

The New Jersey Cultural Trust



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New Jersey Cultural Trust Grants Now Available for Institutional and Financial Stabilization & Capital Historic Preservation

Application Deadline February 15, 2005

The New Jersey Cultural Trust will offer its second round of grants to New Jersey arts, history and humanities nonprofits for Institutional and Financial Stabilization and Capital Historic Preservation projects. **The deadline to apply is Tuesday, February 15, 2005.** Organizations must be designated qualified by The New Jersey Cultural Trust to be eligible for grants.

Eligible organizations are New Jersey based, private nonprofits that have been in operation for four consecutive years, and whose primary mission is to promote the performing, visual and creative arts; or to promote or preserve New Jersey history and humanities.

Guidelines and applications for qualification and for the grants are now available through the Cultural Trust's website at www.njculturaltrust.org or by calling 609-984-6767.

The New Jersey State Council on the Arts, the New Jersey Historical Commission and the New Jersey Historic Trust each administer grant the programs and recommend projects of qualified organizations for funding to the Trust in the areas of endowments, capital projects and financial and institutional stabilization. This year grants will generally range from \$5,000 to \$15,000. The grants are intended to make possible projects and activities that otherwise would not have been possible. The agencies expect to receive a range of proposals that could cover everything from addressing deficits, to capacity building, strategic planning, professional development, establishing working capital to important capital preservation projects.

Grant Workshops will be given by the Trust and the collaborating agencies to assist organizations through the application process and will also include information on organizational advancement and stabilization presented by the Nonprofit Finance Fund. The sessions are free, but advance reservations are required. To register contact The New Jersey Cultural Trust at (609) 984-6767. Workshops are as follows:

Wednesday, January 12, 2005
**Battleship New Jersey
Museum and Memorial**
62 Battleship Place
Camden, NJ 08103

Thursday, January 13, 2005
**The Morris Museum
Bickford Theatre**
6 Normandy Heights Road
Morristown, NJ 07960

Friday, January 14, 2005
**State House Annex
Welcome Center**
Multi-Purpose Room
125 West State Street
Trenton, NJ 08625

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The Cultural Trust launched its inaugural grant program last year and awarded \$600,000 in Financial Stabilization and Historic Preservation grants to support a variety of projects such as marketing strategies designed to reach and develop broader audiences; creating working capital funds; and technology upgrades to more effectively serve the public.

The New Jersey Cultural Trust was established in July 2000 to create a more stable and healthy cultural industry in New Jersey that is sustainable under fluctuating economic conditions. The Trust Fund is a permanent, interest-generating fund that serves as an additional source of revenue to nonprofit arts, history, and humanities organizations for specific purposes that are crucial to ensuring fiscal and operational health, stability and durability and for purposes that are not supported through other state agencies.

For more information contact The New Jersey Cultural Trust at 609-984-6767 or visit the website www.njculturaltrust.org

We gratefully acknowledge the Battleship New Jersey Museum and Memorial, Morris Museum, and New Jersey State House. All sites are accessible to persons with disabilities. Applicants in need of assistive listening devices or other assistance should call the Cultural Trust.

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