

## Southborough Cultural Arts Council LCC Grant Funding Information

Thank you for your interest in applying for a Local Cultural Council Grant funded by the Massachusetts Cultural Council. Applications must be postmarked by October 15<sup>th</sup> and mailed to "Southborough Cultural Arts Council, Southborough Town House, 17 Common Street, Southborough"

Additional information may be found at: www.massculturalcouncil.org

## Philosophy Criteria

Five basic criteria are determined by the MCC as program requirements:

- 1. Funds are to be used for arts, humanities, and interpretive sciences only;
- 2. There must be a public benefit;
- 3. Funds must not be used to substitute for or replace existing publicly funded programs;
- 4. Funds are not to be used as the sole means of support for projects of a continuing nature;
- 5. Applicants may not be discriminated against on the basis of race, gender, religion, creed, color, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, or age.

## **Local Priorities**

The Southborough Cultural Arts Council priorities include:

- 1. Funding for the Southborough Cultural Arts Council itself for programs at the Arts Center.
- 2. Funding for the Southborough Cultural Arts Council itself to provide programs in the arts, humanities, and interpretive sciences to the community.
- 3. Funding for programs to be held in Southborough and immediately surrounding communities.
- 4. Funding for individuals and organizations from Southborough and immediately surrounding communities.
- 5. Funding to encourage projects in under-represented cultural disciplines.
- 6. Funding to programs that demonstrate community support.
- 7. Overall: Funds from the Massachusetts Cultural Council should serve the largest possible number of people in the community with a diversity of programs.

## **Local Policies**

The Southborough Cultural Arts Council will adhere to the following funding policies.

- 1. If the applicant's project involves another institution or organization, a letter of agreement from that institution's or organization's representative must be submitted with the application. Applications that indicate only that the project is available to any interested organization will not be considered.
- 2. Applicants must specify the venue for the performance or project in the application.
- 3. Applicants submitting multiple applications should prioritize their applications.

