

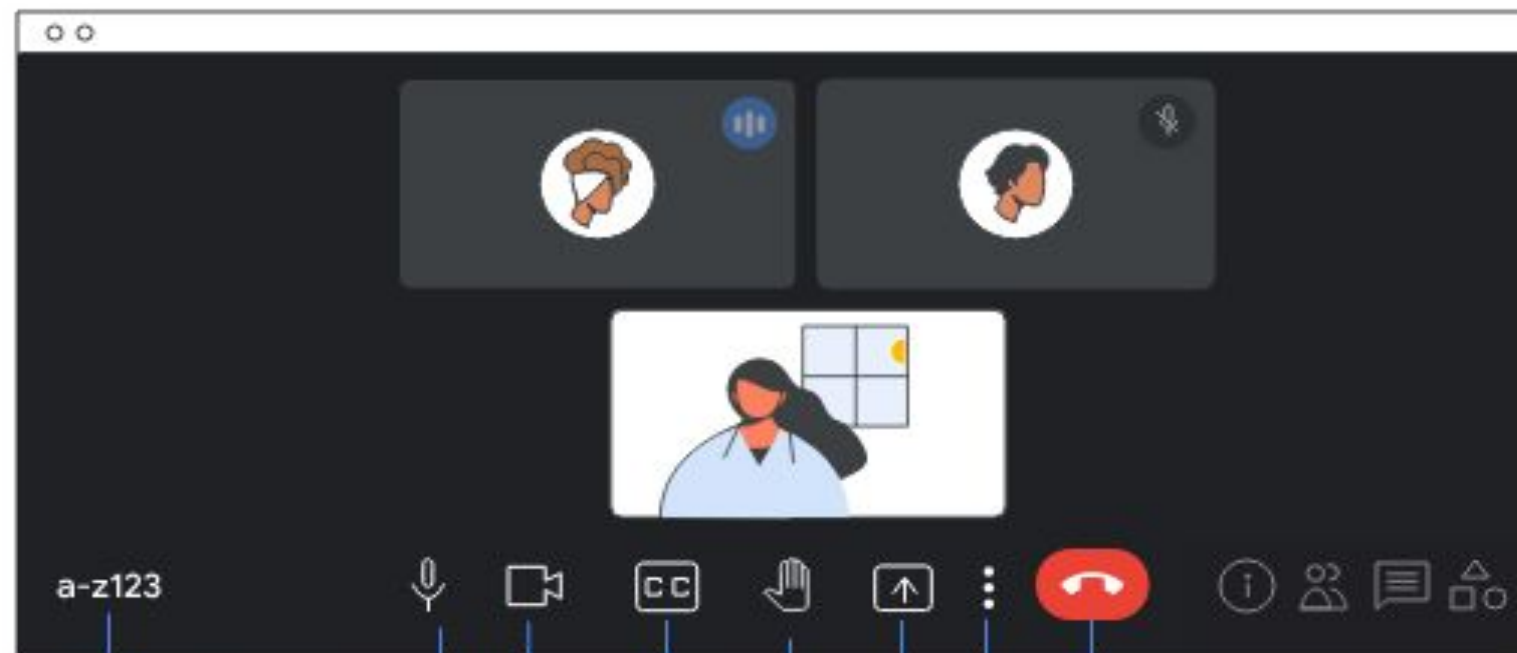


**Public Art Across Maryland  
New Artworks &  
Conservation Grants  
Quarter 3 Panel Meeting**

**March 17, 2022  
9:00 - 11:00 AM**

*Panelists, please log in to Smart Simple at this time.*

# Reference Shot of Features



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Meeting code

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# Introductions

# Equity and Justice

The arts celebrate our state's diversity, connect our shared humanity, and transform individuals and communities. The Maryland State Arts Council (MSAC) and its supporting collaborators are committed to advancing and modeling equity, diversity, accessibility, and inclusion in all aspects of our organizations and across communities of our state.

MSAC and its grantees are committed to embracing equity and non-discrimination regardless of race, religious creed, color, age, gender expression, sexual orientation, class, language, and/or ability.

## Land Acknowledgement Statement

We acknowledge the lands and waters now known as Maryland are the home of its first peoples: the Accohannock Indian Tribe, Assateague People's Tribe, Cedarville Band of Piscataway Indians, Choptico Band of Indians, Lenape Tribe, Nanticoke Tribe, Nause-Waiwash Band of Indians, Piscataway Conoy Tribe, Piscataway Indian Nation, Pocomoke Indian Nation, Susquehannock Indians, Youghiogheny River Band of Shawnee, and tribes in the Chesapeake watershed who have seemingly vanished since the coming of colonialism. We acknowledge that this land is now home to other tribal peoples living here in diaspora. We acknowledge the forced removal of many from the lands and waterways that nurtured them as kin. We acknowledge the degradation that continues to be wrought on the land and waters in pursuit of resources. We acknowledge the right of the land and waterways to heal so that they can continue to provide food and medicine for all. We acknowledge that it is our collective obligation to pursue policies and practices that respect the land and waters so that our reciprocal relationship with them can be fully restored.



