



Region of Waterloo Arts Fund

Peer-To-Peer Support for Application Submissions

The Arts Fund endeavours to make the process of applying for funds as straightforward as possible in order to provide meaningful grants. Peer-to-Peer support was initiated as a trial in 2015 and has been extended until further notice.

Members of the Board of Directors are prohibited from directly providing assistance with any aspect of grant application preparation because of a Conflict of Interest policy. It is important that all applicants have an equal opportunity to apply for funding.

However, the Arts Fund recognizes that artists and arts organizations, especially first time applicants, want help understanding the submission process, and has addressed this by arranging access to former board members and/or successful grant recipients who have agreed to share their experience.

The type and amount of guidance is negotiated directly between the applicant and the supporter based on the following conditions:

- Supporters provide contact information at their discretion and may withdraw at any time;
- Supporters provide assistance as a volunteer with no fee for service;
- Requests for support are not at the last minute; sufficient lead time must be allowed;
- There is a full understanding that no application is guaranteed to receive funding, with or without assistance;
- This program is offered by the Board of Directors, and its merits will be reviewed annually.

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