



# City of San Antonio

## Agenda Memorandum

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**Agenda Date:** June 27, 2024

**In Control:** San Antonio Arts Commission

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**DEPARTMENT:** Department of Arts and Culture

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Krystal Jones

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** Citywide

**SUBJECT:**

FY25 Artist Grant - Preliminary Funding Recommendation (Action Item)

**SUMMARY:**

The Department of Arts & Culture offers grants to qualifying artists based in San Antonio. Artist Grants support a diverse portfolio of artists working across the city of San Antonio. These grants are designed to expand an artist's professional development through the creation of new high-quality work, which is publicly premiered/displayed/performed in San Antonio during the contract period. Funding is dependent upon eligibility and the availability of funds.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

Artist Grants are available in two tiers: \$7,500 and \$15,000. (\$7,500 is available for individual artists. \$15,000 is intended for artists with significant-scale projects, collaborations, collectives, or ensembles presenting a larger project or production.) Artist Grants are administered annually with

an Open Call every year. Contracts are for an 18-month period beginning October 1, 2024. Projects must be completed and publicly displayed/ performed in San Antonio by March 31, 2026.

**ISSUE:**

Approval of the recommendation is required by the Arts Funding Committee.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Funding for the Artist Grants will be included in the Department of Arts & Culture's FY25 Budget.**

**ALTERNATIVES:**

This item is an Action item to approve the Artist Grants Funding. The alternative would be to delay the item until the Arts Funding Committee could convene at a future meeting.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval.