

2026 Creative Confluence Fund: Strengthening Arts-Engaged Organizations Application

Contact Information

Name of Organization(required)

Employer Identification Number(required)

Ruling Date(required)

Organization Address(required)

Country(required)

Address(required)

Address Line 2 (optional)

City(required)

State, Province, or Region(required)

Zip or Postal Code(required)

County(required)

Website(required)

Main Contact Name(required)

First Name(required)

Last Name(required)

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Main Contact Email Address(required)

Main Contact Phone Number(required)

Fiscal Sponsorship

Do you have a fiscal sponsor?

Yes

No

If yes, provide Fiscal Sponsor name, EIN, address, and letter of agreement.

Organization Information

Art Type - What genre best describes the focus of your organization and/or programming?(required)

Performing Arts
Visual Arts
Literature or Poetry
Multidisciplinary Combination
Other

In which geographic areas does your organization reside, present programming, or provide services? (Select all that apply.)(required)

Historic Northeast Kansas City
Eastside Kansas City
Wyandotte County

Program Attendance/Participation - In your most recently completed fiscal year, how many people participated in your programs or events in person? (By participants we mean audience, members, performers, exhibitors, and volunteers. This does not include people who are board members or staff.)(required)

Organization Mission and Overview: What is the mission statement of the organization? Provide an overview of the organization, its recent history, and a list of your upcoming programs with dates and locations.
(required)

Limit: 500 words

If you'd prefer to submit a video overview for this question and the next question, you can copy and paste a link or upload it below.

Neighborhood and Community Impact: What neighborhood and/or community needs are served by your organization? How do you help provide access to community-oriented arts experiences? Describe the current or upcoming partnerships/collaborations with other organizations and the role they play within the organization's programming.

Limit: 500 words

If you'd prefer to submit a video overview for this question and the next question, you can upload it below.

Optional video submission

Upload a file.

Acceptable file types: .csv, .doc, .docx, .odt, .pdf, .rtf, .txt, .wpd, .wpf, .gif, .jpg, .jpeg, .png, .svg, .tif, .tiff, .aac, .aiff, .flac, .m4a, .mp3, .ogg, .wav, .wma, .3gp, .avi, .flv, .m4v, .mkv, .mov, .mp4, .mpg, .webm, .wmv

If you'd prefer to submit a video for the previous two questions, you can submit it here. Please limit the length of the video to five minutes or less.

Capacity Building Opportunities - What areas of organizational capacity most need support right now in your organization? Describe the challenges your organization is facing. Some examples might include (but are not limited to) fundraising, marketing, financial management, data management, governance, etc.(required)

Limit: 300 words

Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility

Without accurate demographic data, it's easy to unknowingly perpetuate inequity.

Understanding the diverse identities of the people we work with ensures we are living up to our values and advancing racial and economic justice.

Staff Demographics: Select any of the race or ethnicity categories that, by your best estimate, made up more than 25% of your paid workforce in your most recently completed fiscal year. (Select all that apply.)(required)

American Indian or Alaska Native

Asian or Asian American

Black/African American

Hispanic/Latino

Middle Eastern or North African

Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander

White

No single race/ethnic group listed above made up more than 25% of the population directly served

Audience Demographics: Using your best estimate, is the population that your organization served in your most recently completed fiscal year 50% or more people who are Black, Indigenous, or People of Color (BIPOC)?(required)

Yes

No

Audience Demographics: Select any of the race or ethnicity categories that, by your best estimate, made up 25% or more of the population that your organization served in-person in the last fiscal year. (Select all that apply.)(required)

American Indian or Alaska Native
Asian or Asian American
Black/African American
Hispanic/Latino
Middle Eastern or North African
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
White

No single race/ethnic group listed above made up more than 25% of the population directly served

Audience Demographics: Select any of the additional categories that, by your best estimate, made up 25% or more of the population that your organization served in-person last fiscal year. (Select all that apply.)(required)

