

FAQs in response to COVID-19

Please know that the National Endowment for the Arts is focused on and closely monitoring COVID-19 and its effect on the arts community. We stand ready to assist our applicants and awardees in the coming weeks and months.

For more information regarding COVID-19, please visit the [Center for Disease Control \(CDC\)'s website \[cdc.gov\]](https://www.cdc.gov).

Applicants

Q. Will the upcoming [2020 application deadlines](#) be changed?

A. No. The National Endowment for the Arts will continue to accept grant applications at our published deadlines. All applications are submitted electronically through systems that are unaffected by the COVID-19 situation.

Q. Will my application be reviewed on schedule?

A. Yes. All of our application review panels are virtual. Panelists work and meet remotely. Staff conducts panel reviews through our electronic systems and can do so at our offices and remotely.

Q. What if our organization applied to the February 2020 Grants for Arts Projects deadline and we need to make a change to our project as a result of COVID-19?

A. Applicants should notify National Endowment for the Arts discipline staff of any significant changes in their project that occurs after they have submitted their application. Our staff will work with you to determine the appropriate course of action.

Awardees

Q. We might have to cancel our grant project (or part of our grant project). What options are there?

A. You can request a Period of Performance extension if you think you may be able to complete the project activities by a later end date. You also can request a change in the scope of the grant project. Depending on the change, you may be able to draw down funds for the costs and activities you've already completed.

Q. We might be able to accomplish some of our grant project, but what if our budget costs need to change?

A. You can submit a revised budget request that includes why changes are needed. Generally, budget items will still need to be allowable and allocable to the grant project.

IMPORTANT: You can discuss potential changes with appropriate program staff, but only the Office of Grants Management has the authority to formally approve changes. The Office of Grants Management will confer with program and other staff as necessary during the review process.

General

Q. Will I be able to contact Arts Endowment staff?

A. Yes. Whether working at our offices or remotely, our staff will be available to answer your questions. It is possible, however, that your regular contact may be unavailable. If you don't get a response within a reasonable period of time, feel free to reach out to someone else in your [regular contact's office](#). Current Arts Endowment awardees can reach the Office of Grants Management at grants@arts.gov.

Quick Links

[Apply for a Grant](#). This is where to find grant opportunity Guidelines and application instructions.

[Manage Your Award](#). Bookmark this page for links to resources and information about the rules, regulations, policies, and procedures to manage and administer a grant or cooperative agreement (award), including forms, guidance, and reporting requirements that govern your award. **This is where you'll find detailed information about requesting changes to your award.**