

## OHIO ARTISTS ON TOUR

### *Artist Fee Support for Presenters*

Ohio is home to a remarkable variety of talented performing artists and ensembles that contribute to the quality of life and creative economy of the state and region. The Ohio Artists on Tour fee support program enables Ohio's presenting organizations to tap into the creative potential of these artists in order to enrich their programming and the vitality of their communities. Visit the [Ohio Artists on Tour Directory](#) to learn more about the many artists and ensembles available through this program.

### APPLICATION DEADLINE

Fully executed contracts must be submitted by May 15. See the "How to Apply" section below for additional application requirements.

### WHAT THE PROGRAM SUPPORTS

The Ohio Artists on Tour fee support program provides grants to presenting institutions throughout Ohio that present artists listed in the [Ohio Artists on Tour Directory](#). The artist or ensemble must conduct at least one outreach activity (e.g., master class, lecture/demonstration, school performance, workshop, etc.) in the community, and all performances must be marketed to the general public.

#### Allowable Expenses

OAC funds must be used for artist fees, which may include travel, lodging and outreach activity expenses. Please refer to the [Funding Restrictions](#) section of the OAC *Guidelines* (page 18) for a list of activities the OAC cannot fund.

### GRANT AWARDS

Applicants to the Ohio Artists on Tour fee support program may request up to one-third of an artist or ensemble's fee. The maximum request for a single artist or ensemble is \$10,000. Organizations may request fee support for multiple artists or ensembles from the Ohio Artists on Tour Directory, up to a maximum total award of \$15,000.

### WHO MAY APPLY

Arts, cultural, community-based and social service organizations doing arts programming may receive Ohio Artists on Tour fee support. Organizations must be located and incorporated in Ohio. All applicants must possess nonprofit status or nonprofit intent.

To receive fee support, applicants must first be awarded an OAC grant in the [Sustainability](#), [Arts Access](#) or [Project Support](#) programs in the fiscal year the artist or ensemble's performance is scheduled to occur; no additional application is required. Applicants may submit contracts for fee support in the second year of a two-year award in Sustainability or Arts Access.

Applicants may be:

- Nonprofit arts and cultural organizations in any discipline (community arts, literature, performing arts, traditional arts, visual arts, etc.); OR
- Other nonprofit organizations that provide arts programming (government entities, social service agencies, etc.); OR
- Educational organizations (colleges, universities, etc.) that demonstrate a commitment to arts programming in a larger community setting.

## HOW TO APPLY

In addition to being funded through the Sustainability, Arts Access and/or Project Support programs, [presenters](#) must submit a fully executed contract for each artist or ensemble for which they are seeking fee support. To be considered for funding, contracts must include:

- dates of engagement
- contracted fee
- number of performances
- description of outreach activities
- signature of [presenter](#)
- signature of artist (or artist management)
- e-mail address of primary contact person

To be eligible for fee support, artists' contracts may be submitted starting November 1 and are due no later than 5 p.m. on May 15. Contracts may be mailed in hard copy to [Kathy Cain](#) at the OAC, faxed to 614/466-4494 (attention: Kathy Cain), or scanned and e-mailed as an attachment. An e-mail confirming receipt of the completed contract will be sent to the e-mail address provided. In the event that overall requests for fee support exceed available funds, grants will be made on a first-come, first-served basis.

## TIMELINE

First day to submit fully executed contracts	November 1
Required applications to: Sustainability, Arts Access, and/or Project Support	February 1 March 1 April 1
Last day to submit fully executed contracts	May 15
Grant award announcement	July
Signed grant agreement deadline	August 30
Grant period	July 1 - June 30
Final report deadline	July 30