

OAC Grant Writing Agenda

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- How to get ready to apply
- OAC online granting system: Nova
- Assessment Process
- Results & Reporting
- Questions



About the Ontario Arts Council

OAC's mandate is to foster the creation and production of art for the benefit of all Ontarians.

There are four granting streams:

- Creating and Presenting
- Building Audiences and Markets
- Engaging Communities and Schools
- Developing Careers and Arts Services

Available through OAC website: www.arts.on.ca

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EXPLORE GRANTS BY...

Activity	Discipline	Priority Groups
Creating and Presenting	Dance	Artists of Colour
Building Audiences and Markets	Literature	Deaf Artists and Artists with Disabilities
Engaging Communities and Schools	Media Arts	Francophone Artists
Developing Careers and Arts Services	Multi and Inter-Arts	Indigenous Artists
Indigenous Culture Fund	Music	New Generation Artists
Creative Engagement Fund	Theatre	Artists Living in Regions Outside Toronto
	Visual Arts	

General Granting Information

- [FAQ Online Grant Applications and Program Redesign](#)
- [Guide to OAC Operating Programs](#)
- [Guide to OAC Project Programs](#)
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Priority Groups

- Artists of Colour
- Deaf Artists and Artists with Disabilities
- Francophone Artists
- Indigenous Artists
- New Generation artists (18-30 year olds)
- Artists Living in Regions Outside Toronto

Third Party Recommender Programs

- Exhibition Assistance
- Indigenous Visual Artists Materials
- Recommender Grants for Theatre Creators
- Recommender Grants for Writers

Questions?



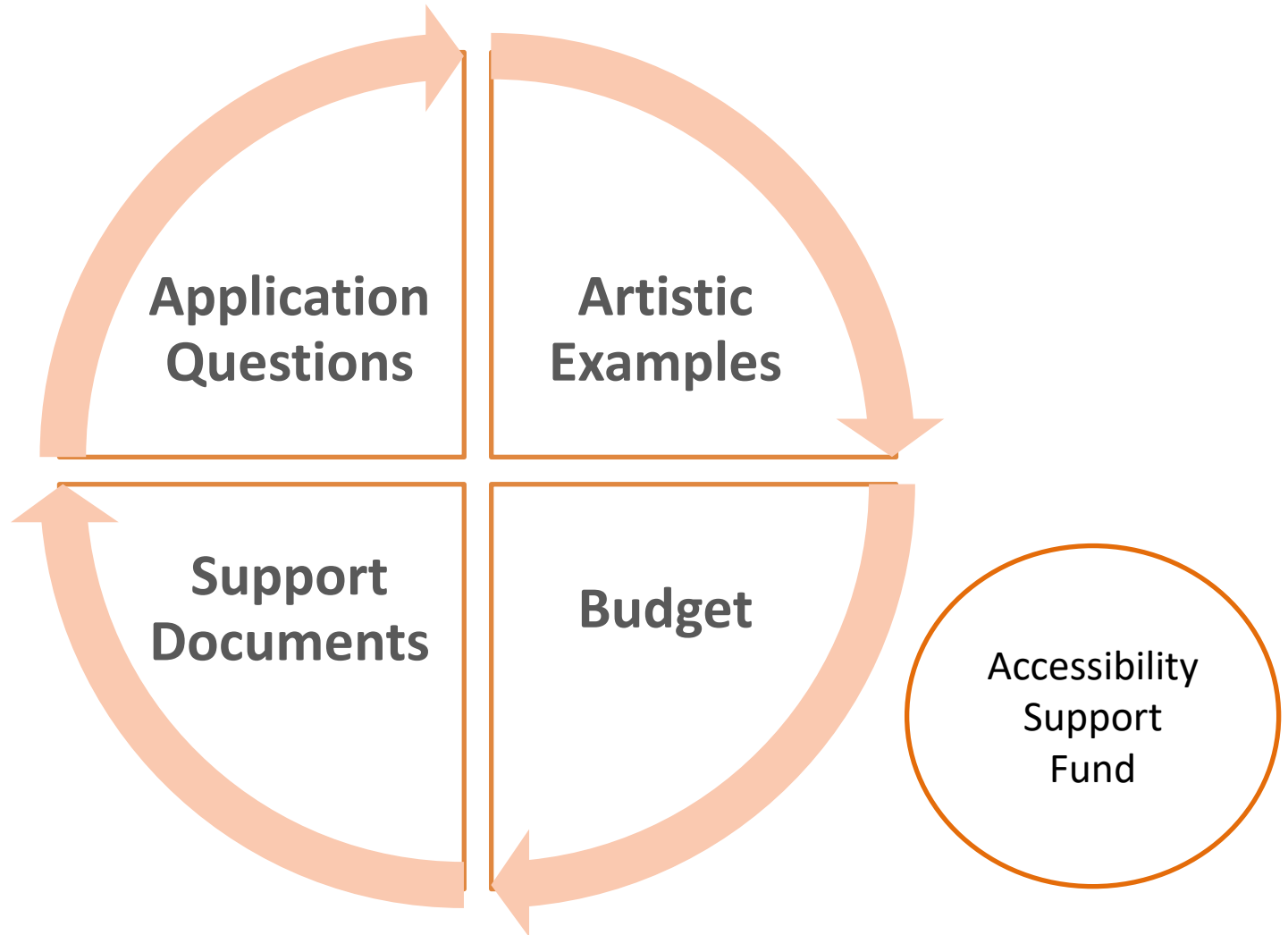
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Preparing an application

- Website www.arts.on.ca
- Program Webpage (includes eligibility requirements, deadlines, etc)
- Nova Application
- Inclusive Application Policy

Making an Application



NOVA – online granting system

- <https://grants.arts.on.ca>
- Create a Profile
- Open deadlines
- Navigating the system

Completing your application online

Tips:

- Follow guides as to what system to use (Chrome, etc)
- Pay attention to what kind of uploads the system can accept
- Be sure to **SAVE** regularly
- Check requirements – read instructions
- Complete **well ahead** of the deadline – 1 pm deadline(!)
- There can be server delays once you press submit (just like email, it's not immediate)

Assessment Process

- Applicant submits application in Nova before **1 p.m. deadline**
- Program Officer Reviews Application
- Officer invites panel of peers to review application
- Assessors review all applications and support material
- Panel is brought together to discuss applications and make final decisions

Assessment Process

Applications are assessed by a panel of your peers.

Assessment Criteria:

- Artistic Merit
- Impact
- Viability

Results

If you get the grant:

- Notified within 4.5 months
- Cheque is mailed
- Final report
- For individuals—grants are taxable.

If you don't get the grant:

- Notified in 4.5 months
- Some programs offer feedback
- Re-apply
- Don't be discouraged

General Grant Writing Tips

- Call the Program Administrator or Officer
- Have peers review your application
- Spell check!
- Don't underestimate support material and documents
- Be detailed but concise. Don't repeat
- Write from the heart
- When working on a budget, start with expenses
- Call for feedback

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