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# MIAMI-DADE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS ANNOUNCES THE GRANT DEADLINES FOR THE 2014-2015 SUMMER & FALL CYCLES

## Schedule of Culture Grants Online (CGO) and Grant-Specific Workshops Also Available

(Miami – May 22, 2014) The Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs is pleased to announce the deadline schedule for the fiscal year 2014-2015 summer and fall cycles of arts and cultural grants programs available to Miami-Dade County based non-profit cultural groups. Guidelines containing information regarding eligibility requirements, funding requests and other detailed program criteria can be downloaded at <u>www.miamidadearts.org</u> by clicking *Grants / Online Grants / Organizations*. Grant guidelines can also be requested in-person by calling the Department of Cultural Affairs at (305) 375-4634, or by email at culture@miamidade.gov.

# Grants Funding Opportunities Available for Arts, Cultural and Special Events

Non-profit organizations planning to present arts, cultural and special events between October 1, 2014 and September 30, 2015 have an opportunity to apply for grants from the Department of Cultural Affairs.

**Community Grants Program:** This is a quarterly program for non-profit organizations developing small to medium scale community-based cultural programs, projects and events, such as fairs, parades, neighborhood festivals, conferences and publications.

- First Quarter Thursday, July 3, 2014 at 4 PM
- Second Quarter Thursday, September 4, 2014 at 4 PM
- Third Quarter Thursday, January 8, 2015 at 4 PM
- Fourth Quarter Thursday, March 12, 2015 at 4 PM

**Tourist Development Grants Program:** This is a quarterly program which provides support to significant cultural and/or special events, including sports activities and television/film origination projects that promote Miami-Dade County's appeal as a tourist destination. Activities must be able to stimulate tourism and have significant media impact for Miami-Dade County.

• First Quarter – Thursday, July 14, 2014 at 4 PM

111 NW 1<sup>ST</sup> Street, Suite 625 Miami, FL 33128

- Second Quarter Friday, October 10, 2014 at 4 PM
- Third Quarter Thursday, January 15, 2015 at 4 PM
- Fourth Quarter Thursday, April 16, 2015 at 4 PM

Summer Arts and Science Camps for Kids Grants Program: This annual program helps non-profit organizations provide underserved children in Miami-Dade County with opportunities to attend high quality cultural arts and science summer camp programs at little or no cost. Funding is intended to supplement established, high quality programs, providing more children with the opportunity to participate in cultural arts and science summer camps.

• Friday, October 3, 2014 at 4:00 PM

## **Pre-Grant Submission Workshops / Consultations:**

The Department offers an ongoing series of training workshops on the basics of utilizing Culture Grants Online (CGO), the Department's online grant system. All first-time applicant organizations are required to attend a **CGO Basics Workshop** if they wish to apply a summer or fall grant program. Additionally, applicants of these programs are required to attend a mandatory **Grant Program-Specific Workshop**.

For the complete **CGO Basics Workshop** schedule, visit <u>www.miamidadearts.org</u>, click *Grants / Online Grants.* **Grant Program-Specific Workshop** dates and times can be found on the grant program's information page. The workshops are held at the Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs, located at 111 NW 1st Street, at the 6th Floor Conference Room.

For more information about the Department of Cultural Affairs and its programs, please visit <u>www.miamidadearts.org</u>. Grant funding for FY 2014-2015 is contingent upon the approval of Miami-Dade County's FY 2014-2015 budget by the Mayor and Board of County Commissioners.

It is the policy of Miami-Dade County to comply with all of the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. To request materials in accessible format, sign language interpreters, and/or any accommodation to participate in any Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs program or meeting, please contact Francine Andersen at 305-375-4634 <u>culture@miamidade.gov</u> at least five days in advance to initiate your request. TTY users may also call 711 (Florida Relay Service).

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The Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs and the Cultural Affairs Council develop cultural excellence, diversity and participation throughout Miami-Dade County by strategically creating and promoting opportunities for artists and cultural organizations, and our residents and visitors who are their audiences. The Department directs the Art in Public Places program and serves its board, the Art in Public Places Trust, commissioning, curating, maintaining and promoting the County's art collection. The Department also manages, programs and operates the South Miami-Dade Cultural Arts Center, a campus of state-of-the-art cultural facilities in Cutler Bay, as well as Miami-Dade County Auditorium, Joseph Caleb Auditorium and the African Heritage Cultural Arts Center, all dedicated to presenting and

### MIAMI-DADE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS

111 NW 1<sup>ST</sup> Street, Suite 625 Miami, FL 33128 supporting excellence in the arts for the entire community. Through staff, board and programmatic resources, the Department, the Council and the Trust promote, coordinate and support Miami-Dade County's more than 1,000 not-for-profit cultural organizations as well as thousands of resident artists through grants, technical assistance, public information and interactive community planning. The Department receives funding through the Miami-Dade County Mayor and Board of County Commissioners, The Children's Trust, the National Endowment for the Arts, the State of Florida through the Florida Department of State, Division of Cultural Affairs and the Florida Council on Arts and Culture, and the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation. Other support and services are provided by TicketWeb for the Culture Shock Miami program, the Greater Miami Convention and Visitors Bureau, the South Florida Cultural Consortium and the Tourist Development Council.