

Urbana Arts and Culture Grant Program

Proposed Changes for Commission Review October 23rd, 2018

Summary of Program Changes:

The Urbana Arts (*and Culture*) Grant Program as proposed will have 3 tiered categories plus a category for arts education initiatives in local schools (formerly the separate Arts in the Schools Grant Program) and a newly proposed Poet Laureate Program. Categories are described as:

Tier 1 (\$500-\$1,500 awards)

Designed for individual artist projects or smaller scale arts and culture programs.

Tier 2 (\$1,500-\$3,000 awards)

Designed for mid-sized events and requires 50% in matching funds.

Tier 3 (\$3,000-\$10,000 awards)

Designed for large-scale festivals and special events, and requires 70% in matching funds.

Poet Laureate Program (\$2,000 award)

One Poet Laureate is selected annually to receive this \$2,000 honorarium/grant. The City of Urbana's Poet Laureate Program celebrates poetry by recognizing a resident poet who forges connections, honors and serves our diverse community, elevates the importance of the poetry through sharing their creative work with Urbana residents. The Poet Laureate acts as an advocate for poetry, language, and the arts. They create a unique artistic legacy through public readings and civic events in collaboration with the Urbana Public Arts Program.

Arts in the Schools (\$500-\$3,000 awards)

Designed to support arts education initiatives in local schools and requires a 50% match from participating schools.

Financial Delineations:

		Min Award	Max Award		Match Requirement	
Tier 1	11,000	500	1,500		N/A	
Tier 2	22,000	1,500	3,000		50% of total	
Tier 3	40,000	3,000	10,000		70% of total	
Poet	2,000	2,000	2,000		N/A	
Schools	5,000	500	3,000		50% of total	
SUB TOTAL	80,000					
ALLOWANCE	80,000					