff before applying to ensure that their project is eligible in the category (folk and traditional arts) 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

GRANT AMOUNT: $3,000 (no match required)
Grant funds may be used for artist fees, materials, supplies, and/or transportation. Workplan must include at least 20 hours of work by participating artists.

Grant funds will be disbursed as an advance payment upon receipt of the signed terms and conditions. Documentation of the use of grant funds must be provided in the Final Report and must match the proposed expenses.
REVIEW PROCESS/Criteria
A review panel will adjudicate eligible applications using the criteria below and make funding recommendations to the Nevada Arts Council Board. Grant awards may vary from requested amounts based on panel scores and available funding. For more information, please see the Grant Review Process in the current GRANT POLICIES.

A. Shared Culture (25 points): The project must focus on traditional arts that are passed down and shared within the applicant’s own cultural community, which may include a family, ethnic, occupational/work, tribal, religious, or other cultural group.

B. Artistic Excellence (25 points): The master/teaching artist must provide work samples that show the level of excellence or mastery achieved in the traditional art form. The apprentice must have some experience working with the tradition and/or art form, or with a similar form or medium.

C. Focus on the Process of Creating Traditional Arts (25 points): The plan of work and schedule for the proposed project should identify the processes that the teaching artist will share with the member(s) of their cultural community and how they will be taught.

D. Cultural Significance (25 points): Priority is accorded to applicants who are teaching and learning traditions and/or art forms that are highly valued by the community to which they belong. This includes, but is not limited to, endangered cultural traditions.

HOW TO APPLY
1. Contact Folklife Program staff before applying to ensure that the project is eligible: Rebecca Snetselaar, Folklife Specialist, rsnetselaar@nevadaculture.org, 702-486-3739
2. Review the current GRANT POLICIES for additional information about the requirements associated with Nevada Arts Council Grants
3. Review the APPLICATION QUESTIONS AND SUPPORT MATERIAL
4. Complete the application online* at: https://nevadaartscouncil.submittable.com/submit

Click HERE to access additional resources for Nevada Arts Council grant applicants including a guide to submitting applications online. Folklife and Grant Specialists are available to coach applicants through the process and help to identify resources and solutions for challenges encountered in preparing the application.

*Applicants who do not have access to the online application can request a paper application.