**Rural Arts Access Grant Evaluation Criteria**

The Wyoming Arts Council’s Rural Arts Access Grant distributes financial support on a “fund/no fund” model using the following evaluation criteria. If an applicant meets the following criteria the grant will be awarded until all funding for the grant category is expended. Applicants are encouraged to apply early.

**Project Description**

* Describe the arts project in detail including what the artist(s) will be doing, who will be participating, and how the project will be of high artistic merit.
* Identify artists, art professionals, or others who will be involved, and explain what their role will be.
* If this event is part of a multi-event program, focus on the artistic elements of the program. List a schedule/timeline for each event.

**Evaluation Criteria**

* Is the arts project clearly outlined, including what the artist(s) will be doing, who will be participating, and how the project will be of high artistic merit?
* Have the artists, art professionals, or others who will be involved been identified, as well as what their role will be? Are they relevant to the proposed project?
* If this event is part of a multi-event program, have they focused on the artistic elements of the program, and listed a schedule/timeline for each event?

**Community/Audience**

* Identify the targeted rural community and audience, and list the number of participants expected.

**Evaluation Criteria**

* Has the targeted rural community and audience been clearly identified, and the number of expected participants listed?

**Evaluation**

* How will you evaluate and measure outcomes of the programs and services provided?

**Evaluation Criteria**

* Are there clear and specific plans for outcome measurement, documentation, and evaluation of programs and services?
* Is there a clear plan for assessing the impact of programs and services in relation to organizational goals?

**Accessibility**

* How does your organization specifically make the arts accessible for people with mental and physical disabilities, older adults, veterans, and people living in institutions who wish to attend or participate in the programs and services offered?

**Evaluation Criteria**

* Does the applicant clearly describe how they will make the arts accessible for people with mental and physical disabilities, older adults, veterans and people living in institutions who wish to attend or participate in the programs and services offered?

**Budget**

* The Wyoming Arts Council’s Rural Arts Access Grant provides eligible organizations $750 for arts projects, programs, and services. It is specifically designed to give access to geographically isolated and rural communities with populations under 3,000.

**Evaluation Criteria**

* Do the income and expenses totals match?