FIRE RECOVERY AND RESPONSE:  
TWO NEW GRANTS NOW OPEN

The Creative Sonoma Recovery Fund has benefited from the generosity of donors from 38 cities and 8 states across the country. With great thanks for their support of our community, we are very happy to announce two new funding opportunities for Fire Recovery and Response.

The first is for those who have experienced economic loss as a result of the fires. The second is a competitive grant for arts and culture organizations who are producing creative work in response to the fires. Both of these funds are limited in funding and will be announced on the Creative Sonoma website. To learn more and apply, go to creative sonoma.org/grants.
NEW: Creative Sonoma Recovery Fund for Economic Loss
Provides grants (up to $1000) to Sonoma County individual creatives, arts administrators, and creative businesses and organizations that sustained economic loss (but not physical loss) as a result of the 2017 Wildfires. This could include but is not limited to cancelled gigs, postponed performances, loss of clients, or loss of worktime. (Deadline to Apply: February 28, 2018)

NEW: Arts Response Grants for Organizations
A one-time funding opportunity (up to $5000) for Sonoma County nonprofit arts and cultural organizations in Sonoma County to produce creative projects in response to the 2017 Wildfires. An information session regarding this grant will be held on February 22, 2018, 12pm, in the Creative Sonoma office - for more details and to RSVP, click HERE. (Deadline to Apply: April 2, 2018)

CONTINUING: Creative Sonoma Recovery Fund for Physical Loss
Provides quick grants (up to $1000) on a rolling basis to Sonoma County individual creatives, arts administrators, and creative businesses and organizations that sustained physical losses and damage as a result of the 2017 Wildfires. These grants will continue as long as funding is available. Please spread the word that funding is still available to those who lost homes, businesses or tools-of-their trade. (Apply on a rolling basis - no deadline.)

Explore grant guidelines for each category of funding online, and if you have questions, please contact us at creativesonoma@sonoma-county.org.

LEARN MORE

WHAT WE'RE UP TO

SAVE THESE DATES!

Hands-On Workshops: Photographing Your Work
(for interior designers, architects, product designers, artists, artisans...)

Learn to take high-quality photos of your work - with the camera you have - for your
Photographer Tyler Chartier will be teaching these special hands-on workshops. More details and registration information will be released next week - watch your inbox for the announcement. Until then, save these dates!

- Wednesday, February 28, 9am-12pm: Art and Product Photography
- Wednesday, March 14, 9am-12pm: Interior Design and Architecture
- Wednesday, April 11, 5pm-8pm: Art and Product Photography

And MORE workshops coming soon...

WHAT WE'RE READING

Cinnabar Theatre's 2017 Summer Camp Production of "The Little Mermaid"

Do Arts Organizations Bring in Enough Money to Cover Expenses?

A recent study from the National Center for Arts Research shows that it has "become increasingly difficult for arts and cultural organizations to break even, a trend that continues during a current period of economic growth in the U.S."

Expenses have been rising in the arts sector, and the report names this element as the "greatest barrier to financial sustainability" for many organizations.

This study is pertinent as we look for ways to help organizations navigate not only regular challenges with sustainability, but also as we consider the coming years during Sonoma County fire recovery. There is good news within the report: "smaller, more nimble organizations with lower fixed costs have higher chance of financial success."

To explore more of the data and findings, click on Learn More.
GET KNOWLEDGE: Trainings and Conferences

Creative Sonoma Opportunities

INFORMATION SESSION: Arts Response Grants for Organizations
Learn more about this grant opportunity for nonprofit arts and culture organizations on February 22, 2018, 12-1:30pm, 141 Stony Circle, Ste 110, Santa Rosa. RSVP

WORKSHOPS - SAVE THE DATES: Photographing Your Work
More information and registration links will be emailed next week!

- February 28, 9am-12pm: Art and Product Photography
- March 14, 9am-12pm: Interior Design and Architecture
- April 11, 5pm-8pm: Art and Product Photography (repeat of Feb 28 class)

Conferences/Professional Development

Dance Education Forum: Focus on Equity
Join local artists, educators and activists in this discussion in race, power and privilege in dance, and how we can make our teaching more inclusive and equitable, in Berkeley on February 24, 2018. More Information

Check out MORE Professional Development opportunities in our online Marketplace.

