

# SUSTAINABILITY

## Narrative

Before beginning your Narrative, familiarize yourself with the [Review Criteria](#) for this program. Also review the OAC's [Cultural Participation Policy](#) and [Public Value Policy](#).

Answer all the narrative questions in the boxes provided. Do not send additional text in print format with your Support Materials. Use upper and lower case letters (not all caps). Formatted text is not accepted. You cannot bold, italicize or underline text, nor change the font style/size. Responses are limited to a maximum character count. Note the size of the text box and maximum number of characters before you begin writing (in 10 pt. type, there are approximately 3,333 characters on an 8.5" x 11" page). You will be notified if you have exceeded the character count.

Review your responses and edit them to meet the specifications. There is no spell check feature. It is recommended you prepare your responses in a word processing program, spell-check and count characters, then copy and paste the text into the appropriate text box in OLGA. If you use a word processing program, be sure to save a copy for future reference. Please review your entire Narrative before submitting your application (use the Preview button at the bottom of this page to open the application in PDF format).

## SUMMARY

**Provide a one-paragraph synopsis of your organization's activities during the grant period. Focus on major programming, highlights, key personnel, educational/outreach activities and locations.**

*Limit response to 750 characters. This includes spaces and punctuation.*

## OVERVIEW

**1. What does your organization plan to do during the grant period? Provide a brief overview of who will be involved, what will happen, and when and where activities or programs will take place.**

*Limit response to 3,000 characters. This includes spaces and punctuation.*

## ARTISTIC / EDUCATIONAL / CULTURAL VALUE

**2. How does your organization define artistic success and how will you continue to evolve creatively to achieve that success? Please note any new or expanded activities since your last application.**

*Limit response to 1,111 characters. This includes spaces and punctuation.*

**3. Building on your response to the first narrative question, how does your organization define educational and cultural success and how will you continue to achieve that success?**

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## COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION AND ACCESSIBILITY

**4. What is your organization doing to increase [cultural participation](#) in your programs or activities? Please provide specific examples of your organization's efforts to build participation and/or to minimize barriers to participation.**

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5. What impact does your organization have on individuals in your community, on your community as a whole, or on the state, national or international level? Please use actual stories or first-hand accounts of your organization's **public value** in your response.

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#### **PLANNING AND EVALUATION**

6. Explain your organization's planning process and how your community is involved. Why did your organization decide to offer the programs or activities described in this application?

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7. Describe your organization's evaluation methods. How will information from your evaluations be used to plan future programming or improve operations?

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#### **ORGANIZATIONAL AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT**

8. Explain the primary challenge(s)—either internal or external—that your organization faces and give details on how you are strategically addressing the challenge(s).

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9. Describe the strengths, assets or practices—internal and external—that give your organization the capacity to effectively manage the programs and services proposed in this application.

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