



Arts Council National Lottery Project Grants

Date (day/month/year)

Presenter's name and details

Who Are Arts Council England

Arts Council England is the Arts and Cultural Development Agency in England

They support a range of activities across the **arts, museums and libraries including:**

- Dance
 - Libraries
 - Literature
 - Music
 - Museums
 - Theatre
 - Visual Arts
 - Combined Arts
 - Audiences and Engagement
 - Children and Young People
 - Creative Media and Digital
 - Touring
 - Diversity
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Arts Council's Mission & Goals

“Great art and culture for everyone”

Goal 1: Excellence is thriving and celebrated in the arts, museums and libraries

Goal 2: Everyone has the opportunity to experience and to be inspired by the arts, museums and libraries

Goal 3: The arts, museums and libraries are **resilient** and **environmentally sustainable**

Goal 4: The leadership and workforce in the arts, museums and libraries are **diverse** and appropriately **skilled**

Goal 5: Every **child and young person** has the opportunity to experience the richness of the arts, museums and libraries

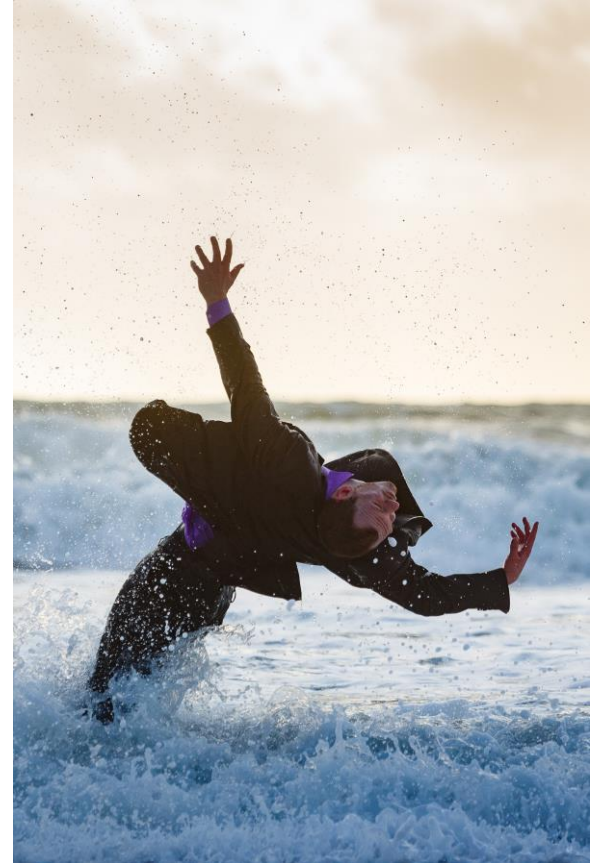
Arts Council's funding portfolio

Arts Council have three main pillars of funding open to different types of applicants:

- **Funded Organisations**
(National Portfolio Organisations)
- **Development funds**
- **Project Grants**

Awarding funds from:

- **Grant in Aid (DCMS)**
- **National Lottery Good Causes**



Arts Council's National Portfolio

- ACE announced their new portfolio of funded organisations in July 2017.
- ACE invest £409 million per year in 830 arts organisations, museums and libraries .
- The number of museums within the Portfolio increased to 57 and includes over 200 individual museums.
- The Museum Development programme is part of the National Portfolio.



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What are Arts Council's new Project Grants?

A grant programme that supports ACE delivery of its mission:
'Great art and culture for Everyone'

A new opportunity for museum projects

Grants will be awarded of between **£1,000** and **£100,000** from the **National Lottery** to:

- **individuals**
- **organisations**
- **people who use the arts in their work**

For time limited activities that:

- **help museums and libraries, artists and arts organisations, in England carry out their work**
 - **benefit people in England**
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Project Grants in numbers

- **£97.3m per year** for 2018 - 2022
- **2** “Strands”
 - **£15,000 and under** - Decision in **6 weeks**
 - **Over £15,000** - Decision in **12 weeks**

Historically, Grants for the Arts received:

- Over **10,000** applications per year
 - Approx. **80-85%** of those are eligible
 - Approx. **40%** success rate
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What kind of activity is funded?

museum practice/
productions / exhibitions /
conservation/ participatory
projects / events / festivals /
carnivals / workshops / digital
projects / artistic research and
development / commissions /
participation / asset purchase /
making work / touring /
residencies / professional
development / international
partnerships / organisation and
business development / audience
development /



Conservation of Cetacean skeletons

Museums



Garden Museum

Museums

Case study:

Garden Museum:

Building more sustainable growth through public programming
£55,405

- Located at Church of St Mary, Lambeth
- Permanent display of collection of historic artefacts, paintings, tools and ephemera, as well as contemporary collecting
- Programme around Garden Design, Social and Design History and Green Infrastructure

What kind of activity can't be supported?

- activities that provide no potential benefit to the public
- retrospective activities
- general running costs and overheads
- fundraising or profit making activity
- collection acquisitions
- building-based capital projects for museums
- second-hand equipment (exceptions apply)
- touring projects more than 15% outside England (exceptions apply)
- international activities where there is no benefit to people in England
- statutory, further or higher education course-related activity
- activities that do not focus on Arts Council disciplines

How to apply

Advice and Guidance

Project Grants pages of ACE's **website**
<http://www.artscouncil.org.uk/projectgrants>

- [How to apply guidance](#) – Essential reading
- [Information sheets](#)

Customer Services - 0845 300 6200 or 0161 934 4317

- discuss eligibility
- basic advice
- help with Grantium

Relationship Managers

- Project Grants surgeries/events
 - Additional development support for applicants in priority areas published online here
 - <https://www.artscouncil.org.uk/our-mission-and-strategy/delivering-our-strategy>
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Applying for funding: Grantium key key steps

Step 1: Create a user account

Top tip:

Make a note of your user name and password. Use the password reminder tool if you forget but please do not create more than one user account.



Step 2: Create your applicant profile

Top tip:

The 'applicant' is the person or organisation we will make a grant to if your application is successful, and an 'applicant profile' is where their contact information is held.



Step 3: Validation period

We normally validate profiles within five working days. You will receive an email notification once your profile has been validated.

Top tip:

Read the programme guidance while you wait for your profile to be validated.



Step 4: Take the eligibility questionnaire

Top tip:

If you need a permission to apply letter, you will need to upload it before you can complete this step.



Step 5: Start your application

Top tip:

Avoid common mistakes by reading the programme guidance in full before you start, it will help you in the long run.



Apply online: Grantium

- Start / complete your application
 - Receive your decision
 - Accept an offer of a grant
 - Request payments
 - Submit payment conditions and
 - Submit activity report forms
 - Receive email notifications
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The application form

- **Basic details**

The application form asks questions relating to **four criteria**;

- **Quality**
- **Public engagement**
- **Finance**
- **Management**

The number of questions, and depth of information requested will increase in line with the value of the application

When you hear back

- **If unsuccessful** you can reapply but weaknesses will have been identified in your feedback and you will need to address these in your re-submission
 - **If successful** you have one month to accept offer
 - The grant will normally be paid in stages
 - Important to acknowledge Arts Council and the National Lottery funding
 - You will need to evaluate your project.
 - Good Luck!
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