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MIAMI-DADE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS ANNOUNCES GRANTS PROGRAM DEADLINES FOR THE 2014-2015 SPRING CYCLE

Schedule of Culture Grants Online (CGO) & Grant-Specific Workshops Available

(Miami – January 27, 2014) The Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs is pleased to announce the deadline schedule for the fiscal year 2014-2015 spring cycle of arts and cultural grants programs available to Miami-Dade County based non-profit cultural groups. Guidelines containing information regarding eligibility requirements, funding requests and other detailed program criteria can be downloaded at www.miamidadearts.org by clicking Grant guidelines can also be requested in-person person by calling the Department of Cultural Affairs at (305) 375-4634, or by email at culture@miamidade.gov.

2014-2015 DEADLINES FOR SPRING CYCLES

ANNUAL OPERATING SUPPORT PROGRAMS

- Major Cultural Institutions Grants Program (MCI) February 12, 2014
- Cultural Advancement Grants Program (ADV) March 20, 2014
- Festivals and Special Events Grants Program (FEST) April 25, 2014
- Hannibal Cox, Jr. Cultural Grants Program (HCJ) March 13, 2014
- Developing Arts in Neighborhoods Grants Program (DAN) May 15, 2014

YOUTH ARTS PROGRAMS

- Youth Arts Miami Grants Program (YAM) February 28, 2014
- Youth Arts Enrichment Grants Program (YEP) April 1, 2014

CULTURAL FACILITIES PROGRAMS

Capital Development Grants Program (CAP) – March 18, 2014

OUTREACH PROGRAMS

- Audience Access Grants Program (AUD) Ongoing
- International Cultural Exchange (ICE) March 3, 2014

PRE-GRANT SUBMISSION WORKSHOPS/CONSULTATIONS:

The Department offers an ongoing series of training workshops on the basics of utilizing Culture Grants Online (CGO), the Department's online grant system. All first-time applicant organizations are required to attend a CGO Basics workshop if they wish to apply a spring grant program.

For the complete CGO Basics workshop schedule, visit www.miamidadearts.org, click Grants. To RSVP for a CGO Basics workshop, visit http://bit.ly/19XqaMn. The workshops are held at the Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs, located at 111 NW 1st Street, at the 6th Floor Conference Room.

Additionally, applicant organizations are required to contact the grant program administrator for a pre-application consultation and/or attend the program's corresponding workshop (if applicable). Pre-grant submission requirements for each program can be found on the program's information page at www.miamidadearts.org by clicking Grants/Online Grants/Organizations.

For more information about the Department of Cultural Affairs and its programs, please visit www.miamidadearts.org. Grant funding for FY 2014-2015 is contingent upon the approval of Miami-Dade County's FY 2014-2015 budget by the Mayor and Board of County Commissioners.

It is the policy of Miami-Dade County to comply with all of the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. To request materials in accessible format, sign language interpreters, and/or any accommodation to participate in any Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs program or meeting, please contact Francine Andersen at 305-375-4634 culture@miamidade.gov at least five days in advance to initiate your request. TTY users may also call 711 (Florida Relay Service).

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The Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs and the Cultural Affairs Council develop cultural excellence, diversity and participation throughout Miami-Dade County by strategically creating and promoting opportunities for artists and cultural organizations, and our residents and visitors who are their audiences. The Department directs the Art in Public Places program and serves its board, the Art in Public Places Trust, commissioning, curating, maintaining and promoting the County's art collection. The Department also manages, programs and operates the South Miami-Dade Cultural Arts Center, a campus of state-of-the-art cultural facilities in Cutler Bay, as well as Miami-Dade County Auditorium, Joseph Caleb Auditorium and the African Heritage Cultural Arts Center, all dedicated to presenting and supporting excellence in the arts for the entire community. Through staff, board and programmatic resources, the Department, the Council and the Trust promote, coordinate and support Miami-Dade County's more than 1,000 not-for-profit cultural organizations as well as thousands of resident artists through grants, technical assistance, public information and interactive community planning. The Department receives funding through the Miami-Dade County Mayor and Board of County Commissioners, The Children's Trust, the National Endowment for the Arts, the State of Florida through the Florida Department of State, Division of Cultural Affairs and the Florida Council on Arts and Culture, and the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation. Other support and services are provided by TicketWeb for the Culture Shock Miami program, the Greater Miami Convention and Visitors Bureau, the South Florida Cultural Consortium and the Tourist Development Council.