

SOUTHEASTERN CONNECTICUT  
**CULTURAL COALITION**

CultureSECT Economic Recovery Fund - Grant Application

Welcome

**About this Survey Monkey application:**

Applicant must be prepared to complete the online application in its entirety and on the same device. **Users are unable to save and return at a later time.**

Applicants are encouraged to review their eligibility and application questions and prepare their responses in a WORD document. When ready to apply online, copy and paste the prepared responses into the appropriate sections.

**Overview:** Southeastern CT's arts and cultural organizations, entities and artists, like so many others, are deeply impacted by COVID-19. From sole proprietors, artists and small volunteer-run organizations, to professionally staffed museums, tourist attractions and arts centers, the Coalition includes a diverse cross section of 500+ nonprofit and for-profit individuals, businesses, groups and organizations.

The Cultural Coalition established an economic recovery fund at the Community Foundation of Eastern CT in response to the COVID-19 crisis. The initiative supports the sustainability and recovery of arts & cultural institutions, including individual artists, and partners with the Community Foundation, a long-time trusted funder in our region. Through an open application process with review and recommendations made by a grant panel and decision-making by the Cultural Coalition, the economic recovery fund will support Southeastern CT's arts & culture sector.

Generous support to the Fund has been provided by Chelsea Groton Bank, Chelsea Groton Bank Foundation, Community Foundation of Eastern CT, individual donors and Recovery Fund t-shirt buyers.

**Timeline of Fund:**

Grant Applications Open: October 15, 2020 ( for 3 weeks)

Grant Applications Deadline: November 5, 2020

Grant Decisions Announced: End of November

**(4) Grants Available/Open To:**

- **Arts on Demand** is open to: Artists and all arts & cultural businesses (501c3 nonprofits & for profits)
- **Covid-19 Facilities Needs** is open to: 501c3 Nonprofit arts & cultural organizations
- **Virtual Arts & Culture Experience** is open to: Artists and all arts & cultural businesses (501c3 nonprofits & for profits)
- **BIPOC Artist & Small Business Relief** is open to: BIPOC artists and BIPOC-owned/led arts & cultural businesses (501c3 nonprofits & for profits)

*Note: Artists include individual artists and teaching artists*

**Please review the details of each of the available grants prior to applying.**

**Applicants must choose and only apply to one (1) grant opportunity.**

**Eligibility**

Applicant must be:

- **located in New London County** - live or based in one of the following towns - Bozrah | Colchester | East Lyme | Franklin | Griswold | Groton | Lebanon | Ledyard | Lisbon | Lyme | Montville | New London | North Stonington | Norwich | Old Lyme | Preston | Salem | Sprague | Stonington | Voluntown | Waterford
- **an arts or cultural business**, includes nonprofit organizations (501c3 only) and individual artists
- **18 years of age or older**

**Priority will be given to:**

- registered Partners of the Cultural Coalition (as of October 1, 2020)
- BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, People of Color) artists and BIPOC led organizations and businesses
- Artists (for relevant grants available) – individual artists or teaching artists that have been or are being adversely impacted by COVID-19

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\* 1. Applicant Name

*(If you are an individual/teaching artist-enter Your First/Last Name  
OR if you are a business-enter Name of Business-nonprofit or for profit)*

\* 2. Contact First/Last Name

\* 3. Contact Email

\* 4. Eligibility Requirement: Is the applicant 18 years of age or older?

- Yes
- No - You are not eligible for this program. Please exit application.

\* 5. Eligibility Requirement: Is the applicant located in New London county?

*(a resident of OR own/operate a business-nonprofit or for profit, in a New London county municipality)*

- Yes
- No - You are not eligible for this program. Please exit application.

\* 6. Municipality where business is registered OR if you are an individual or teaching artist, the municipality of your residence or studio?

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|----------------------------------|--|
| <input type="radio"/> Bozrah     | <input type="radio"/> Montville        |
| <input type="radio"/> Colchester | <input type="radio"/> New London       |
| <input type="radio"/> East Lyme  | <input type="radio"/> North Stonington |
| <input type="radio"/> Franklin   | <input type="radio"/> Norwich          |
| <input type="radio"/> Griswold   | <input type="radio"/> Old Lyme         |
| <input type="radio"/> Groton     | <input type="radio"/> Preston          |
| <input type="radio"/> Lebanon    | <input type="radio"/> Salem            |
| <input type="radio"/> Lebanon    | <input type="radio"/> Sprague          |
| <input type="radio"/> Ledyard    | <input type="radio"/> Stonington       |
| <input type="radio"/> Lisbon     | <input type="radio"/> Voluntown        |
| <input type="radio"/> Lyme       | <input type="radio"/> Waterford        |

\* 7. Eligibility Requirement: Is the applicant an arts or cultural business (nonprofit or for profit), or an individual or teaching artist?

- Yes
- No - You are not eligible for this program. Please exit application.

\* 8. Where can we learn more about you or your business/organization?

*Please provide website and/or social media-Facebook, Instagram, YouTube links.*

\* 9. How has COVID-19 impacted you or your business/organization?

Tell us about the impact of the pandemic on your work and ability to generate revenue. (MAXIMUM 2000 characters /approx. 300 words)

\* 10. You will be asked a series of questions based on whether you are an individual OR business (nonprofit or for profit). Which type of applicant are you?

