

Glasgow CAN Resilience Grant 2020

Overview and Guidelines

(Part of the North Glasgow Arts Programme, funded through Glasgow City Council's IGF programme)

Overview

Glasgow CAN would like to invite members to submit proposals to be awarded a **grant of up to £500** to support **professional development and/or resilience** within the membership during this very challenging time for artists and the sector as a whole. This pot of funding that Glasgow CAN receives from Glasgow City Council has historically been administered through Glasgow CAN's Commissioned Projects Programme, but due to the current international Covid-19 pandemic, Glasgow CAN has made the decision as an organisation to take the 'commissioned' element out of the process. We want to remove competition from this grant scheme at the moment because we understand the strain and pressure artists are currently under, and we do not want this opportunity to be a labour intensive process.

Members (based or working north-of-the-river-Clyde), will put their proposals in and once the submission window has closed, **awardees will be randomly selected** from those that have submitted proposals until the funds have been spent. We believe this is the fairest way to give out the funds. We have also decided on a maximum grant of £500 per submission so that we can use the funds to reach as many of our members as possible.

Unfortunately, those who are based or primarily work south-of-the-river cannot apply for this grant. This is because the funding that Glasgow CAN currently receives for this strand of our work has historically been for north-of-the-river-Clyde communities only. We are in the process of trying to change this so that all of our programmes can reach all of the city. Please contact us if you are not sure if you are eligible or not via info@glasgowcan.org.

All projects or spending must take place by the **28th August 2020**. If awardees foresee this as not being possible, they must contact Glasgow CAN and if deemed appropriate, return the funds.

The submission window for this grant scheme is **11th – 25th May 2020**. Proposals received after the closing date will not be considered.

Key Priorities

Glasgow CAN is a Community Interest Company which advocates for the promotion and development of the Participatory Arts sector in Glasgow. Glasgow CAN believes that everyone in Glasgow should have access to a rich and varied artistic landscape. The organisation aims to increase **Reach, Connection and Diverse Representation** within communities and the sector, and will work towards achieving this through our new resilience grant scheme. Therefore if a submitted proposal is not in-line with these priorities, an application may not be eligible.

Criteria

Glasgow CAN would like applications to focus on one or both of these two criteria;

- **Professional development** of participatory artists
- **Resilience** support for self-employed participatory artists and/or small organisations during the pandemic

Eligibility

There will not be a selection process as such, but there are some criteria that must be met. A grant will **not** be awarded to;

- Larger organisations who are not being adversely affected financially by the current pandemic
- Those who are not current members of Glasgow CAN
- Members who are based / primarily work in the southside of Glasgow (south of the river Clyde)
- Members who are based / work primarily outside of Glasgow
- Cover costs that are not 'business or trading' related such as someone's personal rent or mortgage

- Cover historical costs, such as an item purchased before 1st June 2020
- Cover costs for activities which took place before 1st June 2020
- Someone other than who the grant was intended for (it cannot be passed to someone else or another organisation in need)
- Pay off a debt
- Artists or organisations that do not have a participatory focus to their work or practice
- Proposals submitted after the deadline of the 25th May 2020
- Projects or spending which takes place after 28th August 2020
- Proposals seeking more than £500 from Glasgow CAN

The grant can be used for;

- An existing project that will benefit the local community or a community of interest
- To purchase new equipment or materials that supports the members' artistic practise
- To support activities going online/digital
- New, innovative work or a project taking place during the pandemic
- Match funding for a wider participatory arts project
- Professional development or for research to help inform a future participatory arts project
- Online or traditional marketing materials for a participatory arts project
- To cover an artists' time for project development or delivery
- To support the commissioning of a freelance artists to carry out a piece of work that benefits the local community or a community of interest
- Develop a new participatory arts-based idea or concept including a new collaboration or partnership
- Members who have previously been awarded funds through our Commissioned Projects Programme
- Activities or spending which take place between 1st June – 28th August 2020

All applicants **must be members** of Glasgow CAN. To apply to be a member, please visit www.glasgowcan.org/applytobeamember and complete the online form. Please do not submit an application to this grant scheme without prior confirmation of membership to the organisation.

Proposal Questions

All applicants must cover the **three questions** outlined below in the form of a short proposal of no longer than 1500 words, emailed as an attached document to Glasgow CAN. Applicants may include links to previous work, websites, social media sites, YouTube channels etc. Although the word limit is 1500 words, proposals may be much shorter as Glasgow CAN does not want members spending a great amount of time creating proposals. The three questions that must be covered in the proposal are;

1. Why do you as a member of Glasgow CAN need this support at this time? (Please state here whether the grant is for professional development or resilience).
2. How do you intend on spending the grant? (What will the money be spent on?)
3. Who will benefit from the grant, focussing on the local community or a thematic community? (If this is for professional development, how does your practice benefit communities?)

Financial Information

As part of the proposal, please include a basic income and expenditure table, demonstrating a break-down of costs and explain where appropriate how you came to these costs. (Please follow industry standard rates of pay.)

Receipts do not need to be submitted at the end of the project period but applicants must keep records and may be able to produce receipts if Glasgow CAN wishes to see them.

If the funds are not spent within the period guidelines, the funds must be returned to Glasgow CAN.

Visuals

Please do not include jpegs etc in the body of your document. Links to websites or social media pages may be used instead.

Deadline for Proposals

The submission window for this grant scheme is 11th – 25th May 2020. Any proposals submitted out-with these dates will not be considered.

Evaluation

In August 2020, Glasgow CAN will send out an evaluation form to all awardees. This will be presented in the form of an online survey and will not take long to complete. Please where appropriate keep a record of the number of people applicants reach through the grant, what changes were made to the lives of those involved, any skills developed, project legacy and any changes to how the grant was spent. The deadline for the completion of the Evaluation survey will be **14th September 2020**. Glasgow CAN must report back to Glasgow City Council on its spending, therefore adhering to the deadline above would be appreciated so that Glasgow CAN can collate all of the information in to its own reports.

Any other information

- Glasgow CAN maintains the right to refuse a proposal due to ineligibility (please see key priorities and eligibility above)
- Glasgow CAN may ask for further financial information to better understand the eligibility of an individual or organisation (such as previous annual accounts)
- Glasgow CAN may ask for the grant to be returned if it has not been spent appropriately or not at all
- CVs as separate documents should not be sent along with proposals
- Separate project plans or other funding applications should not be sent along with proposals
- Glasgow CAN would appreciate all awardees contacting a member of Glasgow CAN's core team if any changes occur to how the grant is spent, or if indeed the money will not be spent by the deadline

All proposals should be emailed as an attached document of no more than 1500 words by 6pm on Monday 25th May 2020. For any questions or further information please email info@glasgowcan.org .

Thank you.