About the Arts Council

The Arts Council of Greater Lansing prides itself on offering a variety of quality services and programs focused on strengthening communities through arts and culture.

We believe that an abundance of educational and funding options are of utmost importance to the arts and cultural field, and we are excited to offer our workshops, events and more than $275,000 in funding and other opportunities each year.

We are pleased to present you with our calendar of programs for January - June 2020 and look forward to connecting with you and cultivating creativity in the months to come.

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January

Open Group Grant Consultation
Tuesday, Jan. 7 | 11am - 1pm
Ding Tea
970 Trowbridge Rd., East Lansing

Artist Exhibition: Claude Johnson-Perry *
Jan. 3 - 31 | 9am - 5pm
Opening Reception - Friday, Jan. 10 | 5 - 8pm
Arts Council of Greater Lansing
1208 Turner St., Lansing

Arts Night Out
Friday, Jan. 10 | 5 - 8pm
Old Town Lansing
Multiple Venues

MCACA Minigrants Round 2 Applications Due
Wednesday, Jan. 15 | 11:59pm

February

Artist Exhibition: Kelly Hansen *
Feb. 3 - 28 | 9am - 5pm
Opening Reception - Friday, Feb. 7 | 5 - 7pm
Arts Council of Greater Lansing
1208 Turner St., Lansing

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Young Creatives Billboards Submission Deadline *
Monday, Feb. 3 | 11:59pm

smARTS Workshop: "What is an Arts Council Membership?" *
With Taylor Haslett
Thursday, Feb. 6 | 11am - 1pm
MICA Gallery
1210 Turner St., Lansing

Open Group Grant Consultation
Friday, Feb. 14 | 9 - 11am
Flour Child Bakery
323 S. Bridge St., Grand Ledge

"ARTiculate" Arts Advocacy Training
Tuesday, Feb. 18 | 5 - 6:30pm
Arts Council of Greater Lansing
1208 Turner St., Lansing

March

smARTS Workshop: "Incorporating Video Into Your Promotional Plan" *
With Render Studios
March 2020, Date and Time TBD
MICA Gallery
1210 Turner St., Lansing
Artist Exhibition: Youth Arts Exhibition
March 6 - 30 | 9am - 5pm
Opening Reception - Friday, March 6 | 5 - 8pm
Arts Council of Greater Lansing
1208 Turner St., Lansing

Arts Night Out
Friday, March 6 | 5 - 8pm
Old Town Lansing
Multiple Venues

Ingham County Hotel / Motel Funds for Arts & Tourism Applications Due
Sunday, March 1 | 11:59pm

Open Group Grant Consultation
Wednesday, March 11 | 3 - 5pm
Looking Glass Brewing Co.
115 N. Bridge St., Dewitt

April

Artist Exhibition: Paul Vetne *
April 1 - 29 | 9am - 5pm
Opening Reception - Friday, April 3 | 5 - 7pm
Arts Council of Greater Lansing
1208 Turner St., Lansing
Open Group Grant Consultation
Tuesday, April 7 | 9 - 11am
Mark’s Place
238 S. Main St., Eaton Rapids

Spring Grant Awards Ceremony
Tuesday, April 14 | 10am - 12pm
Location TBD

smARTS Workshop: "Forming a Nonprofit" *
With Taylor Cast and John Mashni, Foster Swift Collins & Smith PC
Tuesday, April 28 | 5:30 - 7:30pm
MICA Gallery
1210 Turner St., Lansing

May

Artist Exhibition: Anita Brett *
May 1 - 28 | 9am - 5pm
Opening Reception - Friday, May 1 | 5 - 8pm
Arts Council of Greater Lansing
1208 Turner St., Lansing

Arts Night Out
Friday, May 1 | 5 - 8pm
Old Town Lansing
Multiple Venues

Artist Exhibition Wall (Round 2 — July - Dec. 2020) *
Submissions Due
Monday, May 18 | 11:59pm
Open Group Grant Consultation
Friday, May 22 | 9 - 11am
Chapbook Cafe
1982 Grand River Ave., Okemos

June

Artist Exhibition: Lisa Dulany *
June 1 - 26 | 9am - 5pm
Opening Reception - Friday, June 5 | 5 - 7pm
Arts Council of Greater Lansing
1208 Turner St., Lansing

Open Group Grant Consultation
Monday, June 8 | 9 - 11am
The Brew Cafe
610 N. Creyts Rd., Lansing

smARTS Workshop: "How the 517 Living Calendar is Promoting Arts & Culture in Lansing" *
With Sarah Pierce
Wednesday, June 10 | 11 - 1pm
MICA Gallery
1210 Turner St, Lansing

Creative Mixer
Thursday, June 11 | 5 - 7pm
Fenner Nature Center Susan and Jack Davis Nature Pavillion
2020 E. Mt. Hope Ave., Lansing
**Arts Night Out**

Old Town: Jan. 10 | March 6 | May 1

This bi-monthly happening is a free, walkable arts event that puts art of all kinds in community spaces. Come experience art and local business in new ways! Enjoy artist demos, interactive art, live music, street performers and more! All ages welcome. All events 5 - 8pm.

