Utah Division of Arts & Museums

Teacher-Initiated Project (TIP) Scholarship Guidelines

DESCRIPTION

Arts Education Teacher-Initiated Project scholarships provide opportunities for teachers or administrators to gain knowledge and skills in an artistic discipline of their choice. The applicant selects an artist who provides one-on-one instruction in visual art, music, theatre, dance, storytelling, media arts, folk arts or creative writing.

TIP applications should be about what the educator wants to learn for their own personal growth, not how or what to teach their students. This is your opportunity to learn about the art form of your choice, whether you already know anything about it or not. **Whether or how this learning will be used in the classroom is not relevant to your TIP application.**

FUNDING ELIGIBILITY

Who Can Apply?

Individual K-12 Educators Employed in Utah Schools

Limitations/Restrictions

- All funds go directly to the artist's salary ($500) for working one-on-one with an educator.
- Priority is given to those with no or limited training in an artistic discipline. This is designed to allow teachers to explore the artist within.
- Requested artists MUST be approved for artistic and educational merit and listed on the Utah Division of Arts & Museums Teaching Artist Roster. Artists of artistic and educational acclaim currently not posted on the Roster may be approved for artistic and educational excellence before submitting the application or you must submit evidence of their artistic and teaching excellence with your application. For more information about the Teaching Artist Roster, visit: https://artsandmuseums.utah.gov/teaching-artist-roster/
- Please Note! The artist selected will need to establish a Utah state vendor account to receive any payment from the state of Utah. We will provide the necessary information and paperwork for this process

This does NOT fund:

- Artist(s) in classrooms
- Tuition for workshops, classes, webinars, conferences, etc.
- Art supplies and materials
- Travel or lodging expenses

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- Incomplete applications will not be considered for review.
- TIPs are contingent upon availability of funds.
- An educator may only be awarded one TIP per fiscal year (July 1– June 30).

REVIEW CRITERIA

Applications will be reviewed by the Arts Education Program Manager and approved by the Division Director. Each application will be evaluated on the following criteria:

- Support of school principal demonstrated by a letter of support
- Qualifications of professional artist
- Individual's rationale for pursuing the artistic discipline
- Individual's personal commitment to the artistic discipline
- Quality of the artist/teacher instructional plan
- NOTE that contributing to a teacher's classroom skills is NOT a criterion for review. TIPs are intended to foster personal growth and artistic exploration without regard to whether the learning is directly applicable in the classroom.

APPLICATION PROCESS

NEW applicants are highly encouraged to contact Reilly Jensen, Arts Education Manager at reillyjensen@utah.gov to discuss proposal and to ensure project qualifies for funding under this category.

Deadline

Applications are considered on an ongoing basis. **However, please note** that a course of instruction funded by a successful TIP application must take place within a single fiscal year (July 1 - June 30). **Final reports for all TIPs in a fiscal year will be due by mid-June** to ensure that payment processing can take place before June 30. **If your proposed course of study cannot be completed by mid-June, you should plan to wait until July 1 or later to begin.**

Request Amount

$500. This pays for the teaching artist's time. A TIP is anticipated to consist of approximately 16 hours of instruction time. Again, this is an opportunity for an educator to work one-on-one with an artist of their choice.

Online Submission Process

Fill out application at:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeYH3eLBUCmv_JFYclmoLeaC1BVRCbbE1nt6ERY1uOFMN5D3g/viewform?usp=sharing&ouid=102524511107000019522