

STATE TOURING PROGRAM

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The State Touring Program provides fee support grants to the presenters of Florida performing arts companies or artists that have been appointed to the state touring roster. Selection for roster appointment involves a competitive peer-review process.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

Public entities (i.e., state agencies, county governments, municipalities, school board districts, community colleges or universities) and not-for-profit corporations (active status under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, and 501(c)(3) or (4) Internal Revenue Service designation required).

TYPE OF ASSISTANCE

Fee support grants.

AVAILABLE FUNDING

Grant funds pay for one-third of the cultural arts program fee; presenters in underserved county areas are eligible for two-thirds fee support. Priority consideration is given to counties with populations of 75,000 or less.

SOURCE OF FUNDS

Annual state legislative appropriations.

APPLICATION PROCESS/DEADLINES

Annual deadline is each spring for a grant period of the following July 1 through June 30. The applicant makes performance arrangements with touring companies included on the state roster. Funding requests from the presenter/applicant will be reviewed by the Florida Arts Council and presented to the secretary of state for approval.

MATCHING/OTHER REQUIREMENTS

Cash match is made by the presenter when paying the balance of the company performance fee that is not covered by the grant. The amount of match will be determined by the location of the presenter and the performance and generally equals one-third to two-thirds of the fee. Under-served county areas are eligible to request grants for up to two-thirds of the fee (leaving the remaining one-third as local match).

CONTACT

Dr. Gaylen Phillips, Program and Development Manager
Division of Cultural Affairs
Florida Department of State
R.A. Gray Building, 3rd Floor
500 S. Bronough Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399
(850) 245-6482
Fax: (850) 245-6497
E-mail: gphillips@dos.state.fl.us
www.florida-arts.org