**Creative Mixers**

June 11, 5 - 7pm | Fenner Nature Center

Our mixers are held in partnership with our members and provide the space for networking, fostering creativity and meeting friends old and new. They are free-of-charge and serve up a delicious array of people, light appetizers, wines and other beverages.
Young Creatives Billboards Program


Each March, as part of National Youth Arts Month, the Arts Council launches its Young Creatives Billboards campaign. The “Support Young Creatives” program features the artwork of up to six Tri-County K-12 students on digital billboards across Greater Lansing. Teachers are invited to submit one artwork by one of their students.

MCACA Minigrants Round 2

Deadline: Jan. 15, 11:59pm

Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs (MCACA) Minigrants are funded by the State of Michigan and administered by regional regranting agencies across the state. The Arts Council of Greater Lansing administers the program for Prosperity Region 7, which includes Ingham, Eaton and Clinton counties.
Ingham County Hotel/Motel Funds for Arts and Tourism

Deadline: March 1, 11:59pm

This grant was established to support promotions to attract out-of-county visitors into Ingham County. These awards are funded by five percent of Ingham County hotel/motel revenues, per Ingham County Board of Commissioners resolution. Nonprofit organizations located in Ingham County established primarily for cultural, educational, artistic, historical or entertainment purposes are eligible to apply.

Artist Exhibition Wall (Round 2)

Opens April 1 | Deadline: May 18, 11:59pm

Arts Council members have the opportunity to showcase their artwork in the contemporary setting at 1208 Turner Street. Exhibitions run for one month. Round-2 exhibitions run from June through Dec. 2020. An opening reception is held at the Arts Council for each exhibition.

Young Creatives

Artists-in-Residence Program

Artist applications accepted spring through summer

This program was designed to enrich arts experiences for Tri-County area K - 6 students. The program pairs classroom teachers with area professional artists for a five-visit workshop series, deepening the arts education experience for students and introducing them to community artists who can broaden their understanding of creativity and appreciation for the arts.
smARTS Workshops
Feb. 6 | March TBA | April 28 | June 10

Our smARTS programs offer low-cost workshops to our membership and the public that are related to running, creating and growing an arts business or organization. Topics include: self-promotion, gaining audience and more.

Have a topic you want covered by the Arts Council? Contact Taylor Haslett at taylor@lansingarts.org.
Technical Assistance/Consulting

The Arts Council staff offer personalized consultations to artists, arts organizations, communities, municipalities and others by appointment. These sessions cover a variety of topics and needs that help to increase capacity and support the creative pursuits of our members.

Advocacy

The arts have a major impact on the economy and education and serve as a primary way for communities to preserve and celebrate their culture and heritage. The Arts Council provides advocacy training, resources and more to help strengthen the arts in our region.
If you are interested in being an arts advocate during the month of March and “ARTiculating” the value of arts and culture in the Capital region at a local school, city or township meeting, please contact us at info@lansingarts.org and sign up today. Advocacy Training and talking point distribution will take place on Tuesday, Feb. 18 from 5 - 6:30pm at the Arts Council.

Grants

The best grant applications are thoroughly reviewed before submission. This means that you should have as many people looking at your application as possible — checking for errors and reading through it for understanding — before you send it to the grantmaker. This is where the Arts Council can assist you.

Membership and program manager Taylor Haslett is available in-person and by phone or email to read through your application before it goes to the scoring panel. Let us make sure what you have written follows the guidelines, is written clearly without gaps, is properly formatted and raises your application to the next level!

The Arts Council facilitates eight different grants in six grant programs. In order to make sure you know what changes may have occurred to a grant program, or what funding options are currently available, come in for individual grant consultations or attend an Open Group Grant Consultation at one of the six locations and times outlined in this program guide.
Join our collective group of arts supporters, artists, educators, festivals and organizations.

We cordially invite you to become a member of the Arts Council of Greater Lansing. New members can join at any time. Memberships run from January - December and include a variety of benefits and opportunities.

When you join the Arts Council, you become a member of a family and community that supports and respects the work that you do. Growing that community is at the heart of our mission. The Arts Council exists to support you, and in turn, your membership helps us achieve our mission – to support, strengthen and promote arts, culture and creativity in the Capital region.
Your Arts Council membership opens doors to connections; it helps you find your people and grow as a creative and an organization.

We are committed to providing an exclusive benefit package to our members and providing you the support you need. We look forward to welcoming you as a member of our arts family and to working with you in the years to come.

Benefits of Every Membership

- Inclusion in online directory
- Unlimited event listings in the online arts calendar
- Special rates on workshops & other training opportunities
- Fee-based strategic planning, board, program and fund development facilitation
- Complimentary Creative Mixers & networking opportunities
- Access to research, job opportunities, funding, alerts, reports, surveys & more through the bi-monthly Creative Connection
- Access to use the Business Resource Center
- Promotional sharing on the Arts Council website
- Invitations and special rates to attend Arts Council fundraising events
- Access to individual and group consultations on professional development, grant writing, budget development, marketing, cultural event planning, creative practice needs and other topics
We hope you’ll join us in supporting the growth and future of the Arts Council by considering a charitable contribution today. Your dollars, combined with the dollars of others who value the work of the Arts Council, will ensure the sustainability of our work.

The Chris Clark Fellowship Program for Creative Professionals

Support the Arts Council Endowment at the Community Foundation

Planned Gifts

There are many giving levels available, so you can donate in a way that best fits you.

- Pillar of the Arts | $10,000 and above
- Cultural Champions | $5,000 - $9,999
- Grand Society | $1,000 - $4,999
- Art Ambassadors | $500 - $999
- pARTners | Up to $499

Additional Donor Opportunities:

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