

LANGSTON HUGHES FACILITY GRANT FAQ

Eligibility

1. If I've received funding from the Office of Arts & Culture, may I apply?

Yes. Other funding from the Office of Arts & Culture may be use for this particular Grant.

2. If I've been awarded the LHPAI Facility Grant before, may I apply?

Yes, but your chances of funding decrease if you have already received an award through the LHPAI Facility Grant program once before. Applicants who have already submitted successful applications through LHPAI Facility Grant are highly encouraged to seek out other funding opportunities available to them through our office and elsewhere.

3. I'm under the age of 18. May I apply?

Yes. We are happy to receive project ideas from young people! But you will need an adult who can sign the contracts on your behalf.

4. What if my group is based outside of Seattle?

If you are based outside of the greater Seattle area, you are **NOT** eligible to apply, even if your project will benefit Seattle residents.

Project

1. Are all criteria for funding weighed equally?

Yes. Projects will be evaluated based on the following criteria: **audience expansion**, **LHPAI Goals**, **community impact**, **artistic potential**, **public access** and **feasibility**. Descriptions of these key criteria can be found in the **LHPAI Facility Grant guidelines**. Priority consideration will be given to projects that serve or represent underserved communities.

2. What is the Mission of Langston Hughes Performing Arts Institute?

The Langston Hughes Performing Arts Institute (LHPAI) celebrates, nurtures, presents and preserves African American and Diaspora performing arts and cultural legacies. LHPAI provides a continual opportunity for all citizens of Seattle, from various walks of life and diverse backgrounds to experience and engage in these performing arts.

3. What do you mean by underserved community?

Any community that might not have as much access to cultural opportunities due to age, geography, race, physical differences, income or other barriers. The more you can demonstrate why the communities you represent or plan to target are underserved and how your project will benefit those communities, the more competitive your application will be.

4. How do you describe a Public Event?

A public event is open to the general public and advertised in an attempt to draw in a diverse audience.

Applying

1. Whose contact information should be listed in the grant?

Please provide contact information for the person who can best represent the project and take responsibility for making sure the project is completed and paperwork is submitted.

2. Who is considered the "Authorized Representative"?

The Authorized Representative needs to be someone who is legally able to sign for the individual or entity associated with application.

3. Do I have to have a business license to apply?

4. What happens if my project is approved for less time than I requested?

Discuss this with the Events Coordinator. We know you may need to make changes. We will provide you with an estimate of the facilities costs for the remainder time. If the project cannot be adjusted to work with the approved amount of time and you are unable to fund the additional cost, you may decline the award.

5. May I apply again?

You may be funded once per year through the LHPAI Facility Grant program. If you are selected, you may apply again for a LHPAI Facility Grant 12 months from your selected project end date.

If your application is not selected, you may continue to submit applications to the program as often as you like.

Questions or to discuss applying

Contact langston.institute@seattle.gov or (206) 684-4758 to get started.