

MWBC 2024 Creative Capital Microgrant Artist Application

The Creative Capital Microgrant Program offers a financial grant up to \$1,000 to qualified, underrepresented artists and makers in Frederick County, Maryland, to fund specific projects that directly impact revenue and can utilize traditional business practices that can be repeated for ongoing growth.

The Creative Industry is generally defined to include arts, crafts, wood working, jewelry, fibers and fashion, photography, videography, film, podcasting, visual effects, animation, virtual reality, music, performing arts, and dance. If you have any questions about this program, please email Karen@MarylandWBC.org.

Please note: You cannot save this application and return to it. You must complete it in full once you begin.

*Questions with * are required.*

Q1. Email*

Q2. How did you hear about the Creative Capital Microgrant Program?*

- MWBC Email
- MWBC Website
- Social Media (Instagram, Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter)
- Marketing Brochure
- Frederick County Office of Economic Development
- Referral; Word of Mouth
- Other...

Q3. First and Last Name*

Q4. Business Name*

Q5a. Is your business registered with the state of Maryland as a corporation, LLC, or DBA/sole proprietor?*

- Yes
- No

Q5b. Is your business in good standing with the state of Maryland? Click here to check your business status.*

- Yes
- No

Q6. If you answered "yes" to questions 5a & 5b and your business name is different than what you answered in question 4, please provide the name that your business is registered under.

Q7. Full Business Address. *NOTE: Your business must be located in Frederick County to be eligible.**

Q8. Full Personal Address.*

Q9. Phone Number*

Q10. Identity Group (choose one or more):*

- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Asian American
- Black or African American
- Biracial
- Hispanic or Latino
- LGBTQIA+
- Middle Eastern
- Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
- Person of Color
- Person with Disabilities
- Woman

Q11. Age Range.*

- 18-29
- 30-39
- 40-49
- 50-64
- 65+

Q12. What was the 2023 gross revenue from your artistic work associated with the applicant business? *NOTE: Gross revenue from artistic work must not exceed \$55,000 to qualify for microgrant.**

Q13. Please share links to samples of your artistic work. Indicate social media handles, websites, online shop, and/or any links to a portfolio or reel. Or, you may submit separate documents as attachments (see below).

If applicable, please upload attachments that showcase your artistic work.

Q14. Artist Bio/Artist Statement (2500 character limit)*

Q15. Description of Proposed Project. (2500 character limit)*

Q16a. Start date of proposed project. *NOTE: Start date must be within February to June 2024.**

Q16b. End date of proposed project. *NOTE: End date must be within 3 months of start date. Reimbursement will occur within 15 days after project is complete and documentation is submitted.**

Q17. Reason why you want this grant. (2500 character limit)*

Q18. Total expected cost of project.*

Q19. Grant request amount. *NOTE: Maximum request is \$1,000.**

Q20. Please attach a list of any vendors and/or suppliers that will be utilized for this project, along with their price estimates.

Q21. Expected financial return on investment of project (2500 character limit)*

Q22. Please list expected learning outcomes. Are they repeatable for future projects? (2500 character limit)*

Optional File Upload: Business Plan

By checking "Yes" below, you acknowledge and accept ALL of the following terms and conditions:

- *I have read the terms and conditions outlined in the marketing brochure.*
- *I will consent to sharing revenue and profit information when requested by MWBC.*
- *I will attend at least one of the offered Creative Industry training classes offered by the MWBC between February and June 2024.*

- *I will meet at least twice with a MWBC consultant between February and June 2024.*
- *I understand that upon successful conclusion of the proposed project and the submission of appropriate supporting documentation (receipts, paid invoices, etc.) pertaining to eligible project contributions, the disbursement of funds will be processed by the MWBC within fifteen (15) days.*

If selected as a grant recipient, I understand I will be required to submit a W9 form in order to receive the funding. MWBC will complete and send each grant recipient a 1099 tax form.

- Yes
- No