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Bronx Council on the Arts Announces Grant for Local Artists and Local Arts Organizations

(Bronx – October 18, 2011) The Bronx Council on the Arts (BCA) announces the availability of its 2011 – 2012 Arts Fund application and guidelines now available online on BCA's website at www.bronxarts.org.

The Bronx Council on the Arts (BCA) is seeking submissions from Bronx-based arts organizations and artists for new public projects that have not taken place due to lack of funding or projects already scheduled for which additional funds would have a significant impact. This initiative is geared to organizations with annual budgets under \$200,000 for two of the last three years and to independent artists who are unaffiliated. This grant will only support projects that demonstrate a community/public benefit.

Deadline for online submissions for the Arts Fund is Friday, November 18, 2011, 5:00 pm. Grants range up to \$5,000. Projects must be completed by December 31, 2012.

Bronx-based not-for-profit arts organizations whose central mission is the production, preservation, publication, or demonstration of one or more art forms are eligible for funding. Organizations that do not have 501(C)3 status may apply if they are at least charity-registered with New York State (see http://www.charitiesnys.com/charities_new.html). All organizations must be Bronx-based and not funded by the Department of Cultural Affairs.

All projects — Presenting, Performances, Exhibitions, Film/video series, Workshop/classes, etc. — must be fully public in its nature and take place at a Bronx site.

Artist-initiated projects are eligible and artists may apply directly. The artist must be a Bronx resident with proof of residency. Proof of residency includes: NYS DMV Driver's license, NYS DMV Photo ID, current utility bill with artists name current phone bill with artist name.

The Bronx Council on the Arts will host two How to Apply Sessions on Thursday, November 3, 2011 and Friday, November 4, 2011. Both Sessions will begin at 6:00 pm, at the Bronx Council on the Arts, 1738 Hone Avenue, Bronx, NY 10461.

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