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## Miami Beach has \$1 Million in Grants Available for Cultural Arts Programs

— The city will also consider sponsorship requests for qualifying events —

**Miami Beach, FL** – The City of Miami Beach and the Miami Beach Cultural Arts Council is accepting pre-applications for Cultural Arts Council grants this month to be awarded for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. The pre-application phase is mandatory for all organizations seeking city funding.

The city is also accepting sponsorship requests between now and Thursday, Feb. 29 for organizations seeking financial assistance and in-kind support for local festivals, special events, community events or programming that promotes community engagement and enhances Miami Beach's reputation as a world-class tourist destination through the Special Events Sponsorship Program. Proposals will be reviewed for events scheduled between Oct. 1, 2024 and Sept. 30, 2025.

Since the inception of the Cultural Arts Council grants in 1998, Miami Beach has awarded some \$20 million in grant funds to more than 100 nonprofit cultural institutions through the annual, competitive cultural grants program. The Cultural Arts Grant Program within the Department of Tourism and Culture awards nearly \$1 million each year to nonprofit arts organizations that produce and program arts and cultural activities throughout Miami Beach.

Submission of pre-applications for the cultural grants is open from Monday, Jan. 8 through Monday, Jan. 22. The upcoming round of funding is for program dates scheduled between Oct. 1, 2024 and Sept. 30, 2025. No extensions will be granted for the pre-application phase.

Applicants must have at least two distinct events or types of programming in Miami Beach to be eligible for a grant. Multiday programming for the same event is treated as a single event or program. Additional weight will be given to organizations that wish to undertake programming from June through September or for programming that takes advantage of the various geographic regions of Miami Beach.

For more information on the Cultural Arts Council grant program, visit the <u>Grant Application</u> <u>Portal</u>. For information on the dollar-for-dollar matching special event sponsorships, click <u>here</u>.

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