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MIAMI-DADE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS OFFERS FREE WORKSHOPS FOR GRANT SEEKERS

Learn How to Apply for Cultural Grants for Arts Groups and Artists

(Miami – December 7, 2015) The Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs is hosting Meet the County's Grantmakers Workshops, a series of free workshops for artists, cultural and community non-profit organizations to introduce and demystify the County's cultural grant programs. Starting on December 15, 2015, the Department of Cultural Affairs' grants team will provide detailed information about the competitive funding opportunities and services offered, grant application strategies and best practices and share helpful resources available for the cultural community.

The Miami-Dade County's Office of Management and Budget, Grants Coordination Division will also share important information regarding other grant opportunities available through the County, highlight the County's Grants Website, and discuss grant resources for non-profit organizations.

Who should attend these sessions? Non-profit groups and artists who have never applied for grant funding from Miami-Dade County and non-profit groups that have received grant funding but wish to expand and learn more about the programs that are available, specifically to support arts and cultural activities.

The workshop sessions are being offered free-of-charge but registration is required.

Meet the County's Grantmakers Workshop Schedule

Tuesday, December 15, 2015 at 10 AM Frost Museum / FIU 10975 SW 17th Street Miami, FL 33199 Register - <u>http://bit.ly/1lp7gPp</u>

Tuesday, January 19, 2016 at 10 AM Arts Ballet Theatre 15939 Biscayne Blvd North Miami Beach, FL 33160 Register - <u>http://bit.ly/1lp7gPp</u> Wednesday, January 27, 2016 at 3PM African Heritage Cultural Arts Center 6161 NW 22nd Ave Miami, FL 33142 Register - <u>http://bit.ly/1lp7gPp</u>

Organizations and artists not able to attend the workshops are encouraged to visit <u>www.miamidadearts.org</u> to access the cultural grant programs guidelines and applications.

For more information about the Office of Management and Budget, Grants Coordination Division, please visit <u>http://www.miamidadearts.org/organizations/grants-organizations</u>.

For more information on the Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs and its programs please visit <u>www.miamidadearts.org</u>. To register for any of the "Meet Miami-Dade County's Grantmakers" sessions please visit <u>www.miamidadearts.org</u> or call (305) 375-4634.

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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.

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