



PORTLAND ARTIST RELIEF FUND

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Creative Portland's mission is to support and sustain the creative economy through the arts. "The suspension of live arts - and of every cultural activity - that involves the presence of other people is a grievous loss, and a cause for real grief." (A.O. Scott/NYT). As the City's official nonprofit arts agency, Creative Portland's COVID-19 resilience plan is to create and manage an artists' emergency relief fund to help our amazing artists in the gig economy who have no other funding sources. We are taking the lead to consolidate efforts into the management of ONE local artist relief fund. As a convener and facilitator, we practice community buy-in and inclusion to assemble volunteer curatorial teams and juries to serve the community. We select artwork for gallery exhibitions, talent for Hear Here, panelists for the Arts & Culture Summit and so on. We select diverse teams of cultural leaders and stakeholders, and during this stressful time of shutdown, we will work hard to provide immediate support to our wonderful (and currently challenged) arts community. Your tax-deductible contribution will provide direct relief to artists and performing artists who are experiencing extreme hardship.

DONATE TODAY

To provide DIRECT RELIEF to local artists

Purpose: to provide artists with a one-time \$500 relief stipend to help make ends meet. Goal is to raise \$50,000 to help support 100 artists who may be experiencing extreme hardship due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Applicants who are eligible for unemployment or who have access to other funding sources should not apply.

Grant Cycles: Spring 2020 during the Covid-19 outbreak.

1st cycle: Application open March 30 - April 30, 2020; checks mailed by May 15

Selection Process: Review committee will follow specific criteria/rubric prompts

Arts Community Review Committee includes: Kate Anker (RWS), Daniel Minter (IAA & MECA), Dinah Minot (Office of Creative Portland), Peter McLaughlin (Space), Felicity Lodge (ARF Coordinator), and Allen Baldwin (Damnationland/Storyboard).

Ongoing Community Support: Recipients will be asked to consider giving back to the community, in some manner, including the possibility of donating art for parallel fundraising efforts or providing in-kind services or volunteer time on a CP initiative in FY21, including the Portland Arts & Culture Summit, Hear Here, First Friday Art Walk, or another Creative Portland project that convenes and/or promotes the creative community.