



City of San Antonio

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In Control: San Antonio Arts Commission

DEPARTMENT: Department of Arts and Culture

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Krystal Jones

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

Briefing on the status of FY24 Project Grants for Individual Artists

SUMMARY:

The Department of Arts and Culture provides Project Grants for Individual Artists to qualifying professional artists based in San Antonio. These grants aim to support a diverse portfolio of artists working across the city in the production of new, original, high-quality art. The application process for the competitive grant opened with an Intent to Apply on March 24, 2023, with eligibility criteria and closed on April 14, 2023. Applicants who met the eligibility criteria were given access to the Application which opened on April 3, 2023 and closed on May 1, 2023. A total of 305 artists submitted their Intent to Apply for FY24. Categories available: Visual, Performing, Media, Literary and Multimedia. Applications are scored by an independent panel of arts professionals.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Department of Arts and Culture's Core Grant Funding Program Guidelines includes Project Grants for Individual Artists. These \$5,000 grants are open to qualifying artists based in San Antonio to create and present new working throughout the city. The Department of Arts and Culture will manage a grant process for the competitive grant.

ISSUE:

Status of FY24 Project Grants for Individual Artists.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funding for the FY24 Project Grants for Individual Artists will be included in the Department of Arts and Culture's FY24 Budget. This is a briefing item and has no fiscal impact.

ALTERNATIVES:

This item is a briefing on the status of FY24 Project Grants for Individual Artists. The alternative would be to delay the briefing item until the next Arts Funding committee meeting scheduled for July 6, 2023.

RECOMMENDATION:

This is a briefing item only.