

Grant Applications Now Open for Tokyo Cultural Programs

2nd Term of FY2018 Tokyo Tokyo FESTIVAL Grant

Open from August 20 to September 30, 2018

(Tokyo) August 20 2018- Arts Council Tokyo (Tokyo Metropolitan Foundation for History and Culture) announces that the applications for the 2nd Term of the FY2018 Tokyo Tokyo FESTIVAL Grant opens from August 20, 2018.

The Tokyo Metropolitan Government and Arts Council Tokyo (ACT) are carrying out various Cultural Programs ahead of Tokyo 2020. Tokyo is expected to attract most attention domestically and internationally for the 6-month period starting April 2020, and the series of Cultural Programs held during this time will collectively be named “**Tokyo Tokyo FESTIVAL**”. This aims to generate wide opportunities for the citizens to engage with Cultural Programs and pass down the legacy to future generations. As part of this effort, **Tokyo Tokyo FESTIVAL Grant** (formerly known as Tokyo Cultural Program Grant) will provide support to variety of projects delivered by cultural/artistic organizations, private institutions and corporates to build on the momentum of 2020 and promote Tokyo as a city of artistic/cultural attractions. Selected projects shall be positioned as part of the Cultural Programs leading up to 2020.

FY2018 Tokyo Tokyo FESTIVAL Grant (2nd Term) Outline

ACT will support organizations which deliver artistic/cultural activities that are grounded in the objectives of the cultural programs led by the Tokyo Metropolitan Government*.

■ Eligible Applicants

Applicants should be organizations based (have an address) in Japan. Overseas organizations are required to collaborate with local partners. Individuals are ineligible.

■ Eligible Art Forms and Disciplines

Music, play, dance, visual arts, photography, literature, media art (video, comic, animation, game, etc.), traditional arts, performing art, lifestyles and culture (tea ceremony, flower arrangement, calligraphy, food etc.), fashion, architecture, any other form of art/collaboration across these artforms and disciplines etc. Combined form of various artistic activities (such as festivals) are also accepted.

■ Grant Categories

The grants are divided into 4 categories. Applicants may choose multiple categories. Please note that projects may be selected as categories differing from which specified by the applicants.

Projects to Foster Momentum	Topical and festive projects to build momentum leading up to 2020.
Citizen-Led Cultural Activities	Grass-root, independent activities by the citizens of Tokyo.
Overseas Artistic Creation in Tokyo	Presentation of new works in Tokyo by artists residing abroad
Projects offering Vision for the Future	Projects that shows creative ambition leveraging art and science.

■ Funding

Up to **JPY 20,000,000**

1/4 of the eligible cost will be covered for the Project to Foster Momentum and 1/2 will be covered for other categories

■ Project Location

Tokyo

■ Project Period

Projects starting after December 2018 and ending before September 2020

■ Submission Deadline **Sunday, September 30, 2018**

ACT will continue offering Tokyo Tokyo FESTIVAL Grant twice a year until 2020. 1st term application for FY2019 is scheduled to open in January 2019.

【Eligible Projects and Selection Criteria per Category】

	I : Project to Foster Momentum	II : Citizen-Led Cultural Activities	III : Overseas Artistic Creation in Tokyo	IV : Projects offering Vision for the Future
Terms of Grants	Maximum JPY 20,000,000 per project			
	1/4 of the eligible cost	1/2 of the eligible cost		
Projects	Topical and festive projects to build momentum leading up to 2020.	Grassroots, independent activities by the citizens of Tokyo.	Presentation of new works in Tokyo by artists residing abroad	Projects that shows creative ambition leveraging art and science.
Criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Widely promote and engage with citizens to attract new audiences for artistic and cultural activity. Feature new aspects which are grounded in the objectives of the cultural programs. Implementation system to be established, budget plans and management to be strong, and the project to be realistic. 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Impact and appeal Potential and inheritability Innovativeness and creativeness 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proactive involvement of the citizens Inclusivity and broadness Originality and challenge 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Innovativeness and creativeness Internationality Impact and appeal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Innovativeness and creativeness Potential Impact and appeal

【Briefing Sessions (non-obligatory)】 *Advance registration required.

Dates: ①Wednesday, September 5, 16:00-17:00 or ②Friday, September 7, 16:00-17:00

Place: Arts Council Tokyo

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Please refer to the application guideline (English summary) for details. Guidelines and forms (available in Japanese only) can be downloaded from the following website.

www.artscouncil-tokyo.jp

*Objectives of the cultural programs led by the Tokyo Metropolitan Government

Offer the best cultural programs in history in accordance with the Olympic spirit and pass down cultural legacies beyond 2020 and to achieve Tokyo being the top cultural city in the world

- Introduce Tokyo culture with originality and diversity including the coexistence of tradition and modernity to the world and proactively promote international artistic/cultural exchanges
- Generate opportunities for participation and exchanges among all people including the disabled, the elderly, children, and people from other countries
- Encourage artistic/cultural activities with new concepts and develop human resources for the next generation
- Generate a city-wide festive mood for arts and culture
- Unite effort through cooperation with the national government, other local authorities, artistic/cultural groups, and others

About Arts Council Tokyo

ACT develops a variety of programs to encourage the creation and dissemination of arts and culture and to promote Tokyo as an international city of artistic and cultural attractions.

In order to improve the infrastructure and environment for new artistic and cultural creation, Arts Council Tokyo plays a key role in Tokyo's cultural policies by implementing programs that explore Tokyo's originality and diversity, promoting international cultural exchange, and providing opportunities for promising young people who engage in a variety of artistic and cultural pursuits. Furthermore, Arts Council Tokyo is conducting projects that will serve as the driving force of the Cultural Program in the run-up to 2020.

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