



2008 ARTS-IN-THE-CLASSROOM MINI-GRANTS FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2008-2009

GUIDELINES

PURPOSE

The Ventura County Arts Council Arts-in-the-Classroom Mini-Grant Program was established to provide a source of support for the **elementary** schools to partner with local arts organizations and artists to bring standards based arts into classroom. This round of mini-grants will be awarded in the spring of 2008 to be used during the 2008-2009 school year.

ELIGIBILITY

Ventura County Arts Council Arts-in-the-Classroom mini-grants are available to Ventura County **elementary** schools that partner with a **VCAC artist or arts organization members***. All programs must adhere to the guiding principles contained in the *Visual and Performing Arts Framework and the Content Standards for California Public Schools, Kindergarten Through Grade Twelve* which is downloadable at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/shsd/arts/standards>. All arts disciplines will be considered. Only one application per school will be funded.

Ventura County Arts Council Arts-in-the-Classroom mini-grant funds can be used to pay for artist fees and art supplies. Projects will be selected on the criterion of learning experiences structured by the California Arts Content Standards, utilization of local artist resources and ongoing learning that uses this project as a springboard for continuing arts education and/or integration with other content areas.

Study after study has concluded that students benefit from an education that includes the arts as part of the core curriculum. Arts education encourages creative thinking, team problem solving, risk taking, and excellence as the standard, all of which are essential to job preparedness for the information age.

Match: The Ventura County Arts Council's Arts-in-the-Classroom mini-grants of \$300 to \$500 are intended to be seed money which is to be matched dollar-for-dollar with new money by the schools. In-kind is not acceptable as a match.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

Interested **elementary** schools and their arts provider should complete the attached form and submit it by 5:00pm Wednesday, April 10, 2008.

Mail or hand deliver completed applications to the Ventura County Arts Council, 646 County Square Drive, Suite 154, Ventura, CA 93003-0436. Late or incomplete applications will be returned without being reviewed. Applicants will be notified by mail after the Review Panel has made its decision.

Questions should be directed to the Ventura County Arts Council at (805) 658-2213 or info@venturacountyarts.net

* **VCAC Membership:** Membership information is available at www.venturacountyarts.net

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VENTURA COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL

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(To be typed as one document of no more than three pages, plus attachments)

Date of Application: _____

SCHOOL INFORMATION

School _____ School District _____

Address/City/Zip _____

Telephone _____ Fax _____ E-mail _____

Web Site _____

Principal _____ Telephone _____

Grant Contact Name _____ Title _____ Telephone _____

ARTS PROVIDER ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Name of Organization _____

Address/City/Zip _____

Telephone _____ Fax _____ E-mail _____

Web Site _____ VCAC Member? _____

Director _____ Telephone _____ E-mail _____

Grant Contact Name _____ Title _____ Telephone _____

Program Title _____

Program Dates _____

Amount Requested _____

Source of 1:1 match _____

State the school and/or district policy regarding classroom student learning in the arts (75 words or less).

- Describe the artist/organization's primary mission. (50 words or less)
- Give a brief history of the artist/organization's work with schools (50 words or less)

PROGRAM/PROJECT DESCRIPTION

- For which arts discipline is this project the best fit
___ Visual ___ Theatre ___ Dance ___ Music ___ Literary
- Program/Project Description—Include how arts learning will continue after working with the artist/group and any arts integration planned with other content areas (150 words or less)
- Visual and Performing Arts Standards learned or reviewed during this Program/Project
- Population served (number of students, geographic area, ethnicities)

Educational need served by project

- Projected measurable outcomes

Methods of evaluation

PROGRAM/PROJECT BUDGET

List total project costs and indicate which costs are being proposed for VCAC Arts-in-the-Classroom Mini-Grant funding.

PERSONNEL	TOTAL COST	VCAC GRANT	MATCH
Artist Fees			
SUPPLIES			
OTHER COSTS			
GRAND TOTAL			

Signature of Principal

Signature of Organization Director

Date

Date

ATTACHMENTS

- Copy of arts organizations 501(c)(3), if applicable
- Names and qualifications of artists and administrators of program/project
- Organization brochure