GET CONNECTED: Creative Calls, Grants, Jobs & More

Calls to Creatives

CALL FOR ARTISTS: Healing By Art: After the Fires
The new Santa Rosa Arts Center is seeking art, sculpture, and photography created in the aftermath of those terrible weeks for their upcoming exhibition "Healing By Art: After the Fires". Submit artwork in person on February 5-6. More Information

CALL FOR PUBLIC ART: Town of Windsor "Energizing the Future"
The Town of Windsor seeks to commission an artist or team of artists to create 1-2 large-scale outdoor sculptures which fit within the theme of "Energizing the Future" for two traffic roundabouts located prominently on Old Redwood Highway. Deadline is February 8, 2018.
CALL FOR ARTISTS: Cloverdale Sculpture Trail
The Cloverdale Historical Society and History Museum is now accepting submissions for their 2018-2019 Cloverdale Geyserville Sculpture Trail, a year-round outdoor exhibit of sculptures in the Northern Sonoma County community. Deadline for entries is February 25, 2018.

CALL FOR ARTISTS: Dear Sonoma: a Community Literary Journal
The Sonoma State Writing Center is accepting submissions of artwork, personal narratives, photography, and poetry related to the fires and their aftermath for "Dear Sonoma: a Community Literary Journal documenting the October 2017 fires". Deadline is March 1, 2018

Check out MORE Calls to Creatives in Creative Sonoma's online Marketplace.

Grants & Awards

California Arts Council: Grant Programs NOW OPEN
The Council has eleven grant programs currently open for applications, including for arts education, arts for veterans, culturally specific arts groups, and more. Most deadlines range from January to March, 2018.

Artfully Reimagined: Reimaginelt Grants
Reimaginelt Grants which are unconditional, non-matching awards made directly to individual artists to launch or support careers in the inspiring world of repurposed art.

Check out MORE Funding Opportunities in Creative Sonoma's online Marketplace.

Local Jobs & Internships

Museums of Sonoma County: Part-Time Financial Manager
The Museums of Sonoma County (MSC) seeks a part-time Financial Manager to maintain current and accurate accounting and investment records of the Museums of Sonoma County's activities, prepare and analyze financial statements, and assist the Executive Director with cash flow analysis, budgeting and planning.

Transcendence Theatre Company: Various Positions
Transcendence Theatre Company is now hiring for the following summer staff positions: Administrative/Office, Box Office, Costume/Wardrobe, Development, Event Associate, House Management, IT, Merchandise, Promotions, Props, Sound Design/Technician, Tech & Production, Videography & Multimedia, and Volunteer Coordination.

Santa Rosa Symphony: Patron Services Associate
The Santa Rosa Symphony is seeking a Patron Services Associate who will assist the Patron Services Manager with all aspects of ticketing for the Santa Rosa Symphony.

Sonoma County Tourism: Digital Marketing Coordinator
Sonoma County Tourism is looking for a passionate and skilled Digital Marketing Coordinator and social media guru to drive their social media outreach.

Sonoma County Tourism is also seeking a Vice-President of Sales.

Camp Mendocino: Arts and Dramas Specialists
Camp Mendocino is seeking an Arts and Drama Specialists to run creative art programming for campers ages 8-18 in a variety of mediums.

Check out MORE Jobs/Internships in Creative Sonoma’s online Marketplace.

Volunteer Opportunities

Spreckels Performing Arts Center: Volunteers Needed!
Spreckels Performing Arts Center is seeking volunteers for their programming. Their upcoming training dates are coming up beginning February 13, 2018.

Check out MORE Volunteer Opportunities in Creative Sonoma’s online Marketplace.

ENDING SOON

Marketplace Listings Ending Soon
Items we published previously, and are about to expire!

CALL FOR FILMMAKERS - Truly CA: Our State, Our Stories
KQED Truly CA is seeking filmmakers to find completed or nearly completed feature-length or short documentaries for their program "Truly CA: Our State, Our Stories". Submission deadline is February 13, 2018.

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS: Trashion Fashion Show
Sonoma Community Center is now accepting submissions for its 8th Annual Trashion Fashion Show. This delightful runway fashion show features outrageous and humorous wearable art made from recycled materials and cast-off junk. Deadline to apply is March 1, 2018.
The mission of Creative Sonoma is to support and advance the creative community of Sonoma County. We define the creative community as individuals, organizations and businesses whose work is creative at its core. This includes artists, nonprofit cultural organizations, and creative enterprises such as design firms, galleries, recording and video studios, and more.

The e-newsletter CURRENTS is published during the first week of each month, and accepts submissions for the GET KNOWLEDGE and GET CONNECTED sections: please submit potential items to creativesonoma@sonoma-county.org.

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