Piscataqua Region Artist Advancement Grant
Eligibility and Terms

**ELIGIBILITY**

**Who is welcome to apply?**
Visual artists and craftspeople whose resume and body of work demonstrate a strong commitment to an artistic discipline. Collaborating visual artists and craftspeople are also eligible to apply.

Eligible art disciplines include:
- **Crafts:** Includes work in clay, leather, plastic, fiber, metal, wood, glass, paper, and mixed media
- **2-Dimensional Work:** Includes drawing, painting, works on paper, printmaking, book arts, collage, assemblage, mixed media, does not include commercial graphic arts
- **3-Dimensional Work:** Includes sculpture, installation art
- **Experimental visual arts:** Includes conceptual, new media (Does not include film and video unless film/video is a component of the overall new media project.)
- **Photography**
- **Those with questions about whether a particular art form is eligible should contact the Program Consultant.**

Artists who are not selected may reapply the following year.
The applicant must be over 18 years of age at time of application.

**Residency**
The applicant must have been a permanent resident within New Hampshire Charitable Foundation’s Piscataqua Region for at least two full years prior to applying and must plan to maintain permanent residence in the region during the entire grant period.

A **permanent resident** is defined as someone who has maintained their principal dwelling in the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation-Piscataqua Region and who has actually resided in the region for more than six months of each of the preceding two years prior to the date of application.

The **New Hampshire Charitable Foundation-Piscataqua Region** is defined as:
Maine: Berwick, Eliot, Kittery, North Berwick, South Berwick, York (including Cape Neddick).

Who May Not Apply?
- No matriculated student enrolled in a degree program during the grant period is eligible to apply.
- Directors and staff of the Foundation and their immediate families are not eligible.
- Current jurors and their immediate family members are not eligible.
- Past recipients of a New Hampshire Charitable Foundation-Piscataqua Region Artist Advancement Grant are not eligible to apply until ten years have elapsed.

What the Artist Advancement Grant Funds
The grant may be used to pursue activity that contributes to the recipient’s growth as an artist.

For example, the grant may be used to support the creation of a new body of work, to experiment with new media, to buy time for investigation and experimentation, to explore new directions, for research and development, to reach new audiences, to take time for solitary work or reflection, to continue work already in progress, or to engage in collaborative projects.

In general, expenses that are clearly related to the Advancement Plan can be covered by the grant.

Examples of expenses that **would be allowable** include:
- Living expenses related to the pursuit of artistic growth
- Chances for advanced study with a significant mentor
- Research
- Travel related to artistic growth
- Equipment or supplies related to artwork
- Studio upgrades
- Rental of space to complete work
- Contracting for professional services related to artwork
- Attending professional development art workshops
- Marketing, website development
- Costs of installations, commissions or projects
- Hiring assistants
- The portion of state and/or federal income taxes directly related to the AAG income if received

Examples of expenses that would generally **not be allowable** uses of grant funds include:
- Purchase of real estate
- Expenses related to maintaining an organization or offering artistic instruction to the public
- Moves to another region
- Tuition or classes related to a degree
- Paying off education loans
- Past debt
TERMS

Release of Images Terms and Conditions
By sending images of New Hampshire Charitable Foundation (the Foundation) the applicant agrees to the following:
Submitted photographs or video clips of artwork is work the applicant has created. The applicant owns the copyright of all of the artwork submitted and retains full ownership of the copyright of the artwork submitted and full ownership of the copyright of any and all digital images created from the applicant’s artwork.
The applicant grants the Foundation permission to publish the images, properly credited, in all of their communications platforms (invitations, print materials, website, etc.)
The applicant grants the Foundation permission to use the images for promotional activities (grant receptions, annual meetings, grant promotion meetings, media press releases, etc.)
No other use is granted or implied.
The New Hampshire Charitable Foundation – Piscataqua Region is not liable for damage or loss of materials submitted.

Exhibit of artwork
All reasonable care will be taken to ensure safe keeping of artwork that is exhibited as part of the Artist Advancement Grant recognition and Momentum events. The artist agrees to assume all liability for their property in case any artwork is lost, destroyed, stolen, or otherwise damaged. The artwork will not be insured by the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation.

If You Receive the Grant
Artist Advancement Grantees have one year to complete grant activities. Grantees will be required to sign a contract stipulating the terms of the grant awards.

Under the terms of the contract grantees must provide the following:
- The Foundation is interested in hearing about the progress and work of grantees. Artists are required to provide a mid-year and final report to the Foundation during the grant period that describe progress made on the Advancement Plan, any changes to the plan and the impact on artistic development.
- The artist must file a budget report to the Foundation at the end of the grant period that outlines how funds were used.
- Those who receive an Advancement Grant may be asked to give a “community report” that expands the public perception and understanding of art and artists. In most cases the report can be fulfilled by the artist participating in a community event such as an art exhibition or an artist talk.
- Those who receive an Advancement Grant are asked to acknowledge funding by New Hampshire Charitable Foundation-Piscataqua Region in any promotional materials, shows, events, or publications that result from Advancement Plan activities and notify the Foundation of publicity that results from the grant award.
- Those who receive an Advancement Grant are required to be publicly recognized as the grant recipient or finalist and make themselves available to promote the Foundation’s Artist Advancement Grant program. This includes recognition in all of the Foundation’s
- communications platforms, media coverage, and personal appearances that may include studio visits, photo shoots, interviews and events.
- Those who receive an Advancement Grant are required to participate in public exhibitions featuring the work of the grant recipient and finalists.

Please note: Grants to individuals are subject to state and federal income tax. The portion of federal income tax related to the income resulting from receiving the Artist Advancement Grant is an allowable expense in the application budget and will vary among applicants. Foundation staff is not able to advise applicants on this matter. Please contact the IRS or your tax preparer for further information.