

Building Resiliency | Adapting to Change Application

A program of Arts Midwest in collaboration with the Iowa Arts Council, the South Dakota Arts Council, and the North Dakota Council on the Arts

1. Eligibility: *(check all that apply)*

- I am affiliated with a nonprofit 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization with arts and culture as primary mission
- I work in Iowa, North Dakota or South Dakota;
- I am affiliated with an organization that has actively provided arts programming for three or more consecutive years;
- The organization I am affiliated with has two-year qualifying expenses, averaged over fiscal years 2013 and 2014, of between \$25,000 and \$400,000;
- I am affiliated with an organization with one full or part-time equivalent paid staff person, or in the case of an organization serving a rural constituency, a key staff leadership position, paid or unpaid.

2. Artistic Purpose: Discuss the Organization's mission, artistic purpose and major programs and accomplishments. What is your vision for the development of your artistic work and for sustaining relationships with artists? (300 words or less)

3. Cultural Agility: We seek involvement from organizations that tap into the power of arts and culture to increase equity, inclusion and representation; that assist bridging worldviews, geography, age or cultural frames. Discuss your achievements over that past two years that demonstrate your commitment to bridge cultural differences. (300 words or less)

4. Role in Community: Describe demographically the primary community that you serve, the support you receive from that community, and your impact on that community. How do you strive to strengthen your presence within the community? (300 words or less)

5. Readiness to Engage: Share why the staff and Board feel that it is appropriate at this time in the life of your organization to engage in a significant, multi-session capacity-building and peer learning program. (300 words or less)

Please submit your completed application to the South Dakota Arts Council, 711 E Wells Avenue, Pierre, SD 57501, or sdac@state.sd.us Applications are due by February 23, 2015.