## **Vision**

*The Maryland State Arts Council plays an essential role ensuring every person has access to the transformative power of the arts.*

## **Mission**

*Maryland State Arts Council advances the arts in our state by providing leadership that champions creative expression, diverse programming, equitable access, lifelong learning, and the arts as a celebrated contributor to the quality of life for all the people of Maryland.*



**Goal 1. Increase Participation:** Broaden MSAC's constituency, providing avenues designed to increase pathways to engagement

**Goal 2. Provide Intentional Support:** Embrace thoughtful and targeted approaches to serving known and yet to be known MSAC constituents

**Goal 3. Build Capacity:** Work strategically to further build organizational and governance capacity to ensure that MSAC is capable of vigorously delivering on its mission

**Goal 4. Leverage Connections:** Further enhance current relationships and involve additional partners, collaborators, and constituents who will benefit from and advance the work of MSAC

**Goal 5. Bolster Maryland Arts:** Showcase the high caliber, diverse and relevant work of Maryland's artists and arts organizations; their contributions to community vitality and MSAC's role as a catalyst

# Creative Meeting Actions

**Celebrate** being in the space with other creative people.

**Engage** with everyone's presence as a gift.

**Acknowledge** that together we know a lot.

**Enter** the conversation with curiosity and inquiry.

**Share** your idea and trust that it will be heard.

**Use** "I" statements.

**Focus** your language on the task at hand.

**Hold** one another accountable with care.

**Apply** "Yes, and!" - "I hear your idea and I'm going to add to it!"

**Balance** speaking and listening.





# EQUITY: Impact vs. Grant Writing

The application is meant to inspire authentic reflection and internal analysis for each applying organization, with the knowledge that the Maryland State Arts Council is to be seen and utilized as a collaborative partner in the process.

One aspect of the partnership is to guide panelists to see beyond the “polish” of grant writing that may be inequitably influenced by the privilege of resources (financial, educational, etc...) and, instead, focus upon the impact of the applicant.

# EQUITY: Impact vs. Grant Writing

The driving goals of this vision for the granting processes connect to the application in the following ways:

- To acknowledge positions of privilege while questioning practices, shifting paradigms of status quo arts activities, and taking more risks.
- To yield a greater variety of funded projects.
- To eliminate biases that may be found in any part of the granting process (i.e. - applications, panelist procedures, adjudication systems).
- To expand the deliberations about rigor beyond current conventions or Western traditions.
- To aspire to make investments that contribute to social change and demonstrate aesthetic excellence in terms relevant to context and intent.

# Responses as Recommendations

"Minimal information is provided about the applicant's plan for community engagement."

*Becomes*

"I would recommend that the applicant include a detailed plan for community engagement in the planning process."

# Goals for today's meeting

- Review 11 grant applications from across the state
- Make recommendations for grant awards totalling approximately \$169,172

# Panel Meeting Structure

The goal is for each nomination to be discussed within a six minute window in which the following will occur. *Timing is subject to change.*

- The average initial score for the grant application is projected
- 2 minutes: Lead reader introduces the grant in connection to the rubric
- 4 minutes: Additional discussion by all panelists if needed that may affect the grant score
- 1 minute: Any additional comments from public art staff
- 2 minutes: Final scoring submission in SmartSimple and averaging of panelists scores and presenting the final score

# Test Application

## New Artworks Planning Application: 2022-14229 Independent Artist

- Average Score: %



# Conservation Project Grant:

## Application: 2022-14765

### Prince George's Arts & Humanities Council

Lead Reader: Brendan

- Average Initial Score: 92.1%
- Average Final Score: 95%



# Conservation Project Grant: Application: 2022-14799 City of Rockville

Lead Reader: Elizabeth

- Average Initial Score: 83.6%
- Average Final Score: 79.9%



# New Artworks Grants



# **New Artworks Project:** **Application: 2022-14749** **Cambridge Community Arts Foundation**

Lead Reader: Kerry

- Average Initial Score: 95.4%
- Average Final Score: 96.2%



# **New Artworks Project:** **Application: 2022-14600** **Our Time Kitchen**

Lead Reader: Tomorra

- Average Initial Score: 91.5%
- Average Final Score: 95.2%



# **New Artworks Project:** **Application: 2022-14817** **Frederick Arts Council**

Lead Reader: Brian

- Average Initial Score: 88.7%
- Average Final Score: 82.4%



# **New Artworks Project:**

# **Application: 2022-14778**

# **Town of Upper Marlboro**

Lead Reader: Susan

- Average Initial Score: 95.7%
- Average Final Score: 95.7%



# **New Artworks Planning:** **Application: 2022-14497** **Baltimore County Arts Guild**

Lead Reader: Dustin

- Average Initial Score: 80.2%
- Average Final Score: 88.3%



# **New Artworks Planning:** **Application: 2020-14738** **Historic Frostburg**

Lead Reader: Kerry

- Average Initial Score: 99.0%
- Average Final Score: 100%



# **New Artworks Planning:**

## **Application: 2022-14766**

### **David Eassa**

Lead Reader: Brian

- Average Initial Score: 77.9%
- Average Final Score: 74%





# **New Artworks Planning:** **Application: 2022-14821** **Operation Arts Foundation Inc.**

Lead Reader: Tomora

- Average Initial Score: 97.4%
- Average Final Score: 99%



# **New Artworks Planning:**

## **Application: 2022-14825**

### **Prince George's Arts & Humanities Council**

Lead Reader: Susan

- Average Initial Score: 89.5%
- Average Final Score: 90.5%



# Invoices

Rosa Chang will email individual invoices for PAAM Quarter 3 panelist fee payments

# Reflection