Opportunities for Artists

Michelle Negrette, NMMS Creative Economy and Cultural Planning Revitalization Specialist, shared the following funding opportunities for artists. Please share these links with artists in your community:

- **Arts Administrators of Color** has launched the Arts Leaders of Color Emergency Fund to support BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, and people of color) artists and arts administrators impacted by COVID-19 through $200 microgrants. Application ongoing.

- **Rauschenberg Medical Emergency Grants** provides up to $5,000 for unexpected medical, dental, and mental health emergencies. Grants are available to visual and media artists and choreographers currently residing in the United States or U.S. territories who have limited resources. Apply by August 31, 2020.

- **Adolph and Esther Gottlieb Emergency Grant** provides financial assistance to painters, printmakers, and sculptors facing an unforeseen, catastrophic incident. Funds are given to cover costs of specific emergencies, such as fire, flood, or medical needs. Application ongoing.

- **CERF+ COVID-19 Relief Grants** provide financial assistance to professional artists working in craft disciplines who are facing dire circumstances due to COVID-19. One-time $1,000 grants are awarded to meet urgent food, housing, or health insecurities. Apply by September 9, 2020.

- **Foundation for Contemporary Arts Emergency Grants COVID-19 Fund** offers $1,500 grants to artists who have had performances or exhibitions canceled or postponed due to COVID-19. Open to individual artists based in the U.S. Apply by September 1, 2020.

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**The show must go on: Three historic theaters being restored in Clovis**

*By The Santa Fe New Mexican*

Clovis MainStreet was featured in a recent Santa Fe New Mexican article about the efforts to restore 3 historic theaters in downtown:

**City of Belen Gives Update on Beckner Avenue Great Blocks Project**

The City of Belen gave the following Great Blocks update on their Facebook page:

**Becker Avenue**

BECKER AVENUE HISTORIC IMPROVEMENTS: Project consists of partial sidewalk and asphalt
“The thought was for these theaters to be a catalytic driver for our downtown economy and for the arts,” said Lisa Pellegrino-Spear, executive director of Clovis MainStreet, a nonprofit economic development organization dedicated to the revitalization of downtown Clovis. “One of the missing links right now is nightlife and entertainment. This will help us capture an audience downtown.”

Project is funded through a Belen MainStreet Partnership Great Blocks Grant award. The partnership is a local citizen nonprofit that applied for and was awarded more than $500,000 in funds for the project.

Project has been out for bid, with bid award and project construction expected by Fall 2020 with completion in Winter 2020.

EDD Accepting FUNDIT Applications
Apply by August 21, 2020

New Mexico FUNDIT assists communities in accessing financing for Infrastructure through Community and Economic Development Projects from over 15 different state and federal entities—all at one in-person meeting.

FundIt is not a grant program; it is a platform connecting your community with a variety of different agencies and resources simultaneously.

Las Vegas Cash Mob at Unikat Jewelry & Ulibarri Farms Candy Shop
August 19, 2020 at 6:00 pm

Las Vegas Cash Mob is a virtual auction to support local businesses and boost their sales.

To shop on Cash Mob, go to the Las Vegas NM Cash Mob Facebook page at 6:00 pm every Wednesday.

Upcoming Webinars:

The Role of Manufacturing in Small Business Growth
Thursday, August 20, 2020

Presented by: Forward Cities, The Urban Manufacturing Alliance, Mountain BizWorks, Manufacturing Main Street America and AARP Livable Communities developed five design-centered briefs to equip community leaders with safe,
Renaissance, and Made in DC.

Race & Preservation
Thursday, August 20, 2020


The Transformative Power of Public Art
Thursday, August 27, 2020

Presented by: Americans for the Arts, Paint the City, and Gensler.

1. Open Streets
2. Parklets & Pedlets
3. Public Amenities
4. Small Businesses
5. Trails & Parks

Tell us about your event or news!

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