- Individual
- Business (nonprofit or for profit)

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Individual Applicants

\* 11. Did you report taxable earned income related to your earnings from your work as an individual artist and/or teaching artist in your most recently filed tax return?

Yes

No

\* 12. In your most recently filed tax return, what percentage of your total income was earned as an individual/teaching artist? (*% calculated as your individual gross earnings before expenses as an individual/teaching artist as a percentage of your total income from all sources. Use your individual income only, not total household income.*)

did not report taxable earned income as an individual/teaching artist in most recent filed tax return

41% to 60%

1% to 20%

61% to 80%

21% to 40%

81% to 100%

\* 13. Are you Black, Indigenous, or a Person of Color (BIPOC)?

Yes

No

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Business Applicants (nonprofit or for profit)

- \* 14. How many full-time staff, including yourself if applicable, are employed at your business?  
(use a whole number, explain any COVID related variations in optional question below)

- \* 15. How many part-time staff, including yourself if applicable, are employed at your business?  
(use a whole number, explain any COVID related variations in optional question below)

16. Optional: Explain how COVID-19 has changed your full-time or part-time staffing levels during the past 7 months. (MAXIMUM 1000 characters/ approx. 150 words)

- \* 17. What type of arts and culture business are you?

- for profit  
 non profit - must be a 501(c)3

- \* 18. Is there majority (51%+) representation of Black, Indigenous, or Persons of Color (BIPOC) in the ownership or management (paid staff or the board of directors) of your business?

- Yes  
 No

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Grant Opportunity Choice

\* 19. Which ONE of the Economic Recovery Grants are you applying?

*(Please read program descriptions and see information below to make sure that the Grant is open to you.)*

- Arts on Demand Grant - *open to artists and businesses (nonprofit & for profit)*
- Covid-19 Facilities Needs Grant - *open to nonprofit arts & cultural organizations*
- Virtual Arts & Culture Experience Grant - *open to artists and businesses (nonprofit & for profit)*
- BIPOC Artist & Small Business Relief Grant - *open to BIPOC artists and BIPOC owned/led businesses (nonprofit & for profit)*

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Application-Arts on Demand

\* 20. How will you or your business/organization use this funding?

Provide the performance details including: artist/group/organization name, description of the performance and type of performance, number of artists performing, total performance fee, date/time/length of performance.

The next question will ask about the performance location details.

*(MAXIMUM 2000 characters/approx. 300 words)*

\* 21. Please provide the Venue/Host information for the confirmed/planned performance.

Include: name of the venue/location/town, name & contact information for the venue/host to verify the event.

*(MAXIMUM 1000 characters/approx. 150 words)*

\* 22. What dollar amount are you requesting based on the number of performers?

- \$300 - 1 artist such as solo
- \$500 - 2-3 artists such as duo or trio
- \$1,000 - 4 or more artists such as group, band or troupe

\* 23. Will the amount you are requesting pay the total costs of the performance OR would this amount be partial funding?

- Award amount is total cost
- Award amount is partial funding
- Don't Know/Unsure

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Application - Facilities Needs, Virtual Experience, BIPOC Relief

\* 24. What dollar amount are you requesting?

*Note the Award Amounts specific to each grant program:*

*Facilities Needs (max. \$1000)*

*Virtual Experience (max. \$1000)*

*BIPOC Relief (enter the set amount: \$500)*

\* 25. How will you or your business/organization use this funding?

Address the goals and allowable use of funds specific to each grant program. *(MAXIMUM 2000 characters/approx. 300 words)*

\* 26. Will the amount you are requesting pay the total costs of the whole project OR would this amount be partial funding/part of a larger budget for the whole project?

*(BIPOC Relief select N/A Not applicable below)*

- Award amount is total cost
- Award amount is partial funding/part of a larger budget
- Don't Know/Unsure
- N/A not applicable to BIPOC Artist & Small Business Relief Grant applicants

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### Terms & Acceptance

#### TERMS

The CultureSECT Economic Recovery Fund is managed by the Southeastern CT Cultural Coalition in partnership with the Community Foundation of Eastern CT. Funding for grants has been generously provided by Chelsea Groton Bank, Chelsea Groton Foundation, Community Foundation of Eastern CT, and individual donors.

#### If you or your business is awarded a grant:

1. Funds may only be used for the requested need specified in the application; the recipient will report in writing to info@CultureSECT.org any changes in intentions for use of the funds.
2. Once funds are received, the recipient will utilize the entirety of the funds.
3. The recipient will acknowledge where possible the "CultureSECT Economic Recovery Fund of the Southeastern CT Cultural Coalition and Community Foundation of Eastern CT" in their promotional materials.
4. Completion of all necessary documents will be required.

\* 27. I agree to the terms of the CultureSECT Economic Recovery Fund as listed above.

*(Please check box below to indicate your review and approval.)*

Yes

#### STATEMENT OF ACCEPTANCE

I declare that I have examined all information contained in this application and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information is true, correct and complete, and I am in fact eligible for funding under this program.

I am aware that false statements or omission of any pertinent information resulting in the false representation of a material fact in this application and related materials are punishable as a Class A Misdemeanor under Connecticut General Statutes 53a-157b.

\* 28. I understand the Statement of Acceptance as listed above and will type my full name and today's date in the box below as confirmation.

*(Please check box below to indicate your review and approval, then type name/date to complete the application.)*

Yes

Type Full Name and Date

#### Final Step: Submit Application

Please note that by clicking the "DONE" button below, you will submit your application.