



## 2021 FISHERS ARTS + CULTURE COMMISSION GRANT PROGRAM

The Fishers Arts & Culture Commission (Commission) desires to invest in artists, art organizations, and cultural events that foster a city where arts and culture activities are a vital component of community life. Fishers is a community where arts and culture are valued, promoted for their economic benefit, and are an integral facet in our vibrant community while encouraging lifelong learning. The Commission is the nexus of local government and Fishers' residents which seeks to unite public and private partnerships. The result is fostering a thriving arts scene that continues to help build Fishers as a smart, vibrant, and entrepreneurial city.

The Commission announces its first grant program aimed at fostering creative partnerships within the Fishers arts community.

### **Eligibility**

- Projects can be exhibits, events, programs, displays, or other artistic or cultural expressions.
- Projects must be accomplished by December 31, 2021.
- Projects must take place within the [city boundaries of Fishers](#) and are encouraged to take place within the [Nickel Plate District](#), a statewide designated cultural district.
- Projects should relate to two or more of the Commission's Core Values: Inclusive, Authentic, Engaging, Collaborative, Innovative, and Educational.



- Applications should include an overall budget for a proposed project with a description of how a grant would bolster your creative project.
- Applicants can be Artists, Creative Companies, Non-Profits, and For-Profit Business.

The Commission is seeking a diverse grant application group that will highlight the contributions to our innovative and vibrant community. People and organizations are especially encouraged to submit that are from a diverse racial / ethnic background, underserved populations, and/or are persons with disabilities, so that the Commission can fully represent our community's cultural diversity.

### **Grant Overview**

- Grants will range from \$1,000 to \$2,500.
- No monetary or in-kind match is required.
- At this time, the 2021 FACC Grant Program is a one-time only grant; there is no guarantee that

this program will be offered in 2022.

- Grant funds will be issued in full upon execution of a Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Fishers on behalf of the Commission.
- If awarded, applicants will submit a **Final Report** to the Commission in January 2022.

### **Application and Awarding Process**

- Grant Applications Open: June 1, 2021 at 8:30 AM EST
- Grant Applications Close: July 5, 2021 at 11:59 PM EST
- Grants Awarded: July 14, 2021 via email followed by a press release

### **How to Apply**

Applications will be available online starting June 1, 2021 at 8:30 AM at [www.fishers.in.us/FACC](http://www.fishers.in.us/FACC) and at [www.fishersin.viewpointcloud.com/link](http://www.fishersin.viewpointcloud.com/link).

The submitted information will inform and provide insight for the review committee on how the applications will be evaluated and selected.

### **Final Report**

Awarded projects will submit a report of its completed project to the Commission in January 2022. A report of the project will include:

1. Completed project overview:
  - a. Brief description of the project.
  - b. Where the project occurred.
  - c. The number of participants or those in attendance (in-person or virtual).
  - d. The number of artists and creatives impacted.
  - e. A statement about the overall impact of how your project relates back to the Commission's Core Values.
2. Final project budget
3. Provide one (1) piece of marketing material including funding acknowledgment (Commission digital toolkit will be provided upon grant award).
4. Up to five (5) photos of the project so that the Commission can share its success with the Indiana Arts Commission and the greater community.