Individuals with disabilities
Individuals in institutions (nursing homes, correctional facilities, homeless shelters, etc.)
Individuals below the poverty line
Individuals with limited English proficiency
Individuals under age 18
Individuals age 65 or older
Individuals from the LGBTQ community
Military veterans or active-duty personnel
Transgender or gender-non-conforming individuals
No single distinct group made up more than 25% of the population

Accessibility: Are your programs and services provided in facilities that are accessible to individuals with disabilities (physical and/or mental)? Are further access accommodations or services planned? Answers may include meeting ADA compliance, communicating accessibility details in promotional materials, ramps, elevators, audio description, sign-language interpretation, closed or open captioning, large-print brochures/labeling, specific staff skills, sensory sensitivities etc.(required)

Limit: 200 characters

Financial Information

Previous FY Dates: What were the start and end dates of your most recent fiscal year that ended prior to October 31, 2026? (Examples: 11/1/25 - 10/31/26, or 1/1/24 - 12/31/25, etc.)(required)

Previous Fiscal Year Operating Revenue: What was the total operating revenue of the organization in that fiscal year? (required)

Previous Fiscal Year Operating Expenses: What was the total amount of operating expenses of the organization in that fiscal year?(required)

Major Budget Changes and Concerns: Please use this space to explain where the organization's major income and expenses are coming from. Please address main income streams and any anticipated budget changes. Please expand on any major budget concerns, needs, or circumstances you would like the committee to know. (required)

Limit: 200 words

Previous FY Financial Statement: Submit a PDF file of the financial statement for the most recently completed fiscal year. Include Revenue and Expenses.(required)

Upload a file.

Acceptable file types: .csv, .doc, .docx, .odt, .pdf, .rtf, .txt, .wpd, .wpf

Current Year Budget with YTD Actuals: Submit a PDF file of your current budget with year-to-date actuals.(required)

Upload a file.

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Support Materials and Documentation

Please submit recent work samples, photographs, links, or other support materials that document the artistic quality of your programs or services. If possible, include recent images that show your programs and services in action, your constituents, and your organization's activities. Include samples that are closely related to your proposal.

Please use images that are at least 300 dpi in print quality and are not blurry or pixelated.

For the performing arts, especially, add web links to music, video, YouTube, Vimeo, etc. Do not upload media files, because they do not work with our grants system. Type links in full "http" format in the boxes, and include passwords if needed. The committee has a limited

amount of time to review applications, so links to short excerpts are best. Guide them to the most important part.

Work Sample 1(required)

Limit: 150 words

Feel free to use this box to give context to the sample and include any links. If you'd prefer to upload a file, use the upload option below.

Work Sample 1 - File Upload

Upload a file.

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Work Sample 2(required)

Limit: 150 words

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Work Sample 3 (optional)

Limit: 150 words

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Work Sample 3 - File Upload

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Promotional Material: press article, program, brochure, etc. (required)

Upload a file.

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Promotional Material: use this box to provide context for uploaded file if needed.

Summary for Representation of your Organization: Please provide a short statement about your organization for The Creative Confluence Fund to use in potential announcements, promotions, and fundraising. This summary may be changed or shortened by staff as needed for social media or other purposes. Using information from this application, and without adding any new details, please write a summary with this outline: Your organization's mission, type of art, what you plan to do, why, with whom, where, and how. (required)

Limit: 150 words

Image for Representation of your Organization: All applicants must include at least one image for The Creative Confluence Fund to use in public representation of your grant. Images that show your programs and services in action, your constituents, and the unique activities of your organization are best. You can choose an image that is already included in this application. In this case, please upload it again. By uploading materials below, you indicate that they are pre-approved for promotional use by The Creative Confluence Fund.(required)

Upload a file.

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Thank you!

Thank you for submitting an application for the Creative Confluence Fund. Please fill out our [3-minute Post Applicant survey](#); we value your feedback. If you prefer email feedback or have further questions, reach out to grantmaking@artskc.org.