

<p>CCAC MISSION:</p>	<p>The Cedar City Arts Council (CCAC) fosters a thriving arts community in Iron County through advocacy, appreciation, education, and support.</p>
<p>CCAC VISION:</p>	<p>The Cedar City Arts Council serves as a principal facilitator for the arts in Southern Utah.</p>
<p>GOALS:</p>	<p>Advocacy: CCAC conveys the essential value of the arts and artists in our community. Appreciation: CCAC encourages the creative spirit and recognizes the arts as a vital economic force. Education: CCAC engages all ages in visual, performing, and literary art forms through diverse programming and community outreach. Support: CCAC helps fund the creative endeavors of artists and small arts organizations.</p>
<p>MINI-GRANTS:</p>	<p>Mini-grants are awarded semi-annually to individuals, groups, or organizations in the visual, performing, and literary arts, to support creative endeavors that will strengthen communication between artists and the community. The maximum award to each proposal is \$500.</p>
<p>ELIGIBILITY:</p>	<p>Our goal is to broaden our cultural landscape through unusual, unique, and innovative ideas, events, and projects. Toward that end, we fund: a) Developing, emerging, or established artists who desire to enhance their creative process, product, or projects; b) Small arts organizations with an annual budget of less than \$25,000; 501(c)(3) non-profit status is not required; c) Proposals from K-16 teachers or students that elevate and exceed the scope of the normal curriculum in granting academic credit</p> <p>Applicants must be residents of Iron County, Utah. When possible, grant funds must be spent in Iron County, Utah. Current CCAC Board of Trustee members are not eligible to apply for individual projects, but may partner on projects with other artists, groups, or organizations. Applicants may not apply for CCAC grant funds if they are also funded by the Utah Division of Arts & Museums or the Cedar City Recreation, Arts, & Parks (RAP) Tax.</p>

USE OF FUNDS:	Grant funds may be used to purchase supplies or equipment; rent displays or performance venues; support mileage or registration costs to attend educational or training sessions; purchase promotional advertising; or other needs as demonstrated in the grant application.
AWARD CYCLES:	Applications must be postmarked by August 31 or February 28 (or Feb. 29, in leap years) each year. Notification of awards will occur within 30 days of the deadline. Applications postmarked after the deadline will be retained and considered in the following grant cycle. Applicants may receive repetitive funding, but not in two consecutive grant cycles.
EVALUATION:	A subcommittee of the Cedar City Arts Council Board of Trustees reviews grant applications for the following items: a) The ability of the applicant(s) to follow the guidelines toward completion of the grant application; b) The perceived ability of the applicant(s) to complete the proposed idea or project within one year of the receipt of grant funds; c) The positive impact of the requested funds on the overall proposal; d) The demonstrable, positive connection of the idea, event, or project with our community and the benefit the project can provide for the Cedar City/Iron County community; e) The artistic quality of the applicant’s work.
PROCEDURE:	a) Each applicant submits a complete grant proposal, per the guidelines and categories on the accompanying form; b) Committee members review grants and correspond with applicants in a timely manner; c) Individuals and groups that receive a first-time grant award will be charged a \$10 processing fee if they are not current members of the CCAC , deducted from the grant award amount. This fee also provides the first year’s CCAC membership as a benefit of the grant award; d) Current member applicants do not pay a processing fee; e) All grant awardees must submit an accountability report, showing that they have complied with their original grant application in the use of grant funds, within one year of project completion. A form is provided by the CCAC for this purpose. Awardees may be asked to present their work at a CCAC Networking Social.